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Please join us for an informative panel:

## **THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF ANTI-BDS LAWS: WHAT THE FIRST *EN BANC* DECISION MIGHT SAY**

In the past seven years, over thirty states have passed “anti-BDS laws.” These laws characterize boycotts of persons or companies based on their Israeli identity as a form of discrimination – and restrict state contracting or investment with companies that engage in such conduct. They have been challenged on Free Speech ground in several cases across the country. The Eight Circuit has recently heard arguments *en banc* on the issue, and its ruling will be the most significant judicial pronouncement on the issue. This panel will debate the issues involved and discuss what the en banc 8<sup>th</sup> Circuit might rule.

### **Speakers**



Professor Amanda Shanor, University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School

Professor Eugene Volokh, UCLA Law School

Seth Waxman, WilmerHale, former U.S. Solicitor General

The event will be moderated by Professor Eugene Kontorovich, Director of CMEIL.

**Tuesday, October 26, 2021**

**12 PM – 1:30 PM**

***This event will be hosted over Zoom.***

Zoom link:

[https://gmu.zoom.us/join/register/tJEqcOuhpzpHtaqC\\_EaX1CAY64p-CnFi1JI](https://gmu.zoom.us/join/register/tJEqcOuhpzpHtaqC_EaX1CAY64p-CnFi1JI)

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