

# GAMBLING AND THE AMERICAN MORAL LANDSCAPE

OCTOBER 25-26, 2007  
BOSTON COLLEGE

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2007

1:00 - 3:30 PM

### THE NEW POLITICS & POLICY OF GAMBLING

Ends and Means in State Lotteries: The Importance of a Good Cause

*Charles T. Clotfelter and Philip J. Cook (Duke University)*

The Politics of Sovereignty and the Federal Role in Gambling

*Michael Nelson (Rhodes College)*

The Morality of Indian Gaming: Negotiating a Different Terrain

*Kathryn R.L. Rand and Steven A. Light (University of North Dakota)*

#### Discussant

R. Shep Melnick (Boston College)

#### Chair

Kenneth Himes, O.F.M. (Boston College)

3:45 - 6:15 PM

### INDIVIDUAL BEHAVIOR, SOCIAL IMPACT

Behavioral Measures of Risk-Taking

*Rachel T.A. Croson (University of Texas, Dallas), James Sundali (University of Nevada, Reno), and Matthew Fox (University of Nevada, Reno)*

Gambling with the Family?

*John P. Hoffmann (Brigham Young University)*

A Neuropsychiatric Perspective on Gambling and Morality

*Marc Potenza (Yale University)*

#### Discussant

John Dombink (University of California, Irvine)

#### Chair

Joseph Quinn (Boston College)

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2007

9:00 - 11:30 AM

### THEOLOGY, GAMBLING AND RISK

The Memory of Sin

*William Galston (Brookings Institution)*

Grace and Gambling

*Kathryn Tanner (University of Chicago)*

Christianity and the (Criminal) Gambling Enterprise

*David A. Skeel, Jr. (University of Pennsylvania) and William Stuntz (Harvard University)*

#### Discussant

Dwayne E. Carpenter (Boston College)

#### Chair

Judith Wilt (Boston College)

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### GAMBLING IN AMERICAN CULTURE

The Tale of Two "Sins": Regulation of Gambling and Tobacco

*Richard McGowan, S.J. (Boston College)*

Beyond Pathology: The Cultural Meanings of Gambling

*T. J. Jackson Lears (Rutgers University)*

The Culture War Issue that Never Was: Why the Right and Left Have Overlooked Gambling

*Alan Wolfe (Boston College)*

#### Discussant

Steven A. Light (University of North Dakota)

#### Chair

David Quigley (Boston College)