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MADISON LAWYERS CHAPTER AND THE MACIVER INSTITUTE PRESENT:

## *Citizens United: The Future of Campaign Finance and Political Speech*

PANEL INCLUDES:

### **Prof. Bradley Smith**

**Josiah H. Blackmore II/Shirley M. Nault Designated  
Professor of Law, Capital University Law School  
Former Federal Elections Commissioner**

### **Lester Pines**

**Senior Partner, Cullen Weston Pines & Bach, LLP  
Adjunct Professor, UW Law School**

### **Prof. John Coleman**

**Chair, Political Science Department  
University of Wisconsin-Madison**

**Tuesday, October 12, 2010  
12:00 p.m.**

## **Madison Club – Terrace Room**

5 East Wilson Street

Madison, WI

\$15.00 (includes lunch)

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**Please RSVP by Friday, October 8 to:**

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**About this event:** *On January 21, 2010, the U.S. Supreme Court issued its landmark decision, [Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission](#), holding that corporate funding of independent political broadcasts in elections cannot be limited under the First Amendment. The decision struck down a provision of the McCain-Feingold law that prohibited all corporations, both for-profit and non-profit, and unions from broadcasting “electioneering communications” prior to elections. The 5-4 decision has caused considerable controversy. President Barack Obama assailed the Supreme Court’s decision during his State of the Union speech. Numerous groups, on the other hand, cheered the decision calling it a victory for free speech. The panel will discuss pros and cons of the decision, and what effect, if any, it has had (or will have) on campaign spending in elections.*

**Prof. John Coleman** is the Chair of the Department of Political Science at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Professor Coleman has been at the university since 1992 and has received the Chancellor’s Distinguished Teaching Award. He is the author and editor of several books and numerous articles on topics such as political parties, public knowledge in elections, the politics of economic policy, and campaign finance.

**Lester A. Pines** is a Senior Partner with the law firm Cullen, Weston, Pines & Bach, LLP. Mr. Pines is also an adjunct professor at the UW Law School. Mr. Pines has successfully argued numerous cases before the Wisconsin Supreme Court and Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals. Mr. Pines is a Master in the James E. Doyle Chapter of the American Inns of Court.

**Prof. Bradley Smith** is a 2010 recipient of the Bradley Prize, and is one of the nation’s leading authorities on election law and campaign finance. In 2000, he was nominated by President Clinton to fill a Republican-designated seat on the Federal Election Commission, where he served for five years, including serving as Chairman of the Commission in 2004. Professor Smith has been on the Capital University Law School faculty since 1993. He also has taught law at George Mason University in Virginia.