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### **UH Professors Will Analyze Issues Presented by the 2016 Presidential Election**

*UH Law Center, College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences host 'Super Tuesday' symposium in advance of Republican candidates' debate on campus.*

**Feb. 17, 2016** – The University of Houston Law Center (UHLC) and the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CLASS) will host a conference analyzing the 2016 presidential campaigns on Feb. 23, two days before the Republican candidates come to the UH campus to participate in their final debate before the Super Tuesday primaries.

Law, economics and political science professors will discuss the judicial, domestic and international implications of the fall election.

The conference will be from 2:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 23, in the Student Center Banquet Ballroom. Register online at [www.law.uh.edu/debate](http://www.law.uh.edu/debate).

“The Law Center is excited to co-host this event with CLASS to have a full opportunity for faculty, students, staff, and members of the public to fully ventilate the legal, economic, and political issues likely to be discussed during the upcoming election,” said Dean Leonard M. Baynes.

“The difference between the positions of the candidates, and the social, political, and economic consequences of those differences will be illuminated and dissected by the expert UH faculty in the humanities and social sciences,” said Steven G. Craig, interim CLASS dean and professor of economics.

“Super Tuesday: Analyzing the 2016 Presidential Election” will include three panel discussions:

“Presidential Politics & Policy” with UHLC Dean Leonard M. Baynes and Associate Professor Brandon Rottinghaus and Assistant Professor Elizabeth Simas, both of the Department of Political Science

“Supreme Court & Economic Implications of Presidential Elections” with CLASS Dean Steven G. Craig, Assistant Professor Vikram Mahershri of the Department of Economics, and Professor Seth Chandler and Assistant Professor D. Theodore Rave, both of the Law Center

“Presidential Elections & Latino Politics in the U.S.” with Professor Richard Murray, Professor Jason Casellas, and Associate Professor Jeronimo Cortina all in the political science department and Adjunct Professor Ignacio Pinto-Leon of the Law Center

The panels will be moderated by Law Center Associate Dean Marcilynn A. Burke.

The Republican presidential candidates' debate, moderated by CNN anchor Wolf Blitzer, will be Thursday, Feb. 25, in the Moores Opera House in the Moores School of Music on the UH campus.

Super Tuesday is March 1. Primaries or caucuses will take place in Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia, Massachusetts, Minnesota, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, and Wyoming.

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