

John C. Eastman

Dale E. Fowler School of Law at Chapman University Friday, April 17, 2015 12:00 PM Luncheon Lecture Kravis Center, Seminar Room 321 RSVP <u>ehuerta@cmc.edu</u> by Wed. Apr 15 Limited seating available



"Immigration and the Constitution"

Professor Eastman will present his view that the President's recent action suspending the immigration laws for upwards of 5 million people who are unlawfully present in the United States is not an exercise of permissible prosecutorial discretion, but a categorical suspension of the laws. He has awarded people a "lawful presence" in the United States that is contrary to the immigration laws, enabling them to obtain work authorization permits, social security cards and the numerous benefits that flow from that. He will then discuss the several efforts underway to do something about the President's conduct, including the lawsuit currently pending in Texas on behalf of 26 states, the prior lawsuit by a group of border patrol agents, and efforts in Congress to use the power of the purse to prevent the President's actions.

Dr. John Eastman is the Henry Salvatori Professor of Law & Community Service and former Dean at Chapman University's Dale E. Fowler School of Law. He is also the founding director of the Claremont Institute's Center for Constitutional Jurisprudence, on whose behalf he has appeared before the Supreme Court of the United States in more than ninety cases of constitutional significance. A former law clerk to Justice Clarence Thomas, Eastman has a Ph.D. in Government from the Claremont Graduate School, a J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School, and a B.A. from the University of Dallas. He is Chairman of the Federalist Society's Federalism & Separation of Powers practice group, Chairman of the Board of the National Organization for Marriage, and a frequent expert commentator on television and radio, including C-SPAN, Fox News, PBS, The O'Reilly Factor, and the Jim Lehrer Newshour.