

## **Critical Acclaim for Awakening from the Dream**

"This important book weaves the plight of real people with incisive legal essays documenting the devastating impact of the Supreme Court's Federalism Revolution on our society. Deceptively benign-sounding and little-known by the public, that Revolution has left many of the poor, the elderly, the disabled, and minorities outside the protection of national civil rights legislation. *Awakening from the Dream* tells us about the problem but also offers us some solutions."

—**Bill Lann Lee**

**Former Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights**

"At its heart, federalism is about the ways that the assertion or non-assertion of government power affects people's lives. *Awakening from the Dream* moves the stories of the people who have been hurt by the Supreme Court's ongoing Federalism Revolution to the center of the important conversation about our increasingly right wing courts."

—**Theodore M. Shaw**

**Director-Counsel and President, NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund**

"It's about time! *Awakening from the Dream* invites non-lawyers into the ongoing debate about the fate of the American court system. This is crucial during the current era of unprecedented battles over the filibuster option and Supreme Court vacancies. We must now expand the group of individuals who are able to understand the issues, participate in the discussions, and help decide vital questions about justice and equality."

—**Nadine Strossen**

**President, American Civil Liberties Union  
Professor of Law, New York Law School**

"*Awakening from the Dream* reaffirms the faith that the arc of history bends towards justice. The essays in this collection show what a coalition formed in that belief would look like and what its intellectual and practical tasks would be. A must read."

—**Gerald Torres**

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