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"Rabbinic Conceptions of Civil Society: Problems and Possibilities"

by Suzanne Last Stone



Tuesday November 30, 5pm, 10 Lenox St.

Suzanne Last Stone, University Professor of Jewish Law and Contemporary Civilization at Yeshiva University will present:

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Suzanne Last Stone is University Professor of Jewish Law and Contemporary Civilization at Yeshiva University, Professor of Law, and Director of the Center for Jewish Law and Contemporary Civilization at Cardozo Law School. She has held the Gruss Visiting Chair in Talmudic Civil Law at both the Harvard and University of Pennsylvania Law Schools, and also has visited at Princeton, Columbia Law, Hebrew University Law, and Tel Aviv Law.

She is a graduate of Princeton University and Columbia University Law School and was a Danforth Fellow in 1974 in Jewish History and Classical Religions at Yale University. In addition to teaching course in Jewish Law and Political Thought and Jewish Law and American Legal Theory, she currently teaches Federal Courts and Law, Religion and the State.

Stone is the co-editor-in-chief of Diné Israel, a peer review Journal of Jewish Law, co-edited with Tel Aviv Law School. She is also on the editorial boards of the Jewish Quarterly Review and of Hebraic Political Studies. Professor Stone writes and lectures on the intersection of Jewish law and legal theory. Her publications include: "In Pursuit of the Counter-text: The Turn to the Jewish Legal Model in Contemporary American Legal Theory," (Harvard Law Review); "The Jewish Conception of Civil Society," in Alternative Conceptions of Civil Society (Princeton University Press); "Feminism and the Rabbinic Conception of Justice" in Women and Gender in Jewish Philosophy (Indiana University); and "Rabbinic Legal Magic," (Yale Journal of Law & Humanities).

This event will be held in the first floor conference room at 10 Lenox Street, Brookline. If you have any questions, please email us at <u>cura@bu.edu</u>.