

Wireless Hazards Panel

An Emerging Public Health and Environmental Issue Tuesday, December 1st – 12:10-1:15 p.m. – JGH 104 (*Jerome Greene Hall*)

Faculty and students are invited to attend a panel discussion on an important emerging public health issue related to wireless technologies at 12:10 p.m. on Tuesday, December 1st in Jerome Green Hall #104 at Columbia Law School. Panelists will include **Whitney North Seymour, Jr., Esq.** who is former NY State Senator and U.S. Attorney, Southern District of NY, and co-founder of the Natural Resources Defense Council; Health Advocate **Camilla Rees, MBA** (Barnard '80), co-author of *"Public Health SOS: The Shadow Side of the Wireless Revolution"*, co-author of *"Cellphones and Brain Tumors: 15 Reasons for Concern"* and Founder of www.ElectromagneticHealth.org; and **Martin Blank, PhD** of the Department of Physiology and Cellular Biophysics at Columbia University, who is past President of the Bioelectromagnetics Society. The panel will give an overview of **1)** the new condition, "electrohypersensitivity", where people become functionally impaired and sometimes disabled near wireless technologies, such as cell phones, cell towers, DECT portable phones, RFID tags and wireless routers; **2)** known biological effects of microwave radiation; and **3)** the legal battles being fought across the country and the globe related to this rapidly proliferating invisible environmental pollutant.

Learn:

- How the Telecommunications Act of 1996 took away the ability of state and local governments to protect people from wireless hazards.
- Why the European Parliament has recommended greatly lowered exposure guidelines, including wireless-free schools, day care centers, retirement homes and health care facilities.
- Why countries around the globe are recommending limited cell phone use by children.
- What the impact of microwave radiation is on animals and wildlife.
- How the telecommunications industry is responding.
- How lawyers and law students can make a difference.

Understand why this is a **critical issue** for our country to address now, including **1)** links to many chronic and serious illnesses, which are expected to increase with chronic exposures; **2)** plans to blanket metropolitan areas in Wi-Max, a high powered form of wi-fi, **3)** federal commitment to a National Broadband Plan which is comprised heavily of wireless technologies; and **4)** new radiation-emitting utility technologies being deployed in SmartGrids, bringing an additional layer of radiation onto electrical wiring.

Join us for this most interesting discussion with experts at the forefront of this field. Attendees will receive a copy of the new book by Camilla Rees and Magda Havas, PhD, *"Public Health SOS: The Shadow Side of the Wireless Revolution"*.