DEMOCRATIC GREATNESS?
TOCQUEVILLE ON AMERICAN AMBITION

THE JOHN MARSHALL INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF STATESMANSHIP

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May 11-13, 2017
Thursday, May 11

4:30 p.m. Democratic Greatness? Tocqueville on American Ambition lecture by Robert K. Faulkner in the Weinstein Hall, Brown-Alley Room on the University of Richmond campus.

6 p.m. Reception and dinner

Friday, May 12

8:30 – 9 a.m. Continental breakfast available

9 - 10:30 a.m. Welcome and Session I: Ambition Subordinated: Popular Sovereignty, the Social State, and Social Self-Governing
Democracy in America (DA I “Introduction” (pp. 3-15), “Social State of the Anglo-Americans,” “On the Principle of the Sovereignty of the People in America” (I i 3, 4; pp. 45-55); Local Institutions and Self-Governing (I i 5-7; pp. 61-64, 65-93)

10:30 – 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Session II: Officials Controlling and Controlled, Institutionally and Politically

12:15 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch

1:15 – 3:30 p.m. Guests are invited to take a private tour of John Marshall House downtown


6 p.m. Dinner

Saturday, May 13

8:30 – 9 a.m. Continental breakfast available
9 - 10:30 a.m.  Session IV: Leadership Private and Public, Dangerous and Timid

10:30 – 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.  Session V: Dangerous Dominations: Industrial Oligarchs and the Service State

12:15 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch