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A.M.

8:00 **REGISTRATION**

Please arrive by 8:30 am to ensure seating prior to Political Rewind

9:00 **POLITICAL REWIND RETURNS: WHAT'S THE STATE OF PLAY IN GEORGIA**

Georgia Public Broadcasting's "Political Rewind" team of award winning political pundits and prognosticators return to broadcast live from the conference and try to answer what is happening and why.

Host:

Bill Nigut, *Georgia Public Broadcasting, Atlanta*

Panel:

Jim Galloway, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta*

Sam Olens, *Dentons, Atlanta*

Dr. Amy Steigerwalt, *Georgia State University, Atlanta*

Eric Tanenblatt, *Dentons, Atlanta*

Michael Thurmond, *CEO, DeKalb County*

10:00 **BREAK**

10:15 **THE MEDIA AND THE COURTS: CONTENT & COVERAGE**

A retired federal judge probes a panel of veteran court watchers about lessons learned over decades of covering federal and state trial and appellate courts.

Moderator:

Hon. William Duffey, *U.S. District Judge (retired)*

Panelists:

R. Robin McDonald, *Daily Report, Atlanta*

Bill Rankin, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta*

Mark Sherman, *The Associated Press, Washington, D.C.*

11:15 **BEHIND THE HEADLINES: REPORTING ON GEORGIA SENIOR CARE**

Investigative reporters for The Atlanta Journal-Constitution spent almost a year exploring the care Georgians receive from assisted living communities and personal care homes. Here's what they found and how.

Moderator:

Andre Jackson, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta*

Panelists:

Lois Norder, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta*

Brad Schrade, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta*

Carrie Teegardin, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta*

P.M.

12:15 **LUNCH & PROGRAM**

THE STATE OF INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING: NATIONALLY AND IN GEORGIA

What's ahead nationally and in Georgia for hard-hitting investigative reporting, featuring opening remarks from 4-time Pulitzer Prize winner David Barstow.

Keynote:

David Barstow, *UC Berkeley Graduate School of Journalism*

Moderator:

Richard T. Griffiths, *Georgia First Amendment Foundation, Atlanta*

Panelists:

Ashley Fantz, *CNN, Atlanta*

Shawn McIntosh, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta*

Dale Russell, *Fox 5 I-Team, Atlanta*

1:45 **JUSTICE OR A REVOLVING DOOR?**

A Fred-Friendly role-playing examination of the perennial public debate swirling around criminal justice in Fulton and elsewhere in the State.

Organizers: Jonathan Peters, UGA & Thomas M. Clyde, Kilpatrick Townsend

Interlocutor:

Richard Belcher, *WSB-TV, Atlanta*

Panelists to include:

Hon. Robert McBurney, *Chief Judge, Fulton County Superior Court*

Paul L. Howard, Jr., *Fulton County District Attorney*

J. P. Matzigkeit, *District 8, Atlanta City Council*

Tiffany William Roberts, *Southern Center for Human Rights, Atlanta*

2:45 **ARE WE READY: GEORGIA ELECTIONS IN 2020**

Is the State ready for Election Day 2020?

Moderator:

Jonathan Ringel, *Daily Report*

Panelists:

Josh Belinfante, *Robbins Firm, Atlanta*

Bruce Brown, *Bruce P. Brown LLC, Atlanta*

Mark Niese, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta*

Andrea Young, *ACLU of Georgia, Atlanta*

3:30 **BREAK**

3:45 **A LOOK BACK: LAW ENFORCEMENT, THE MEDIA AND THE SUSPECT**
How Atlanta and the world dealt with the bombing of the Centennial Olympic Games and hero-then-suspect Richard Jewell.

Moderator:

Sally Sears, *WGCL/CBS46, Atlanta*

Panelists:

Kent Alexander, *co-author, [The Suspect](#), Atlanta*

Ron Martz, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution (retired), Dahlonega*

Kevin Riley, *Editor, Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta*

5:00 **POST-CONFERENCE RECEPTION**

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