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## THE GREEN AMENDMENT: HOW IT WILL CHANGE NEW YORK'S ENVIRONMENTAL FUTURE

January 13th, 2022 6:30 pm ET

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GREEN AMENDMENTS  
FOR THE GENERATIONS  
Pure Water. Clean Air. Healthy Environment.

In 2021, New York State voters chose to add the green amendment to the state bill of rights. The right to clean air, water, and a healthful environment is now a part of our constitution. What does this actually mean for the legal process? This panel will explore the concrete ways the green amendment will change New York's environmental quality.



**Maya K. van Rossum**

Maya K. van Rossum is the founder of Green Amendments For The Generations, a national nonprofit organization dedicated to inspiring a movement to amend state constitutions to recognize and protect environmental rights on par with other inalienable civic and political freedoms. Maya has also served as the Delaware Riverkeeper for 28 years and is author of the book *The Green Amendment: Securing Our Right to a Healthy Environment*.



**Nicholas Robinson**

Professor Nicholas Robinson has developed environmental law since 1969, when he was named to the Legal Advisory Committee of the President's Council on Environmental Quality. He founded Pace's environmental law programs, and is author of several books and numerous articles. He served as General Counsel to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. As Legal Advisor to the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN), he has advanced the right to go the environment in several countries.



**Seth A. Davis**

Seth A. Davis has practiced environmental law for over 40 years in corporations, law firms, and now as a solo practitioner. He is a former Chair of the American Bar Association's Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources Law, and is a member of the ABA House of Delegates representing that section. He has taught for many years as an adjunct professor at the Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University, and is a former board member of Hudson River Sloop Clearwater.