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The Supreme Court and the Civil War Revisited

The Leon Silverman Lecture Series
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**May 1, 2014**
6:00 PM

*Dred Scott in Context*

Lea VanderVelde

**May 8, 2014**
6:00 PM

*Touched With Fire: Justice Holmes and the Civil War*

A Discussion with
James McPherson and
G. Edward White

Moderated by Brad Snyder

**October 16, 2014**
6:00 PM

*Roger B. Taney, the Slave Power and the Meaning of the Emancipation*

Timothy Huebner

**November 13, 2014**
6:00 PM

*President Lincoln, the Supreme Court and the Civil War*

Lucas Morel

All lectures are held in the Supreme Court Chamber and are followed by a reception.
ABOUT THE SERIES
The 2014 Leon Silverman Lecture Series focuses on the Supreme Court and the Civil War. This topic was first explored by the Society in a lecture series in 1994. Twenty years later, in the midst of the observance of the 150th anniversary of the Civil War, this series will explore themes of the Court and the origins of the war and its immediate and long-term impact.

LOCATION
These events will be held at the Supreme Court of the United States, One First Street NE, Washington, DC. Due to security requirements, government-issued photo identification such as a driver’s license or passport must be presented for admittance to each of the lectures.

RESERVATIONS
Tickets for the complete series are $100. Tickets to individual lectures are $30 each. Advance reservation is required; seating is limited. The Society confirms all requests for reservations in writing.

Reservations for the entire series will be given priority. Please call 202-543-0400 to make reservations.