

Conference-within-a-Conference on the Separation of Powers

Sponsored by the Levin Center for Oversight and Democracy

Friday April 5, 2024 | Location TBD

8:00am–8:50am **Breakfast**

8:50am–9:00am **Welcome and Introductions**

9:00am–10:45am **Panel 1: Appointments**

Jason S. Byers (University of Connecticut) and **George A. Krause** (University of Georgia), “The Loyalty Premium: Estimating the Value of Unified Partisan Control of the Executive Appointment Process.”

Tyson Chatagnier (University of Houston), “Presidential Appointments of Military Veterans.”

Lauren Mattioli (Boston University), “Complementary Appointments”

Gary Hollibaugh (University of Pittsburgh) and **Tyson Chatagnier** (University of Houston), “Advice and Consent in the American Civil War: Senate Voting on Military Nominations”

Discussant: **Lindsey Gailmard** (Stanford University) and **David Lewis** (Vanderbilt University)

10:45pm–12:15pm **Panel 2: Executive Power**

Gisela Sin (University of Illinois), **Valeria Palanza** (Universidad Catolica de Chile), and **Gustavo Diaz** (McMaster University), “The Disempowered Executive: Reconsidering the Line Item Veto in the US States.”

David Foster (London School of Economics), “Lobbying for Orders: Supply of and Demand for Presidential Unilateralism.”

Alex Acs (The Ohio State University), “Rulemaking and the Separation of Powers.”

Discussant: **David Ryan Miller** (UC Riverside)

12:15pm–1:30pm ***Lunch and Remarks from Levin Center Representatives***

Benjamin Eikey (Manager of State Training and Development) and **Grace Moore** (Research and Data Specialist)

1:30pm–3:15pm ***Panel 3: Oversight***

Annie Benn (UC Berkeley) and **Luca Bellodi** (Bocconi University), “Confrontation and Control: Understanding Congressional Hearing Tone and Intention.”

Niki Kalaf-Hughes (Bowling Green State University) and **Jason MacDonald** (West Virginia University), “Subcommittee Chairs and Oversight of the Bureaucracy.”

Christina Kinane and **Kevin Xiao** (Yale University), “Delaying Democracy: Capacity and Political Control at the Federal Election Commission.”

Cody Drolc (University of South Carolina), “Is Oversight Always Effective? The Impact of Multiple Principals on Oversight in Veterans Healthcare.”

Discussant: **Rachel Augustine Potter** (University of Virginia) and **Alexander Bolton** (Emory University)

3:15pm–4:45pm ***Panel 4: Topics in the Separation of Powers***

Ayse Eldes, **Kenneth Lowande**, and **Christian Fong** (University of Michigan), “Does Ambition Counteract Ambition?”

Nicholas G. Napolio (UC Riverside), “Party Government, the Power Franchise, and the Unification of Powers.”

Luca Bellodi (Bocconi University), “A New Language-based Measure of Bureaucratic Ideology.”

Discussant: **Jon Rogowski** (University of Chicago)

5:00pm–8:00pm ***Reception at TBD***