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5/09/07--Professors Bild and Jones explore connections between Corporate Law and the Constitution.

5/09/07--Two BC Law professors in different academic fields saw their intellectual interests converge when one decided to start a blog about Corporate Law and Democracy.

Professor Mary Bilder is a legal historian whose article The Corporate Origins of Judicial Review was published recently in the Yale Law Journal. In her article Professor Bilder argues that the American tradition of judicial review originated with the early English practice of reviewing corporate bylaws for ?repugnancy? with the laws of England.

Professor Renee Jones is a corporate scholar who has written on the interaction of federal and state law in regulating corporations. In her work Professor Jones has argued that providing multiple levels of regulation (state and federal, for example) can help to protect important democratic values.

When Professor Jones decided to create a blog called Corporate Law and Democracy, she saw Bilder?s article as an ideal vehicle for introducing the blog?s themes and objectives. As Jones stated in her blog, ?The aim of fostering interdisciplinary discussion about corporations and democracy could not be better served than by introducing the recent article by my colleague Mary Sarah Bilder."

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