

SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE - PROTECTION OF YOUR BELIEFS AND YOUR DEMOCRACY

ABOUT THE EVENT:

Recently there are many who believe the Founders intended the United States to be a Christian nation. However, the 1st amendment clearly states there shall be no national religion when it says, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, (n)or prohibiting the free exercise thereof. A movement called Christian nationalism has gained traction recently with followers not only believing that our country is a Christian nation, but that Christian values, symbols, and beliefs

form the identity of our republic and therefore Christianity should be privileged in the lives of our citizens. This idea is slowly creeping into our society through recent laws and court decisions and changing our national identity by calling for Christian religious liberty often at the expense of women, religious minorities, people of color, and the lgbtq community. Come and learn how this concept can undermine our democratic principles and lead to the demise of our pluralistic democracy.



SPEAKERS

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