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"Religious Liberty and Obamacare: Why Hobby Lobby's & Notre Dame's HHS Lawsuits Might Actually Threaten Religious Freedom"

VINCENT PHILLIP MUÑOZ

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2013

12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

KRAVIS CENTER, THIRD FLOOR, BOARD ROOM 367

Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to ehuerta@cmc.edu by Tuesday Dec 10, 2013

Why does the Constitution protect religious liberty? Professor Muñoz will address this question by exploring the two leading philosophical understandings of our “first freedom” and their competing constitutional constructions of the First Amendment.

Dr. Muñoz writes and teaches across the fields of political philosophy, constitutional studies, and American politics and is the Tocqueville Associate Professor of Political Science and Concurrent Associate Professor of Law at The University of Notre Dame. His recent research has focused on the theme of religious liberty and the American Constitution. His first book, *God and the Founders: Madison, Washington, and Jefferson* (Cambridge University Press, 2009), won the Hubert Morken Award from the American Political Science Association for the best publication on religion and politics in 2009 and 2010. His First Amendment church-state casebook, *Religious Liberty and the American Supreme Court: The Essential Cases and Documents*, was published in 2013 and is being used at Notre Dame and other leading universities.

Dr. Muñoz is in the process of completing two more books related to religious freedom, a prequel to *God and the Founders*, which seeks to uncover the original meaning of the Constitution's Religion Clauses, and a constitutional history of religious freedom in America from the Founding to the present.