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**THE
JAMES GOULD CUTLER
LECTURE 2001/02**

William & Mary Law School

January 31, 2002

3:00 p.m.

Room 127

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Professor McConnell, Presidential Professor of Law at the University of Utah, received a B.A. with honors from Michigan State University (1976) and a J.D. with honors from the University of Chicago Law School (1979). He graduated Order of the Coif and with honors from law school, and served as comment editor of the *Law Review*. Professor McConnell joined the Utah faculty in 1997 after teaching at the University of Chicago for 12 years, where he served as the William B. Graham Professor of Law. Prior to his teaching career, Professor McConnell was assistant to the solicitor general with the U.S. Department of Justice (1983/85), assistant general counsel for the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (1981/83), and law clerk to Chief Judge J. Skelly Wright, U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, and Justice William J. Brennan of the U.S. Supreme Court. In 1996 he was elected a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

One of the country's most distinguished scholars in the fields of constitutional law and theory, McConnell has argued 11 times before the U.S. Supreme Court and is widely published in the fields of church-state relations and the First Amendment. His publications include a book on *Christian Perspectives on Legal Thought* (Yale University Press 2001) and a casebook on *Religion and the Constitution* (Aspen Publishing Co, forthcoming). He has also published over 50 law review articles and chapters in edited volumes, including articles in Chicago, Harvard, Illinois, Utah, William and Mary, and Yale law journals.

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