In the early nineteenth century, the Shawnee Trail conveyed cattle from Texas pasture-lands to Missouri railheads and thence the nation. Over the past decade, the Shawnee Trail Conference has provided a serious but convivial setting for scholars working on topics related to American politics or constitutionalism to exchange ideas with colleagues. The ninth annual conference aims to continue this tradition, fostering intellectual connections via roundtable presentation of papers circulated in advance of the meeting. This year’s conference will be hosted – on a Friday – at the University of Missouri in Columbia, MO.

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS
We are currently accepting proposals from scholars at all ranks in departments of political science, history, law and related disciplines. We welcome papers on all aspects of American Politics and Constitutionalism, broadly defined to encompass political and constitutional development, political thought, and public law. To apply, please send a short abstract to Aric_Gooch@baylor.edu by January 31, 2023. We will make formal invitations to the conference in early February and ask that working papers be distributed in early April.

Information on hotel accommodations will follow. The Kinder Institute will provide lunch and dinner on Friday, April 28th, as well as host an informal dinner on Thursday for those able to attend. The weekend is yours!

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