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“NOT IMPRISONMENT IN A LEGAL SENSE”:

THE INVENTION OF IMMIGRANT DETENTION, 1892-1896

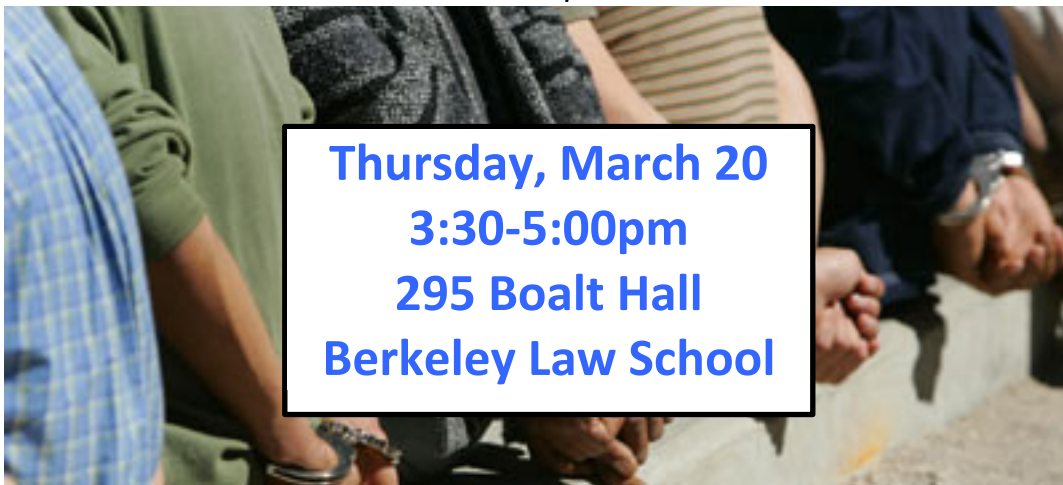
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Immigrant detention is, today, the single-largest dimension of human confinement operated by the U.S. Federal government. Yet immigrant detention is often forgotten as a pillar of the nation's carceral regime. This strange omission is rooted in a decision made one century ago by the U.S. Supreme Court, which determined that human confinement in the pursuit of deportation is "not imprisonment in a legal sense." This paper excavates the origins of immigrant detention as a practice of human confinement that operates, in a legal sense, separate and apart from imprisonment but fills the nation's jails, prisons, and detention facilities.

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