As the largest urban center on the Chesapeake, Baltimore is the ideal setting to hold a yearly conference about saving the bay. The University of Baltimore School of Law is proud to announce the creation of just such a program: “The Bay in Crisis: Saving the Chesapeake.” Experts and policymakers will speak annually about programs to save and restore the bay and the additional steps necessary to rejuvenate the Chesapeake. This year’s symposium addresses the specific question: Is bay pollution overwhelming our regulatory system?

Panelists will address the Chesapeake crisis from several different angles. The first panel will discuss Maryland’s efforts to reverse the harmful effects of pollutants and pollution via individualized state programs as well as those in cooperation with the multistate Chesapeake Bay Agreements. The second panel will assess how well the current programs are working and offer modifications. The final panel will evaluate the federal government’s efforts to protect the bay, both through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Chesapeake Bay Program and the federal Clean Water Act.

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Schedule of Events

8 a.m. OPENING REMARKS
Phillip J. Closius
Dean
University of Baltimore School of Law

INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
Robert L. Bogomolny
President
University of Baltimore

KEYNOTE ADDRESS:
Benjamin L. Cardin
U.S. Senator of Maryland

8:45 a.m. PANEL 1
Maryland’s Programs to Protect the Chesapeake Bay from Pollutants and Pollution

MODERATOR:
Steven A.G. Davison
Professor
University of Baltimore School of Law

SPEAKERS:
John R. Griffin
Secretary
Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Shari T. Wilson
Secretary
Maryland Department of the Environment

Richard Eberhart Hall
Secretary
Maryland Department of Planning

10:15 a.m. BREAK

10:30 a.m. PANEL 2
Citizens’ Perspectives on Protecting the Bay

MODERATOR:
Ann Powers
Associate Professor
Pace University School of Law
White Plains, N.Y.

SPEAKERS:
William C. Baker
President
Chesapeake Bay Foundation

J. Charles Fox
Senior Officer
Pew Charitable Trusts;
Former Secretary
Maryland Department of Natural Resources;
Former Assistant Administrator of Water
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Tom Horton
Co-author of Turning the Tide and numerous other books and articles on the Chesapeake Bay and its problems

noon KEYNOTE ADDRESS
INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
Wim Wiewel
Provost
University of Baltimore

KEYNOTE ADDRESS:
Douglas F. Gansler
Maryland Attorney General

12:45 p.m. BREAK FOR LUNCH

1:30 p.m. PANEL 3
The Federal Government’s Programs to Protect the Bay from Pollution

MODERATOR:
Audrey McFarlane
Associate Professor
University of Baltimore School of Law

SPEAKERS:
Jeffrey Lape
Director
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Chesapeake Bay Program

Chris Van Hollen
U.S. Representative from Maryland’s 8th District

2:45 p.m. CLOSING

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