

# Ruby R. Vale Interschool Corporate Moot Court Competition Distinguished Scholar Lecture



## Confronting the Perpetual Litigation Machine

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Ruby R. Vale Moot Courtroom  
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### Confronting the Perpetual Litigation Machine

The Delaware model of corporate law is regulation by litigation, and that model is in crisis. Rent seeking abounds. Nuisance claims proliferate. And shareholders are forced to part with potentially valuable litigation rights for no real consideration. After discussing why Delaware has failed to solve the problem, Professor Griffith's talk will offer alternatives, ultimately addressing whether another jurisdiction might be able to offer an alternative model of corporate law that addresses the endemic problems of regulation by litigation.

**Professor Sean J. Griffith** is a graduate of Sarah Lawrence College and received his law degree magna cum laude from the Harvard Law School. Currently, Professor Griffith teaches at Fordham University School of Law and serves as the T. J. Maloney Chair in Business Law. In addition, he is the Director of the Fordham Corporate Law Center. His expertise includes both corporate and securities law, which stems from his time in private practice at Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz in New York and more recently his experience as a shareholder advocate objecting to settlements of merger class actions, both in Delaware and elsewhere.

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