

DATE: Wednesday, January 17, 2018

PLACE: Piccadilly Cafeteria 2222 Clearview Parkway, Metairie LA

Directions: <https://goo.gl/maps/jHNEuQBmwDy>

SPEAKER: James B. Conroy

SUBJECT: “Lincoln’s White House – The People’s House in War Time”

TIME: 6:30 p.m. Social

7:00 p.m. Optional Dinner On Your Own.

8:30 p.m. End – Cafeteria closes at 8:30 p.m.!

OUR SPEAKER: James B. Conroy is a co-founder of the law firm Donnelly, Conroy & Gelhaar, LLP. His practice is concentrated in employment litigation and counseling, business litigation, whistleblower litigation, and internal corporate and institutional investigations. He has broad experience in state and federal trial and appellate courts, agency proceedings, arbitrations, and mediations. His legal writing has been published in *The Massachusetts Law Review* and the *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*.

THE SUBJECT: The White House in early 1861 was very different in many ways from the history and image of the White House that has evolved over many decades. President Lincoln worked in an office that could be hot or cold as per the outside weather. Politicians and would-be politicians were constantly seeking to win favor from Lincoln or the government. Widows, soldiers, tourists and newspaper men were constantly in and out, most of the time without an appointment to see Lincoln or any of his cabinet or staff.

President and Mrs. Lincoln’s three sons were often running through rooms in the White House.

Jim Conroy has done much research and produced an interesting book. If you are interested, please bring cash as some copies will be available for purchase.