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possible since the last two conferences have
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**REGISTRATION DEADLINE**: October 1, 2019

Rate: \$90.00 per person

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### **VENUE:**

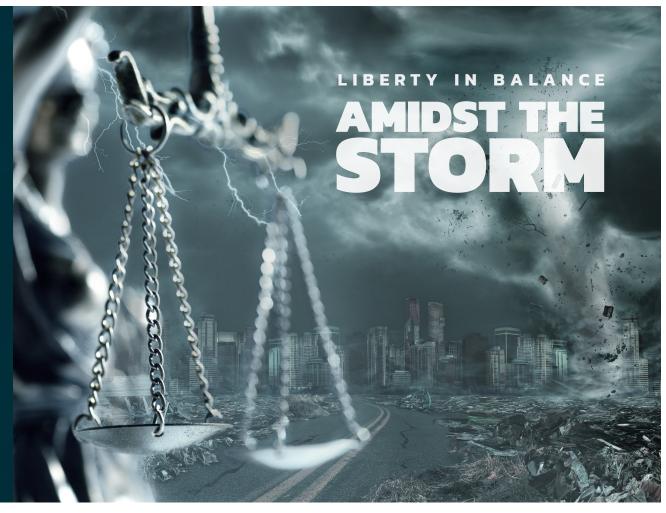
Cobb Galleria Centre Two Galleria Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30339 770-955-8000

### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

The official hotel for the congress is the Renaissance Atlanta Waverly Hotel. Our negotiated rate is \$129/night. This hotel is conveniently connected to the conference center. The deadline to book the hotel is Thursday, October 3, 2019.

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### THE CHRISTIAN NATION DEBATE

A Historical Review of Religious Liberty in America There seems to be an ongoing debate over whether this nation was specifically constituted on the principals of Christianity and scripture. With a growing number of Christian and state legislators taking on this same rhetoric, we need to ask ourselves, "What was the original intent of our founding fathers?" How does original intent differ with actual practice and/or our changing attitudes and needs of our society? Have the needs of the country changed when it comes to religious liberty, or should we simply understand those rights guaranteed by the founding fathers need to be available to everyone. Explore these issues with Audra Savage, a post-doctoral fellow in law, Religion and Human Rights at the Center for the Study of Law and Religion at Emory University.

### WAKE UP AND SMELL THE EQUALITY

Religious Liberty in the Era of LGBTQ Rights
Talk about a culture war. It is almost impossible to
read religious liberty news that does not include
some issue of free exercise rights coming into conflict
with LGBTQ rights. Earlier this year congress voted
to pass the Equality Bill, seemingly flipping the issue
of conflicting rights and religious free exercise on
its head. This session will explore these seemingly
conflicting rights. What has the Supreme Court said
and how will it be interrupted? What is the church's
position on same-sex marriage and transgendering?
Is there an issue of equality that is being overlooked?
So many questions. Attorney and Host to Freedom's
Ring Podcast, Alan Reinach, will give you new insight
into this issue of conflicting rights.

### **RELIGIOUS LIBERTY ON CAPITOL HILL**

Do you know what is happening on Capitol Hill? Find out which current legislative initiatives pose the biggest threat to liberty of conscience and the likelihood of passage for each. The Seventh-day Adventist church seeks to liaison with lawmakers and those in places of influence as a force of right for human kind. From the Supreme Court to the Halls of Congress the Adventist church has been influential

as a proponent for those freedoms guaranteed by the First Amendment. Our aim is not to have power or control, but to work for the good of religious freedom everywhere. Come prepared to have an interactive discussion with Attorney Dwayne Leslie, the former General Conference PARL Associate Director who led the church's legislative efforts on Capitol Hill.

### **RELIGIOUS LIBERTY TV**

Are you keeping up with current events that affect religious liberty? Adventists very often view these events as waymarks along the road to prophetic fulfillment. Step into this seminar to review the latest developments on the religious liberty news front. You will receive insights on contemporary issues involving the free exercise and establishment clauses of the United States Constitution. Today's rapidly evolving Constitutional landscape has led to countless ambiguities and uncertainties in legislation, public policy, and jurisprudence and has provided immediate opportunities for concerned citizens, religious leaders, elected officials, and attorneys to increase knowledge about these issues while ensuring that independent viewpoints are protected. This seminar is taught by the editor and founder of ReligiousLiberty.TV, Attorney Michael Peabody.

# THE ESTABLISHMENT CLAUSE AND THE NEW EVANGELICAL

The Establishment Clause of the First Amendment is one of our dearest protections against the state encroaching on religion and vice-versa. People of all religious faiths throughout this Nation should defend and protect Separation of Church and State. The Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty is one such non-profit group that continues to fight that battle and defend our First Freedoms. What is trending among today's Evangelicals? Are these trends dangerous? Join the discussion on the Establishment Clause. Hollyn Hollman, General Counsel and Associate Executive Director of the BJC leads out in this timely conversation.

### PRESENTERS -



# 1. KEYNOTE PRESENTER PASTOR IVOR MYERS is pastor of the Campbell Seventh-Day Adventist Church in Campbell, California. He has started several ministries including ARME Bible Camp and Power of the Lamb Ministries. He seeks to uplift Christ as the only hope of salvation, and to connect people with the power of the Lamb to become new creatures in Christ.



2. **HOLLY HOLMAN**, General Counsel and Associate Executive Director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Religious Liberty



3. **ORLAN JOHNSON**, Director of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty for the North American Division



4. **DWAYNE LESLIE**, Former GC PARL, Associate Director in Charge of Church Legislative Affairs on Capitol Hill



5. **MICHAEL PEABODY**, Attorney and Editor/founder of ReligiousLiberty.TV



6. **MELISSA REID**, Executive Director of the North American Religious Liberty Association (NARLA)



7. **ALAN REINACH**, Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Director for the Pacific Union Conference



8. **ANDRA SAVAGE**, Professor of Law of Religion and Human Rights at the Center for the Study of Law & Religion at Emory University



### SABBATH SCHEDULE:

Sign-in and material pick-up will begin at 7:50 a.m-8:50 a.m. The opening session begins at 9:00 a.m. Following the opening session there are five breakout sessions. Choose any three of these sessions to attend. Closing session will begin at 4:00 p.m. We anticipate being done by 6:00 p.m. Sunset is 7:03 p.m. EST.

**REFUNDS:** Your registration fee is non-refundable. However, if you find that you cannot attend, you may send someone else in your place.

**CHILDREN:** The congress is designed for adults, as an intense learning experience. There are no activities planned for children.

**DRESS CODE:** Church attire or "smart casual" is appropriate. Keep in mind that you will be sitting down most of the day.

MEALS: Sabbath lunch is included in the cost of your registration ticket. Sabbath lunch is a buffet. Vegans are fully provided for in the menu selections. For those staying overnight there are numerous restaurants as well as the Galleria Mall located just across the street from the conference center.

PARKING: The parking at the Cobb Galleria Centre is included as part of your registration package. The parking garage is located to the left of the main entrance to the Centre. We recommend you arrive early.