April 18, 2019

The Center Cannot Hold: My Life as a Patient and Legal Professional

Time: 4:30pm - 6:00pm
Location: Golkin 100, Michael A. Fitts Auditorium

Elyn Saks is Professor of Law, Psychology, Psychiatry and the Behavioral Sciences at the USC Gould School of Law and is Director of the Saks Institute for Mental Health Law, Policy, and Ethics. Saks writes extensively in the area of law and mental health. Her research has included the ethical dimensions of psychiatric research and forced treatment of people with mental illness. Her New York Times best-selling memoir, The Center Cannot Hold: My Journey Through Madness, describes her struggles with schizophrenia and her managing to craft a good life for herself in the face of a dire prognosis. To watch Professor Saks’ extraordinarily popular TED Talk with nearly 4 million views, click here. Professor Saks will speak on these issues of mental health, law, and ethics, as well as her own experiences with mental illness.

This program is open to the public and has been approved for 1.5 ethics CLE credits.

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CLE readings may be found here.

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