Call for Papers, Panel Proposals, and Roundtable Discussions

5th Annual Law and Antisemitism Conference Monday, March 9, 2026 | Cardozo Law School

Conference Overview

The Law and Antisemitism Conference is an annual academic event supporting scholarship at the intersection of antisemitism and the law. Our aim is to integrate antisemitism and law research into the broader academic discourse and to foster a global community of scholars dedicated to this urgent and emerging field. We invite submissions for paper presentations, panel proposals, and roundtable discussions exploring the relationship between antisemitism and the law. Submissions from all disciplines, perspectives, and methodologies are welcome. Both established and emerging scholars are encouraged to participate.

Submission Guidelines

- **Abstract:** 300–500 words outlining your proposed paper, panel, or presentation.
- **Bio:** Up to 150 words.
- **Format:** Individual papers, panels, and works-in-progress are welcome.
- **Deadline:** September 10, 2025
- Submission: Please submit materials to contact@thecsla.org
- Publication: Selected papers may be considered for publication in a symposium issue or edited volume.
- Notification: Decisions will be communicated by October 8, 2025.

For questions, please contact **Robert Katz** (<u>rokatz@iu.edu</u>), Professor of Law, Indiana University McKinney School of Law; Founder and Director, The Center for the Study of Law and Antisemitism (CSLA); author of *Antisemitism and the Law* (forthcoming 2025), and **Rona Kaufman** (<u>kitchenr@duq.edu</u>), Associate Professor of Law, Thomas R. Kline School of Law of Duquesne University,

We especially encourage proposals that:

- Offer diverse scholarly perspectives on combating antisemitism
- Engage with the lived experiences and legal challenges faced by Jews
- · Address contemporary manifestations of antisemitism in legal, institutional, or public contexts
- Demonstrate interdisciplinary or cross-community collaboration
- Reflect a commitment to safeguarding the rights and dignity of Jewish individuals and communities

We look forward to your contributions to this important and timely subject.

Suggested Topics Include, But Are Not Limited To:

I. Defining Antisemitism

- IHRA Definition: Adoption, critiques (e.g., anti-Zionism as antisemitism), and legal implications (Title VI, international law)
- Distinguishing antisemitism from criticism of Israel
- Legal responses to Holocaust denial, distortion, and conspiracy theories

II. Jewish Identity and the Law

• Jews as a racial, ethnic, or religious group (U.S. and international law)

- Intersectionality: LGBTQ Jews, Black Jews, women, and other marginalized groups
- Jewish lawyers and antisemitism in the legal profession
- Jewish advocacy in civil rights and impact litigation

III. Constitutional Law and Civil Rights

- Antisemitic speech, hate speech regulation (U.S. vs. Europe), and digital normalization (MAGAs, Musk/X)
- Free Exercise & Establishment Clause: religious accommodations, church-state separation, and religious school funding
- Constitutional democracy, rule of law, and the independent judiciary

IV. K-12 / Higher Education & Institutional Responses (including Title VI)

- Title VI: OCR enforcement, litigation, IHRA's role in campus policies, DEI integration
- Academic freedom, protest, and institutional neutrality
- SJP, BDS, and anti-Israel activism: balancing free expression and campus safety
- Antisemitism in teacher associations, unions, and school boards
- Foreign influence and anti-Israel bias in curricula

V. Hate Crimes, Extremism, and Online Speech

- Hate speech, social media, AI, and content moderation
- Legal responses to Holocaust denial and distortion
- Domestic terrorism, white nationalism, and radicalization

VI. Comparative and International Law

- Antisemitism in international human rights law and global institutions
- IHRA adoption abroad; UN/CI anti-Israel bias; Middle Eastern antisemitism
- "Settler colonialism": ideology, property rights, migration, and Jewish statehood debates

VII. Employment, Labor, and Civil Society

- Antisemitism in the workplace and Title VII protections
- Labor unions, Jewish inclusion, and collective bargaining
- Legal challenges in professional and nonprofit organizations
- Antisemitism and anti-Zionism in social movements

VIII. Contemporary Issues

- Antisemitism in legal education
- Antisemitism in critical legal and race theory
- Jewish representation and marginalization in legal discourse

IX. Memory, History, and the Law

- Holocaust denial, memory laws, trauma, and Holocaust remembrance
- Reparations, property restitution, and the legacy of the Shoah

X. Ideological and Political Context

• Intersection of antisemitism, Zionism, and Israel