



What are the Limits of Free Speech?

(a moderated panel discussion)

When: Monday, Sept. 27, 2021

Time: 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM



Host and Moderator

Dewey Lee, CLS Member and Secretary

Timekeeper and Event Support

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Panelists

Jonathan Butcher, Will Skillman Fellow in Education at the Heritage Foundation,
Rachel Pereira, Senior Legal and Policy Advisor at Education Counsel

Panelist Biographies

Jonathan Butcher is the Will Skillman Fellow in Education at The Heritage Foundation. He has researched and testified on education policy around the U.S. He is currently writing a book on critical race theory in schools and America's national identity. Jonathan co-edited and wrote chapters in the book *The Not-So-Great Society*, which provides conservative solutions to the problems created by the ever-expanding federal footprint in preschool, K-12, and higher education. He has appeared on local and national TV outlets, including C-SPAN, Fox News, and HBO's *Vice News Tonight*, and he has been a guest on many radio programs. His commentary has appeared nationally in places such as the *Wall Street Journal*, *Education Week*, *National Review Online*, *Newsweek.com*, and *Forbes.com*, along with newspapers around the country. Jonathan holds a B.A. in English from Furman University and an M.A. in economics from the University of Arkansas.

Rachel Pereira serves as a Senior Legal and Policy Advisor at Education Counsel. Previously, Pereira served as the Assistant Vice President of Institutional Equity and Education/Employment Law Advisor at Vassar College. Pereira holds a J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania, an Ed.D. and M.S. from Rutgers University in educational leadership and administration, a Certificate in Management from the Wharton School of Business, and a B.A. from Hunter College. Pereira is a former Philadelphia Assistant District Attorney and law clerk to the Honorable George B. Daniels of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. Rachel serves as an adjunct professor at the Rutgers Graduate School of Education and formerly served as a school principal and teacher. Rachel has completed Advanced Commercial Mediation training with the New York State Bar. Pereira has summed up her professional endeavors to be "the honor of loving other people's children." Rachel, a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., believes that her true fortune lies in her sustenance - her faith, family and friends and rests easily in the acknowledgment that 'His eye is on the sparrow.'

Session Recording Information

This session will be recorded. CLS members can find event information and the link to the recording on the CLS Class Handouts webpage.