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## **New CALI Constitutional Law Fellowship Unites Leading Faculty to Shape the Future of Constitutional Law Teaching**

**Supported by a \$1 Million Grant from Once Upon a Time Foundation**

Chicago, IL, January 6, 2026 - The **Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI)** today announced the formation of the **CALI Constitutional Law Fellowship**, a faculty fellowship designed to expand and strengthen teaching resources for professors instructing Constitutional Law. The Fellowship is supported by a portion of a **\$1 million grant from the Once Upon a Time Foundation**, underscoring a shared commitment to advancing legal education through innovation and collaboration.

"Constitutional Law is a challenging area for legal education and we have assembled a fantastic cadre of experienced faculty to create new, rigorous, interactive tutorials for CALI," John Mayer, Executive Director, CALI.

The core mission of the CALI Constitutional Law Fellowship is to develop a comprehensive, peer-created collection of new CALI Lessons focused on Constitutional Law. These lessons will complement and expand CALI's existing offerings, helping students master foundational doctrines and landmark cases, engage with emerging trends in constitutional jurisprudence, and practice applying constitutional principles in realistic contexts. For faculty, the Fellowship delivers high-quality, ready-to-assign instructional resources that can be seamlessly integrated into Constitutional Law courses available by the Fall 2026 semester.

### **A Fellowship Designed by and for Constitutional Law Faculty**

Experienced Constitutional Law professors from CALI member schools will work together to identify priority topics and create new lessons. Fellows must be full-time faculty with at least five years of experience teaching Constitutional Law. Each Fellow will write five lessons and take part in peer review to ensure quality and coverage of important topics.

The Fellowship launches with an in-person kickoff meeting on January 9 and continues through July 2026, combining three in-person convenings with interim Zoom meetings. This model is designed to accelerate production while fostering deep collaboration across institutions.

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