

NYCLA Presents Public Forum on Judicial Independence

Wednesday, November 2, 2011 - 6:00-8:00 PM
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Issues to be discussed include:

- The debate over whether judicial disciplinary hearings should be open or closed.
- What meaningful due process protections should be provided to a judge who stands accused in a public setting.
- What the press' responsibility is to ensure balanced reporting of public accusations against a judge.
- What resources are available to an investigative journalist to present a balanced story, since a judge may not communicate personally about the issues.

Moderator:



Hon. Betty Weinberg Ellerin, Presiding Justice, Appellate Division, First Department (ret.), and Co-Chair of the NYCLA Task Force on Judicial Independence

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