

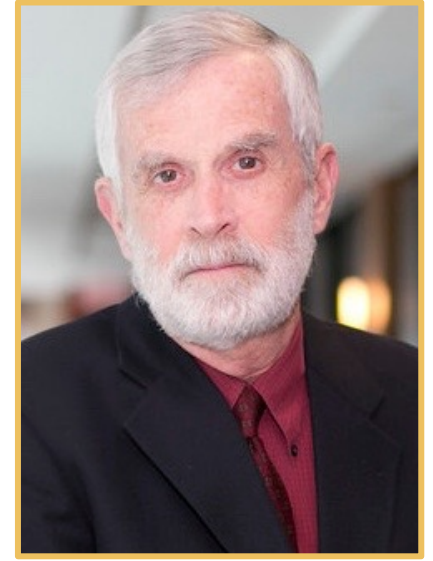
Balancing Compassion, Justice and Religious Beliefs

*2016 Currie Lecture with Dr. Thupten Jinpa
Professor Michael J. Perry, Respondent*



Dr. Thupten Jinpa

Founder and President, Institute of Tibetan Classics; Principle English Translator for His Holiness the Dalai Lama; author; and member of the Faculty of Religious Studies, McGill University, Montreal



Prof. Michael J. Perry

Robert W. Woodruff University Chair; Senior Fellow, Center for the Study of Law and Religion; author; and Co-Editor of the *Journal of Law and Religion*

A defining character of the modern system of justice, especially in a liberal democracy, is its supposed unbiased secular nature. Yet the reality is that a society's justice system is underpinned by values that are moral in nature. Drawing both from Buddhist philosophy as well as the historical example of Emperor Ashoka's rule (second century BCE), Dr. Jinpa will present some perspectives on how the tensions between religious beliefs and values on the one hand, and the public space of governance and justice, on the other, is understood and negotiated in Buddhism. A particular focus will be the perceived conflict between the demands of compassion and of justice.

Wednesday, March 23 7:30 – 9:00 pm

Michael C. Carlos Museum Reception Hall, Emory University

Free and Open to the Public but Registration is Required: <http://bit.do/Currie-Lecture>

Sponsored by:

Overton and Lavona Currie & Members of the Currie Family
The Center for the Study of Law and Religion at Emory
The Emory-Tibet Partnership • The Michael C. Carlos Museum