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LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL LAUNCHES 'POLICING LOS ANGELES' SERIES WITH PANEL ON BALANCING POLICY WITH PUBLIC INTEREST

LOS ANGELES – Loyola Law School, Los Angeles will debut its "Policing Los Angeles" forum series with the panel "Police Policy-Making" featuring L.A. County Sheriff's Department officials and legal experts examining the role of the public interest in law enforcement processes. The event will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 30 from 12-1:30 p.m. on Loyola Law School's downtown L.A. campus.

Drawing on law-enforcement watchdogs with a range of perspectives, the panel will include Ingrid Eagly, faculty director of the David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law & Policy at UCLA School of Law; Max Huntsman, Inspector General, L.A. County Sheriff's Department; Gardena Police Department Chief Ed Medrano, president of the California Police Chiefs Association; Joanna Schwartz, UCLA School of Law professor of such courses as To Live & Die in L.A.: How Policing & Crime Shaped an American City; and Brian Williams, executive director, Civilian Oversight Commission, L.A. County Sheriff's Department. Moderator Eric J. Miller, Leo J. O'Brien Fellow at Loyola Law School, will draw on his extensive scholarship on police practices in shaping the discussion.

"The goal of police policy-making is to determine best practices for the police, balancing their interests against the public interest," said Professor Miller. "Increasingly, however, the police are circumventing this process, relying on private policy-makers whose primary role is to indemnify the police against lawsuits. This often leaves the public interest out of the equation."

About Loyola Law School, Los Angeles

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