

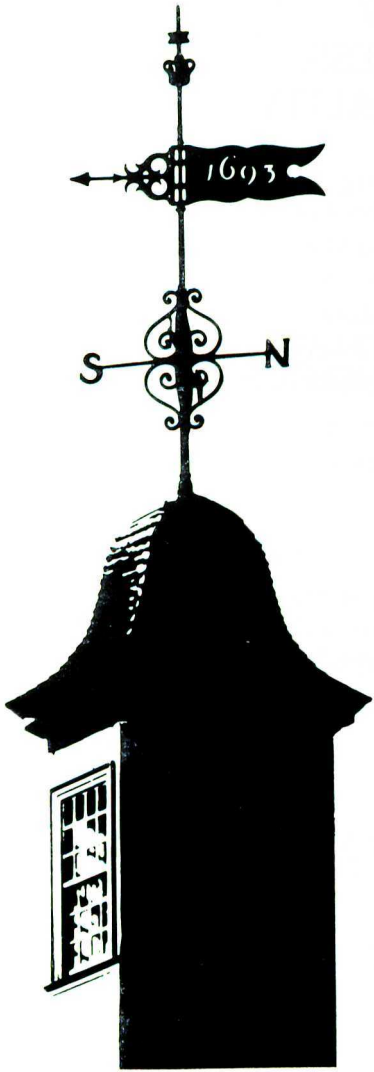
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Institute of Bill of Rights Law and the
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LIBEL LAW AND THE PRESS: MYTH AND REALITY

June 5-6, 1986, Williamsburg, Virginia
at the Marshall-Wythe School of Law
College of William and Mary

sponsored by the
INSTITUTE OF BILL OF RIGHTS LAW AND THE
AMERICAN NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION

THURSDAY, JUNE 5

Registration and Coffee, Law School Patio or Lounge
8:00-9:00 a.m.

Welcome and Introductory Remarks, Room 119, 9:00 a.m.
Gene R. Nichol, James Gould Cutler Professor of Constitutional Law and
Deputy Director of the Institute of Bill of Rights Law

Session I, Room 119,
9:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

THE DEMOGRAPHICS AND DYNAMICS OF LIBEL: THE PLAINTIFFS, THE DEFENDANTS, AND THE LIBEL

John Soloski
Professor of Journalism, University of Iowa

Panel

Lou Boccardi, President, The Associated Press

Andrew Hughes, Townley & Updike, New York

Jack Nelson, Chief, Washington Bureau, *Los Angeles Times*

Eugene Patterson, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer,
St. Petersburg Times

Moderator: Timothy J. Sullivan, Dean, and Director of the Institute of Bill of
Rights Law, College of William and Mary

Luncheon, National Center for State Courts
12:15 p.m.

Session II, Room 119
1:15-4:30 p.m.

WHY PLAINTIFFS SUE

Gilbert Cranberg
Professor of Journalism, University of Iowa

Panel

Terrence Adamson, Hansell & Post, Atlanta, Georgia

Gene Roberts, Editor, *Philadelphia Inquirer*

Howard Simons, Curator, Nieman Foundation, Harvard University and former
Managing Editor, *Washington Post*

Moderator: W. Terry Maguire, Vice President/General Counsel, American
Newspaper Publishers Association

Cocktails, National Center for State Courts,
4:30 pm.-5:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 6

Coffee, Law School Patio or Lounge
8:00-9:00 a.m.

Session III, Room 119
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**THE LIBEL LITIGATION PROCESS:
WHAT THE PARTIES WANT, AND WHAT THE PARTIES GET**

Randall P. Bezanson
Professor of Law, University of Iowa

Panel

David A. Anderson, Stanley D. Rosenberg Professor of Law, University of Texas

Rodney Smolla, Professor of Law, University of Arkansas

Paul A. LeBel, Professor of Law, College of William and Mary

Moderator: Gene R. Nichol, College of William and Mary

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