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**LOYOLA PUBLIC SERVICE INSTITUTE & LMU GLOBAL POLICY INSTITUTE  
PARTNER FOR “CELEBRATING PUBLIC SERVICE” INAUGURAL EVENT**

**LOS ANGELES** – The Loyola Public Service Institute (LPSI) at Loyola Law School, Los Angeles and Loyola Marymount University’s Global Policy Institute will host “Celebrating Public Service,” a conference designed to inspire the next generation of public service leaders, on Thursday, Feb. 21 and Friday, Feb. 22.

The event marks the inception of the new LPSI, which seeks to develop interest in and create opportunities for public service among Loyola students. The event will feature judges, legislators, prosecutors and scholars discussing their careers in public interest fields, including a keynote address by U.S. Rep. Ted Lieu.

“We are thrilled to bring an illustrious group of speakers to Loyola Marymount University and Loyola Law School. We hope this two-day conference will help our students, graduates and others learn from and interact with professionals who have served in all levels of government,” said Professor Jessica A. Levinson, founding director of the LPSI and an alumnus of both LMU and LLS. “Our goal is to help current students and professionals become leaders in government service.”

The events of Thursday, Feb. 21 will be held at the William H. Hannon Library, Von Der Ahe Family Suite 322, 1 LMU Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90045. The events of Friday, Feb. 22 will be held in the Lack Reading Room, William M. Rains Library, Loyola Law School, 919 Albany St., Los Angeles, CA 90015.

The LPSI is made possible through the support of Hon. Patty Schnegg '77 and William Oppenheim. More information is available at [www.lls.edu/psj](http://www.lls.edu/psj).

**AGENDA:**

**Thursday, Feb. 21 at Loyola Marymount University**

**1:30-3 pm: Panel**

- **Laura Brill**, Former Law Clerk to U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg; Founder/Director, The Civics Center
- **David Katz**, Criminal Defense Attorney; Former Assistant U.S. Attorney in Los Angeles & Law Clerk to U.S. District Judge John Garrett Penn, Washington, D.C.
- **Kevin Sloat**, Lobbyist; Former Executive Branch Legislative Secretary & Legislative Chief of Staff to California Gov. Pete Wilson

- **Moderator: Fernando Guerra**, Professor of Political Science & Chicana/o Latina/o Studies; Director of the Thomas & Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, LMU

### **Friday, Feb. 22 at Loyola Law School, Los Angeles**

#### **10-10:30 a.m.: Welcome and Opening Remarks**

- **Jessica Levinson '05** (LMU '02), Director, Loyola Public Service Institute, Loyola Law School, Los Angeles; Former President, Los Angeles Ethics Commission
- **Michael Waterstone**, Fritz B. Burns Dean, Loyola Law School
- **Ron Galperin '94**, Los Angeles City Controller

#### **10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.: The Lawyer as Public Servant**

- **Ben Allen**, California State Senator
- **Lane Dilg**, Santa Monica City Attorney
- **Hon. Rupa S. Goswami**, Los Angeles Superior Court; Former Federal Prosecutor
- **Paul Rosen** Partner at Crowell Moring & Former Chief of Staff, Department of Homeland Security
- **Moderator: Jessica Levinson**

#### **12-1:30 pm: Lunch Keynote Address – U.S. Rep. Ted Lieu (CA)**

#### **About Loyola Law School, Los Angeles**

Located on an award-winning Frank Gehry-designed campus in downtown Los Angeles, Loyola Law School is home to prominent faculty, dedicated students and cutting-edge programs. The Law School strives to instill in students the knowledge they need to excel on their chosen paths. It dedicates itself to preparing students for the rigors of practice with an extensive portfolio of practical-training opportunities, an 18,000-strong alumni network and a focus on social justice. Learn more at [www.lls.edu](http://www.lls.edu).

#### **About Loyola Marymount University**

Loyola Marymount University, the University of Silicon Beach, is ranked in the top 15 percent of higher education institutions nationally by The Wall Street Journal. Founded in 1911, LMU is a Catholic, Jesuit and Marymount university with more than 6,500 undergraduate students and more than 3,000 graduate and law students. LMU offers 61 undergraduate majors and 55 minor programs, along with 49 master's degree programs, three doctorate programs and 13 credential/authorization programs. LMU's intercollegiate athletics teams compete in the West Coast Conference with 22 Division I and varsity sports.

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