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## JOHN C. BOGLE AND PETER J. WALLISON DISCUSS THE CAUSES BEHIND THE ECONOMIC CRISIS DURING THE 7<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TEMPLETON LECTURE AT THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER

Philadelphia, PA (April 22, 2009) – The National Constitution Center’s Seventh Annual John M. Templeton, Jr. Lecture on Economic Liberties and the Constitution will consider the social, cultural, and moral causes of the current recession in the United States. Delivering this year’s lecture, titled “The Culture that Gave Rise to the Current Financial Crisis,” will be **John C. Bogle**, Chairman Emeritus of the Constitution Center and founder of the Vanguard Group, with a response from **Peter J. Wallison**, Arthur F. Burns Fellow in Financial Policy Studies at the American Enterprise Institute. This event will take place on Wednesday, May 13, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free, but reservations are required and can be made by calling 215.409.6700.

John C. Bogle, Chairman Emeritus of the National Constitution Center, is founder of The Vanguard Group, Inc., and President of the Bogle Financial Markets Research Center. He created Vanguard in 1974 and served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer until 1996 and Senior Chairman until 2000. Bogle is also the best-selling author of *Bogle on Mutual funds: New Perspectives for the Intelligent Investor*, *Common Sense on Mutual Funds: New Imperatives for the Intelligent Investor*, *John Bogle on Investing: The First 50 Years*, *Character Counts: The Creation and Building of The Vanguard Group*, and *Battle for the Soul of Capitalism*.

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As the Arthur F. Burns Fellow in Financial Policy Studies, and co-director of the American Enterprise Institute's program on financial markets deregulation, **Peter J. Wallison** studies banking, insurance, and Wall Street regulation. As general counsel of the U.S. Treasury department, he had a significant role in the development of the Reagan administration's proposals for the deregulation of the financial services industry. He was also general counsel of the Depository Institutions Deregulation Committee and later served as White House counsel to President Ronald Reagan. His latest book is *Competitive Equity: A Better Way to Organize Mutual Funds*.

**Douglas W. Kmiec** will moderate the program. Kmiec is a Professor of Constitutional Law and the Caruso Family Chair in Constitutional Law at the Pepperdine University School of Law. He also serves on the executive committee of the National Constitution Center's Distinguished Scholars Advisory Panel. Kmiec served Presidents Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush from 1985 to 1989 as constitutional legal counsel (Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, U.S. Department of Justice).

**John M. Templeton, Jr., M.D.** is President of the John Templeton Foundation, and directs all Foundation activities in pursuit of its core mission to serve as a philanthropic catalyst for discovery in areas engaging life's biggest questions in science and philosophy. He works closely with the Foundation's staff and international board of advisors of more than 50 leading scholars, scientists, researchers, and theologians to develop substantive programs in this endeavor. Dr. Templeton has been actively involved in the Foundation since its inception in 1987. In 1995, he retired from his medical practice to serve full-time as president of the Foundation.

The Annual John M. Templeton Jr. Lecture showcases the best constitutional minds in America as they discuss economic liberties in a forum open to the public.

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The National Constitution Center, located at 525 Arch St. on Philadelphia's Independence Mall, is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing public understanding of the U.S. Constitution and the ideas and values it represents. The Center serves as a museum, an education center, and a forum for debate on constitutional issues. The museum dramatically tells the story of the Constitution from Revolutionary times to the present through more than 100 interactive, multimedia exhibits, film, photographs, text, sculpture and artifacts, and features a powerful, award-winning theatrical performance, "Freedom Rising". The Center also houses the Annenberg Center for Education and Outreach, which serves as the hub for national constitutional education. Also, as a nonpartisan forum for constitutional discourse, the Center presents – without endorsement – programs that contain diverse viewpoints on a broad range of issues. For more information, call 215.409.6700 or visit [www.constitutioncenter.org](http://www.constitutioncenter.org).

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