Supreme Court Justice Discusses ‘American Law and New Global Realities’ at UNF

The World Affairs Council of Jacksonville and the University of North Florida will co-host an evening with The Honorable Stephen G. Breyer, associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 22, 2018, at the UNF Arena, Building 34. He will discuss “The Court and the World: American Law and the New Global Realities.” This event is part of the Presidential Lecture Series, supported by the UNF Foundation and co-hosted by the World Affairs Council of Jacksonville’s Global Issues Evenings.

Justice Breyer was nominated by President Bill Clinton as associate justice of the Supreme Court and took his seat in 1994. Between 1980 and 1990, he served as a judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit and as its chief judge from 1990 to 1994. He also served as a member of the Judicial Conference of the United States and of the United States Sentencing Commission.

In 1973, Justice Breyer served as an assistant special prosecutor of the Watergate Special Prosecution Force and as special counsel of the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee between 1974 and 1975, serving as chief counsel of the committee from 1979 to 1980. In the mid-60s, he served as a law clerk to Justice Arthur Goldberg of the Supreme Court of the United States and as a special assistant to the Assistant U.S. Attorney General for Antitrust.

Prior to serving in the Supreme Court, Justice Breyer was an assistant professor/professor of law and lecturer at Harvard Law School for 27 years as well as a professor at the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government for three years. Additionally, he was a visiting professor at the College of Law in Sydney, Australia, and at the University of Rome. He received undergraduate degrees from Harvard Law School, Stanford University and Magdalen College, Oxford.
Complimentary tickets are required for this Presidential Lecture. E-tickets will be available Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2018, at www.unf.edu/lectures or at (904) 620-2117. For those with a disability that require an accommodation, such as disability parking for this occasion, call (904) 620-2117 five days before the event to provide a reasonable accommodation for the event.

For more information, visit the World Affairs Council’s website at www.worldaffairscounciljax.org or UNF’s Distinguished Voices Lecture Series webpage at www.unf.edu/lectures.

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