The Uniform Law Commission (ULC) and George Washington University Law School are co-sponsoring a Symposium on Federalism and State Law at the George Washington University Law School, in Washington, D.C., on Friday, October 29, 2010.

The Symposium is co-sponsored by a number other national organizations (including the Conference of Chief Justices, the National Center for State Courts, the National Governors’ Association, the National Conference of State Legislatures, the Council of State Governments, and the National Association of Attorneys General). The general purpose of the Symposium is to explore the roles of the federal and state governments in areas of shared responsibility. One of the objectives is to begin a dialogue among representatives of federal, state and local governments, and other entities (such as ULC) that are interested in the intersection of and balance between state and federal regulation in areas of shared federal/state interest.

The Symposium will be attended by representatives from all levels of government, judges, academics, and representatives from organizations such as the ULC and the American Law Institute. Senator Thomas Carper of Delaware will provide the luncheon keynote speech, drawing on his experience as both a Governor and a United States Senator to illustrate the challenges and opportunities for federalism that exist within contemporary times. Professor Daniel Farber of the University of California, Berkeley, School of Law, will open the symposium with an exploration of the history of federalism and discussion of the factors that have led to expansion or contraction of federal power and scope of federal legislation and regulation. A diverse group of panelists will provide broad range of expertise and perspectives on the issues introduced by Professor Farber. Panelists include current and former members of the Obama administration, state legislators, representatives of state and federal government agencies, academics, and practitioners experienced with the interplay of state and federal law. A copy of the program, containing information about the entire program and speakers, is enclosed.

We cordially invite you and members of your organization to attend this Symposium and participate in the discussion. There is no fee to attend, but we ask that you register on line as indicated at the top of the form or e-mail the attached registration form by October 15, 2010.

A block of rooms for Thursday night, October 28, and a smaller block for Friday night, October 29, has been set aside for those attending the Symposium at:
One Washington Circle Hotel
1 Washington Circle, N.W.
Washington, D.C 20037
800-424-9671; 202-872-1680

Please contact the hotel directly by October 6, 2010 to reserve a room, and request the Uniform Law Commission group rate of $219 for Thursday night and $179 for Friday night.
Federalism and State Law Symposium
Registration Form

Please complete this form to register for the Federalism Symposium, to be held October 29th, 2010. For questions or concerns, please contact Brianna Carbonneau, Assistant Attorney to the Public Interest and Public Service Law Program. (202)994-4692 or bcarbonneau@law.gwu.edu. We look forward to having you in attendance! Please register by Friday, October 15, 2010.

First Name *

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