



# **CALL FOR PAPERS**

## **RC09 (Comparative Judicial Studies)**

### **2024 Interim Meeting**

The University of Texas at Austin  
Austin, Texas

Welcome Reception: Thursday, 24 October, 6:30-7:30pm

Full-Day Panels: Friday and Saturday, 25-26 October

## **CONFERENCE THEME: Courts and their Interactions with Politics**

**Convenor and Host**: Rhonda Evans, The University of Texas at Austin, United States

**Treasurer**: Christopher Zorn, Penn State University, United States

We welcome paper and panel proposals for the 2024 Interim Meeting of the Research Committee on Comparative Judicial Studies. The meeting will be in-person. It's open to all scholars interested in the study of law and courts from comparative and national perspectives. The meeting's theme is **Courts and their Interactions with Politics**. We seek papers that address interactions between courts and politics broadly conceived, such as interactions between courts and other political actors and branches of government as well as how courts address divisive political issues, such as those related to the rise of populism, democratic backsliding, climate change, and technological developments like social media and artificial intelligence. Papers may analyse how courts are influenced by politics or how politics influence courts or legal and judicial systems. We also welcome papers that reflect on the current state of the comparative law and courts literature and its ability to address contemporary developments and those that employ innovative methodological approaches.

While papers and panels that engage this theme are especially welcome, proposals on other topics in the field of comparative judicial studies, such as those listed below, will also be accepted.

- Judicial Independence
- Courts, Tribunals, and the Rule of Law
- Judicial versus Executive or Legislative Power
- Courts and Constitutional Democracy
- Judicial Philosophies
- Supreme Courts and Domestic Politics
- Judicial Networks and Domestic Politics
- Legal Databases/Methodological Considerations
- International Legal Mobilization
- Diffusion and Borrowing of Legal Norms
- Supranational and International Regimes
- Courts and Technology

Submit your proposal (including your full name, professional position and institutional affiliation, paper title, and 500-word abstract) by **April 2, 2024** to [ResearchCommittee09@gmail.com](mailto:ResearchCommittee09@gmail.com). Panel proposals should provide the same details for all papers. For updates on conference details, including availability of a limited number of travel grants, please visit <http://rc09.ipsa.org/>.