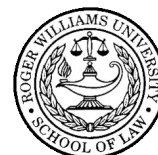




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## 12<sup>TH</sup> MARINE LAW SYMPOSIUM

### LEGAL STRATEGIES FOR CLIMATE ADAPTATION IN COASTAL NEW ENGLAND

November 16, 2018

Roger Williams University School of Law, Bristol Rhode Island

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8:30 AM	<b>Registration and Refreshments</b>
9:00 AM	<b>Welcome to Roger Williams University</b>
9:05 AM	<b>Welcome from the Marine Affairs Institute, Introduction to the Day and Overview of Program</b> <b>Julia Wyman, Esq.</b> , Director, Marine Affairs Institute/Rhode Island Sea Grant Legal Program, Roger Williams University School of Law
9:10 AM	<b>Invited: Shaun O'Rourke, Overview of Physical Problem to Set Context for Legal Discussion</b>
9:25 AM	<b>Are State and Local Governments Liable for a Failure to Adapt to a Changing Climate?</b> <b>Elena Mihaly, Esq.</b> , Staff Attorney, Conservation Law Foundation <b>Deanna Moran, MPP, MCRP</b> , Director of Environmental Planning, Conservation Law Foundation
10:35 AM	<b>Break</b>

- 10:50 AM                    **Adapting to the Deluge: Emerging Legal Issues from Recent Hurricane Seasons**  
**Dena Adler, J.D., M.E.M., Climate Law Fellow**, Sabin Center for Climate Change Law, Columbia Law School
- 11:40 AM                    **Infrastructure & Sea-Level Rise: Legal Challenges for Local Government Maintenance of Infrastructure**  
**Thomas Ruppert, Esq.**, Coastal Planning Specialist, Florida Sea Grant
- 12:30 PM                    **Lunch**
- 1:30 PM                    **Opportunities for Institutionalizing Resilience Approaches in Local Laws, Ordinances, Regulations and Policies and a Focus on Strategies for Facilitating Retreat**  
**Jessica Grannis, Esq.**, Adaptation Program Director, Georgetown Climate Center, Georgetown Law School  
**Katie Spidalieri, Esq.**, Institute Associate, Georgetown Climate Center
- 2:20 PM                    **Facilitated Discussions:** Attendees SSelect the Discussion Group They Would Like to Learn More About/Share Their Work On
- i.                    **Integrating Adaptation into State and Local Plans: How States and Local Governments are Using Planning to Establish Public Interests and Legal Justifications for Future Regulatory Actions or Investment Decisions**  
Led by Jessica Grannis, Esq., and Katie Spidalieri, Esq.
  - ii.                    **Institutionalizing Resilience Into Ordinances and Codes**  
Led by Read Porter, Esq., Senior Staff Attorney, Marine Affairs Institute/Rhode Island Sea Grant Legal Program, and Elena Mihaly, Esq.
  - iii.                    **Legal Aspects of Adapting Infrastructure**  
This facilitated discussion will engage participants on topics about legal challenges they foresee for maintenance of local government infrastructure and discuss ideas for how to address these challenges.  
Led by Thomas Ruppert, Esq., and Melissa Chalek, Esq., Policy Analyst, Marine Affairs Institute/Rhode Island Sea Grant Legal Program
- 3:30 PM                    **Panel Discussion: Options for State and Local Governments to Proactively Include Adaptation into Planning, and Resources to Assist that Work**  
**Jessica Grannis, Esq.**  
**Katie Spidalieri, Esq.**

**Dena Adler, J.D., M.E.M.**  
**Elena Mihaly, Esq.**  
**Deanna Moran, MPP, MCRP**  
**Thomas Ruppert, Esq.**  
**Julia Wyman, Esq.**  
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4:00 PM

**Concluding Remarks**

