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Description

Michael Gerhardt is Samuel Ashe Distinguished Professor of Constitutional Law. He specializes in constitutional conflicts and has been active as a scholar, advisor, special counsel, expert witness, and public commentator on all the major conflicts between presidents and Congress over the past quarter century.

Professor Gerhardt has written dozens of law review articles and five books. The Financial Times selected his most recent book, *The Forgotten Presidents: Their Untold Constitutional Legacy* (Oxford University Press, 2013), as one of its Best Non-Fiction Books of 2013.

Professor Gerhardt's extensive public service has included advising congressional leaders and White House officials on numerous constitutional issues, including judicial nominations, recess appointments, impeachment, health care reform, the filibuster, and the debt ceiling crises. Professor Gerhardt has participated in six Supreme Court confirmation proceedings, including most recently as Special Counsel to the Senate Judiciary Committee for the nominations of Sonia Sotomayer and Elena Kagan to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Professor Gerhardt frequently participates in academic workshops and colloquia around the country and regularly writes op eds and is interviewed as an expert on constitutional law by all major networks and cable television, national newspapers, and National Public Radio.

Industry Expertise

Education/Learning, Legal Services, Writing and Editing, Research

Topics

Law, Government & Politics, Constitutional Law, Presidency and Governorship, Legislative Process and Procedure, Legal History, Economics, Political Science, Expert Witness, Public Service, Judicial Appointments, Church and State Issues, Civil Rights, Corruption, Federal Courts, Freedom of Speech / First Amendment, Legal Theory, Legislation, Media Law, Discrimination

Affiliations

Education

University of Chicago

J.D. Law

London School of Economics
M.S. Economics and Political Science

Yale University
B.A. Economics and Political Science

Accomplishments

Van Hecke-Wettach Award

Awarded by UNC Chapel Hill Law School for the completion of an outstanding book or monograph.

Alpheus Mason Lecturer

At Princeton University.

Distinguished Service Award

Awarded by the Association of Yale Alumni.

St. George Tucker Lecturer

At William & Mary Law School.

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