



CONFERENCE ON  
**Law and Finance**



**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20 and SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2026**

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**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20**  
**NYU STERN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS | M1-70 - GITLOW AMPHITHEATER**

**9:30 A.M.** *REGISTRATION* KAUFMAN MANAGEMENT CENTER LOBBY

*BREAKFAST* M1-100 (GARDNER COMMONS)

**10:10 A.M.** *WELCOME*

**10:15 – 11:15 A.M.** *SESSION I* PRECEDENT TERMS

**David Hoffman**  
University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School

Vincent Buccola  
University of Chicago Law School

*Discussant:*  
**Giorgia Piacentino**  
University of Southern California, Marshall School of Business

**11:15 – 11:30 A.M.** *BREAK*

**11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.** *SESSION II* THE PROXY VOTING CHOICE REVOLUTION

**Dorothy Lund**  
Columbia Law School

Alon Brav  
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University of Florida, Warrington College of Business

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*Discussant:*  
**Nadya Malenko**  
Boston College, Carroll School of Management

<b>12:30 – 1:30 P.M.</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>M1-100 (GARDNER COMMONS)</b>
<b>1:30 -- 2:30 P.M.</b>	<b>SESSION III</b>	<b>HOW TO IMPLEMENT SHAREHOLDER DEMOCRACY</b>
		<b>Luigi Zingales</b> The University of Chicago Booth School of Business
		Oliver Hart Harvard University, Department of Economics
		Helene Landemore Yale University, Department of Political Science
<b>2:30 – 3:30 P.M.</b>	<b>SESSION IV</b>	<b>THE NEW POLITICAL ECONOMY OF DELAWARE CORPORATE LAWMAKING</b>
		<b>Marcel Kahan</b> NYU School of Law
		<b>Edward Rock</b> NYU School of Law
<b>3:30 – 3:45 P.M.</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
<b>3:45 – 4:45 P.M.</b>	<b>SESSION V</b>	<b>REAL EFFECTS OF PERSONAL LIABILITY: EVIDENCE FROM INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION</b>
		<b>Noémie Bucourt</b> Cornell, SC Johnson College of Business

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21**  
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**8:15 A.M.**                    ***BREAKFAST***                    **M1-100 (GARDNER COMMONS)**

**9:00 – 10:00 A.M.**            ***SESSION VI***                    **DEBT STRUCTURE WHEN BANKRUPTCY LAW OFFERS INCENTIVES TO RESTRUCTURE**

**Kose John**  
NYU Stern School of Business

Iftekhar Hasan  
Fordham University, Gabelli School of Business

Padma Kadiyala  
Pace University, Lubin School of Business

Stefano Manfredonia  
Fordham University, Gabelli School of Business

*Discussant:*  
**Anthony Casey**  
University of Chicago Law School

**10:00 – 11:00 A.M.**            ***SESSION VII***                    **PRICE DROP DAMAGES**

**Adriana Robertson**  
University of Chicago Law School

Vincent Buccola  
University of Chicago Law School

*Discussant:*  
**Itay Goldstein**  
The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania

**11:00 – 11:15 A.M.**            ***BREAK***

**11:15 A.M. – 12:15 P.M.**            ***SESSION VIII***                    **TRACING THE IMPACT OF PAYMENT CONVENIENCE ON DEPOSITS: EVIDENCE FROM DEPOSITOR ACTIVENESS**

**Yao Zeng**  
The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania

Xu Lu  
University of Washington, Foster School of Business

Yang Song  
University of Washington, Foster School of Business

*Discussant:*  
**Kathryn Judge**  
Columbia Law School

**12:15 – 12:30 P.M.**            ***CLOSING***

**12:30 P.M.**                    ***LUNCH***                    **M1-100 (GARDNER COMMONS)**