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The Hon. Jed S. Rakoff

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(Manhattan)

«Why the U.S. Supreme Court is naturally conservative»

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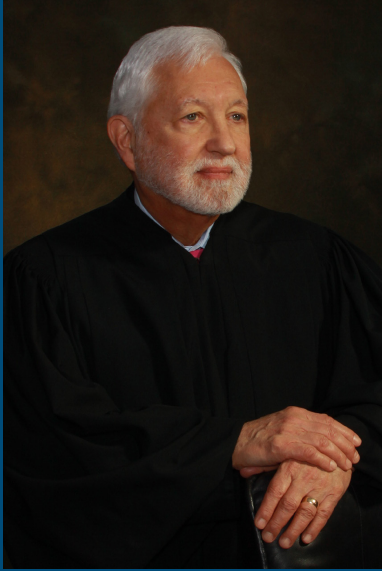
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Free entrance. No registration required. Limited seating.

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Speaker



In his educational pursuits, Jed S. Rakoff earned a Juris Doctor, cum laude, from Harvard Law School. He has served since March 1996 as a U.S. district judge for the Southern District of New York. He frequently sits by designation on the 2nd and 9th Circuit Courts of Appeals. His most noteworthy decisions have been in the areas of securities law and criminal law. He is one of the most distinguished federal judges in the United States. He is an adjunct professor at Columbia Law School and New York University School of Law and teaches at University of California, Berkeley School of Law and the University of Virginia School of Law. He has written over 180 published articles, 835 speeches, and 1,800 judicial opinions and has co-authored five books.

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Content of the lecture

While much has been made of the “reactionary” tendencies of the current U.S. Supreme Court, the truth is that the U.S. Supreme Court, despite occasional moments of progressiveness, has traditionally been the most conservative of the three branches of the U.S. government. This lecture will not only detail the evidence for this assertion but will also suggest the unique aspects of U.S. legal and political forces that have made this so.

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