



“51 Imperfect Solutions”

On **Tuesday, October 30, 2018**, the **Honorable Jeffrey Stuart Sutton** of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit will be at the Baltimore Bar Library to discuss his new book “**51 Imperfect Solutions: States And The Making Of American Constitutional Law.**”

When we think of constitutional law, we invariably think of the United States Supreme Court and the federal court system. Yet much of our constitutional law is not made at the federal level. In *51 Imperfect Solutions*, Judge Sutton argues that American Constitutional Law should account for the role of the state courts and state constitutions, together with the federal courts and the federal constitution, in protecting individual liberties. In his book Judge Sutton concentrates on four areas of constitutional law: equal protection; criminal procedure; privacy; and free speech and free exercise of religion.

The Honorable Jeffrey Stuart Sutton received his commission to the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit on May 5, 2003. Judge Sutton was a partner with the law firm of Jones Day Reavis & Pogue in Columbus, Ohio, and served as State Solicitor of the State of Ohio. He also served as a law clerk to the Honorable Lewis F. Powell, Jr. (Ret.), the Honorable Antonin Scalia and the Honorable Thomas J. Meskill. His published works include *The Certiorari Process and State Court Decisions*, 131 Harv. L. Rev. F. 167 (2018); *Courts as Change Agents: Do We Want More — Or Less?*, 127 Harv. L. Rev. 1419 (2014); *What Does—and Does Not—Ail State Constitutional Law*, 59 U. Kan. L. Rev. 687 (2011); *State Constitutional Law: The Modern Experience* (2010); *The Role of History in Judging Disputes About the Meaning of the Constitution*, 41 Tex. Tech L. Rev. 1173 (2009); and *Why Teach—And Why Study—State Constitutional Law*, 34 Okla. City U. L. Rev. 165 (2009).

Place: Mitchell Courthouse – 100 North Calvert Street – Main Reading Room of the Bar Library (Room 618, Mitchell Courthouse).

Time: 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 30, 2018.

Reception: Catering by DiPasquale’s featuring their famous prosciutto, cod fish, fruits and cheeses.

Invitees: All are welcome to this **free event**.

R.S.V.P.: If you would like to attend telephone the Library at 410-727-0280 or reply by e-mail to jwbennett@barlib.org.