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## Full disclosure: An Evening with Michael Morton

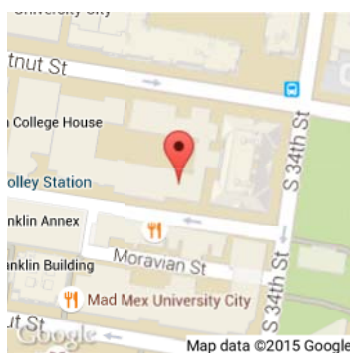
Time: 5:30pm

Location: Golkin 100, Michael A. Fitts Auditorium

Fifty years after *Brady v. Maryland*, our criminal justice system continues to wrestle with how to disclose information to defendants in criminal cases.

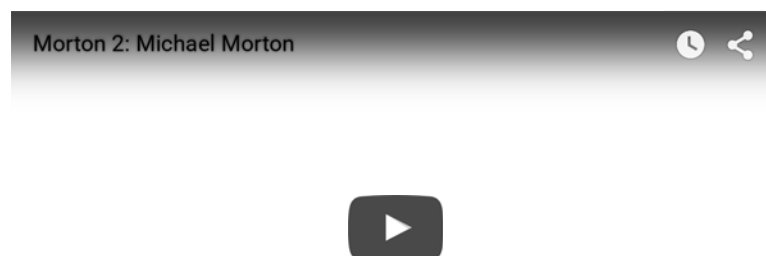
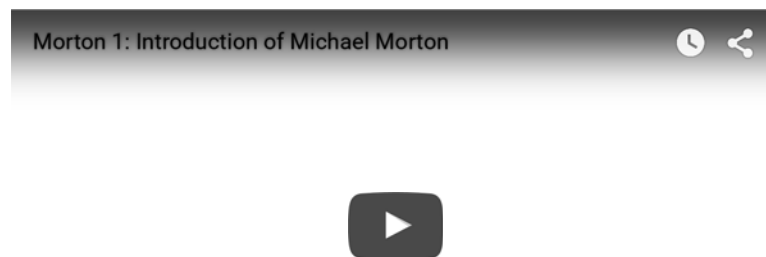
Come to an unforgettable panel of experts, including 2015 Quattrone Exoneree Fellow Michael Morton, to learn about the impact discovery violations has on defendants, victims, and prosecutors, and what we can do to better understand and prevent these problems.

*A Quattrone Center for the Fair Administration of Justice event. Co-sponsored by the Pennsylvania Innocence Project and the Toll Public Interest Law Center.*



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Morton 3: Dean Epps  





Morton 4: Sidney Powell  



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Morton 6: Dean Epps on Modified Open File Discovery  



Morton 7: Panelists on Disclosure of Files



Morton 8: David Rudovsky on Materiality as a Problematic ...



Morton 9: Sidney Powell on Smith v Cain and Ethics Rules



## Agenda

5:30 pm - Cocktail Reception 6:15 pm - Panel 8:00 pm - Conclusion

## Bios of Panelists:



### **JoAnne Epps**

JoAnne Epps is Dean of Temple Law School, a position she has held since 2008. She is the author of numerous books and articles on Evidence and Trial Advocacy, including *100 VIGNETTES FOR IMPROVING TRIAL EVIDENCE: MAKING & MEETING OBJECTIONS* (with Bocchino & Sonenshein) (NITA, 2005). Since 2008, she has served as a member of the Association of American Law School's Section of Evidence Executive Committee. In 2014, Dean Epps was awarded the Justice Sonia Sotomayor Diversity Award by the Philadelphia Bar Association and in 2009 received the Association's Sandra Day O'Connor Award, conferred annually on "a woman attorney who has demonstrated superior legal talent, achieved significant legal accomplishments and has furthered the advancement of women in both the profession and the community." A three-time honoree

by Lawyers of Color Magazine as one of the 100 most influential black lawyers in the country, Dean Epps was named by National Jurist Magazine in 2013 and 2014 as one of the 25 most influential people in legal education. She is a member of the City of Philadelphia Board of Ethics and is the court-appointed monitor in the settlement of *Bailey v. City of Philadelphia*, a lawsuit challenging the city's stop and frisk activity. A former Deputy City Attorney for the City of Los Angeles and Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Dean Epps' teaching areas include Evidence, Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure and Trial Advocacy.



### **Michael Morton**

Michael Morton was born in Texas, grew up in California, and moved back to Texas in high school. While living in Austin, Michael was wrongfully convicted of the 1986 murder of his wife Christine, a crime witnessed by his then 3-year-old son. He spent almost twenty-five years in prison before being exonerated in 2011 through the efforts of the Innocence Project, pro bono lawyer John Raley, and advances in DNA technology.

Michael has a strong desire to do what he can to prevent what happened to him from happening to others, and has worked tirelessly with lawmakers to pass legislation such as the Michael Morton Act, which codifies exactly how and when prosecutors must share information with citizens who stand accused of a crime.

Michael's journey is the subject of the award-winning documentary "An Unreal Dream: The Michael Morton Story", and he has recently released his acclaimed memoir, published by Simon & Schuster, "Getting Life: An Innocent Man's 25-Year Journey From Prison to Peace." Michael is now remarried and he and his wife Cynthia live on a lake in rural East Texas, relishing and appreciating what others may take for granted.



### **Sidney Powell**

Sidney Powell served in the Department of Justice for ten years in Texas and Virginia and has devoted her private practice to federal appeals for the past twenty years. She was the youngest Assistant United States Attorney in the country when she was appointed. Later, she became Chief of the Appellate Section for the Western and Northern Districts of Texas. She is a Fellow of the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers and served as its President.

Recognized by her peers as a "Super Lawyer" and named as one of the "Best Lawyers in America" for years, she has been lead counsel in more than 500 appeals in the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, resulting in more than 180 published opinions, and was President of the Bar Association of the Fifth Federal Circuit. Powell's briefs have long been featured as samples for practitioners. Most recently, Powell is the author of "Licensed to Lie," a narrative of the disturbing events, missteps, cover-ups, malfeasance, and corruption of justice that have caused her to question the system she has been committed to for over thirty years.



### **David Rudovsky**

David Rudovsky, one of the nation's leading civil rights and criminal defense attorneys, practices public interest law with the firm of Kairys, Rudovsky, Messing & Feinberg. He became a Senior Fellow at Penn Law in 1988 and teaches courses in Criminal Law, Constitutional Criminal Procedure and Evidence. He is co-author (with Michael Avery and Karen Blum) of *Police Misconduct: Law and Litigation* (West, 2012, 3rd ed.) and *The Law of Arrest, Search, and Seizure in Pennsylvania* (6th ed. 2011, PBI Press). His awards include a MacArthur Foundation Fellowship and Award for Accomplishments in Civil

Rights Law and Criminal Justice, the ACLU Civil Liberties Award, and most recently his fifth Harvey Levin Award for Excellence in Teaching at the Law School. He also won a University of Pennsylvania Lindback Award for Teaching Excellence in 1996.

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