JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE is a cornerstone of American society. However, aspects of judicial independence are also controversial, sparking pockets of opposition. The collection of distinguished speakers at the Inaugural Ryan Forum will explore judicial independence from a variety of angles. For example, how can accountability enhance judicial independence? Furthermore, what is the connection between judicial independence and modes of judicial selection?
8:00-9:00 Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00-9:15 Welcome, Introduction and Background
Dean Mark A. Sargent and PBA President Ken Horoho

9:15-10:45 Judicial Independence in Perspective
Moderated by Dean Mark A. Sargent, Villanova University School of Law
The Honorable Marjorie O. Rendell, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
The Honorable Stephen J. McEwen, Jr., President Judge Emeritus, Superior Court of Pennsylvania
Jane L. Dalton, Chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association
Ken Horoho, PBA President
Questions and Answers

10:45-11:00 Break

11:00-12:30 Judicial Accountability
Moderated by PBA President-elect Andrew Susko
The Honorable Rebecca Love Kourlis, former Justice, Colorado Supreme Court; Executive Director, Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System, University of Denver
Penelope Pether, Professor of Law, Villanova University School of Law
David B. Rotman, Principal Court Research Consultant, National Center for State Courts
Questions and Answers

12:30-1:30 Lunch
Delegates Restaurant, National Constitution Center
(Voucher included in registration fee)

1:30-3:15 The Link Between Judicial Selection and Judicial Independence
Moderated by Associate Dean Doris DelTosto Brogan, Villanova University School of Law
Darren Breslin, Pennsylvania Commission on Judicial Independence
The Honorable Thomas G. Saylor, Justice, Pennsylvania Supreme Court
The Honorable Roberto A. Rivera-Soto, Associate Justice, New Jersey Supreme Court
Questions and Answers

3:15-3:30 Closing Remarks
Dean Mark Sargent & President-elect Andrew Susko
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