

# Essex CAJI Presents: a Discussion with Professor Lawrence Sager

Essex Constitutional and Administrative Justice Initiative is excited and honoured to welcome Professor Lawrence Sager who will be joining us here at the University of Essex from the University of Texas at Austin, School of Law.

Professor Sager will be kindly sharing and discussing his research:

## *Justice-Seeking/Justice-Seeking*

Most constitutions plainly have as one of their ends the goal of reducing injustice in the community they constitute. But this is a puzzle. In any community with which we are familiar, now or in the past, it would be naïve to think that preserving things just as they are would be the way to best resist injustice. We are a flawed species, and working towards justice requires change for the better. But how can that be achieved by invoking a source of law that is distinguished by its obduracy to change? That constitutions are in part *Justice-Seeking* is obvious; but what must we understand about constitutional meaning and practice to explain how a constitution can succeed at *Justice-Seeking*?

Please do join us for this hybrid event!

Date: 17 June 2026

From: 13:00 – 14:00 (UK time)

Place: Register [here](#) to join online via  
Zoom Webinar