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SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES



Zainah Anwar

Zainah Anwar is a founding member and former Executive Director of Sisters in Islam (SIS), a non-governmental organisation working on the rights of Muslim

women within the framework of Islam. She is now on the Board of SIS and is the Director of Musawah, the SIS-initiated Global Movement for Equality and Justice in the Muslim Family. She also writes a monthly column, Sharing the Nation, for the Star, the largest English- language daily in Malaysia. Sisters in Islam is at the forefront of the women's movement which seeks to end discrimination against women in the name of religion. It has successfully created a public voice and a public space for ordinary women to claim their right to speak out on Islam and the impact of Islamic laws on women's rights and status. The group's activities in research, advocacy and public education help to promote the development and understanding of an Islam that upholds the principles of equality, justice, freedom and dignity within a democratic state. Since its launch in 2009, Musawah is making waves at the international level with its ground-breaking work in reconciling the teachings of Islam with women's rights and human rights. Musawah key areas of work in knowledge building, capacity building and international advocacy empower women activists living in Muslim contexts with knowledge and courage to speak out against the use of Islam to justify discrimination against women, maintenance of government reservations to international human rights treaties, and resistance to law reform. Zainah's other work experience includes: Chief Programme Officer, Political Affairs Division, Commonwealth Secretariat, London; Freelance Writer; Senior Analyst, Institute of Strategic and International Studies, Kuala Lumpur; Political and

Diplomatic Writer, The New Straits Times, Kuala Lumpur. She was also a member of the Human Rights Commission of Malaysia from 2000 – 2004. Her book, Islamic Revivalism in Malaysia: Dakwah Among the Students has become a standard reference in the study of Islam in Malaysia. She was educated at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, Boston University and the MARA Institute of Technology, Malaysia, in the fields of international relations and journalism.



Antoine Bernard

Antoine Bernard, jurist, has been the International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH) CEO since 2010, and was previously in the role of Executive Director since 1995.

Having completed his DEA in public international law in 1988, he was a consultant for legal research centers at the Faculty of Law in Paris and for the UN Centre for Human Rights. He was Associate Professor 1993-1999 at the Institute of Doctorate Studies of the Faculty of Law in Paris. Since 2005 he has been Associate Professor at Paris II-Panthéon/Assas, and he is also co-organizer of the ENA training in Democratization and Human Rights. He has published extensively in the area of international law. He also lectures at the Paris Institute of Political Sciences and at the National School of Public Management. In addition, Antoine has taught at the SciencesPo Paris School of International Affairs (PSIA) since 2010 and litigates as victims' legal representative.



Hossam Bahgat

Hossam Bahgat is founder and Director of the Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights (EIPR), an independent Egyptian human rights organization which works since 2002 through research, advocacy and litigation to promote and defend the rights to health, privacy, religious freedom and bodily integrity. In 2005, Bahgat founded the EIPR's Health and Human Rights Program, which conducts policy research and strategic litigation in the areas of public health policy, access to medicines and health related discrimination. With training in political science and international human rights law, Bahgat is also a board member of the International Network on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ESCRNet) and a member of its Right to Health steering committee.



James Cavallaro

Professor James Cavallaro, the founding director of Stanford Law School's International Human Rights and Conflict Resolution Clinic, has dedicated his career to

human rights-in both his scholarly research and his legal practice. His extensive expertise is derived from active involvement in the defense of rights, in the development of international human rights law and the human rights movement, in work involving human rights issues in Latin America and the developing world, and in international human rights litigation, with emphasis in the Inter-American and United Nations systems. Professor Cavallaro is a prolific scholar and soughtafter voice on international human rights issues, and is frequently called upon to offer his expertise by the media and civil society. Early in his career, Professor Cavallaro spent several years working with Central American refugees on the U.S.-Mexico border and with rights groups in Chile challenging abuses by the Pinochet government. In 1994, he opened a joint office for Human Rights Watch and the Center for Justice and International Law (CEJIL) in Rio de Janeiro and served as director of the office, overseeing research, reporting and litigation against Brazil before the Inter-American system's human rights bodies. In 1999, he founded the Global Justice Center, which is now a leading Brazilian human rights nongovernmental organization. He then joined the academy, holding positions at Harvard Law School, most recently as clinical professor of law and executive director of the Harvard Law School Human Rights Program.

He joined Stanford Law School's faculty in 2011. Professor Cavallaro received his BA from Harvard University and his JD from University of California at Berkeley School of Law, where he served on the California Law Review and graduated with Order of the Coif honors. Following law school, he served as a law clerk to Chief Judge Dolores K. Sloviter of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (1993-1994). Professor Cavallaro is the author of several books, reports and articles on human rights issues. Among his recent scholarly works are: Reevaluating Regional Human Rights Litigation in the Twenty-First Century: the Case of the Inter-American Court (2008); Looking Backward to Address the Future?: Transitional Justice, Rising Crime and Nation-Building (2008); and Never Again?: The Legacy of the Argentine and Chilean Dictatorships for the Global Human Rights Regime (2008).



Johanna Chao Kreilick

Johanna Chao Kreilick manages the Justice and Human Rights program at the Hauser Center for Nonprofit Organizations at Harvard University. In this position Johanna

connects senior leaders of the world's leading justice and human rights NGOs with resources at Harvard and beyond, to strengthen the knowledge and networks connecting NGOs to each other, to key state officials and to international bodies. Projects include strategy sessions, executive seminars and assessment projects which highlight new directions, debates and promising practices on topics such as the rights of the working poor, collective approaches to NGO advocacy, and the mission impact of nonprofit brand. Johanna's previous work in justice and human rights included community organizing, research-toaction policy projects, and international program development. In her last position, she created and managed the economic justice program at UUSC, an international human rights organization linking members, NGOs, and civil society partners in 62 countries around the globe. She is a trained mediator and seasoned facilitator, and serves on numerous non-profit boards. She earned a B.A. with Distinction in Anthropology from Stanford University and an M.P.A. from the Harvard

Kennedy School where she was named a Lucius N. Littauer Fellow in 2005.



Gastón Chillier

Gastón has been the Executive Director of CELS since 2006. Before being appointed to this position, he worked as Senior Associate of Human Rights and

Security at the Washington Office for Latin America (WOLA) between 2003 and 2005. From 2001 until 2003, he was director of Global Rights' Latin America program. Between 1994 and 1999, before attending graduate school, he worked as a lawyer in the Program of Institutional Violence and Citizen Security at CELS. In December 2011, CELS was selected to host the executive secretariat of the International Network of Civil Liberties Union Organizations (INCLO), and Chillier was selected as co-Chair. INCLO is a global network of ten flagship national human rights organizations from the North and South. Its objectives include developing global campaigns on specific human rights issues, exchanging experiences, promoting the institutional strengthening of its member organizations. Gastón is a member of the Board of Directors at the Center for Justice and International Law (CEJIL). He has published numerous articles in local and foreign publications about international human rights law and democracy. He earned his law degree at the University of Buenos Aires (UBA) and obtained an LL.M. (Magna Cum Laude) in International Law and Human Rights at the Notre Dame University of Law, USA.



Innocent Chukwuma

Innocent Chukwuma is a leading researcher on police, policing and criminal justice reform in West Africa as well as the founder/director of CLEEN Foundation,

a non government organization that promotes public safety, security and accessible justice in West Africa. He is a consultant on criminal justice reform and change management to bilateral and multilateral agencies such as the Department for International Development (DFID), European Union, United Nations and World Bank.

Chukwuma has numerous publications to his credit and was in 2010/2011 academic session a Visiting Professor at the Harvard Kennedy School and taught the course 'Management of Nonprofit Organizations in Global South'.



Rangita de Silva de Alwis

Rangita de Silva de Alwis is the Director of Women in Public Service Project's 2012 Institute at Wellesley College. Rangita is the Director of International Human Rights Policy

at the Wellesley Centers for Women and Faculty at the Madeleine Albright Institute for Global Affairs at Wellesley College. She is also the inaugural Susan McGee Bailey Scholar at the Wellesley Centers for Women. She will be a Fulbright Specialist at the Asian University for Women this summer. Rangita will co-teach Human Rights Theory and Practice at Wellesley College as Distinguished Visiting Lecturer next fall. Rangita has worked globally with a vast network of academic institutions, civil society and government organizations to develop innovative human rights initiatives around the world including, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Vietnam, China, Cambodia, Malaysia, Indonesia, Mexico, Georgia, Egypt, Russia, Kenya, Turkey, Morocco, Bulgaria, Romania, Lebanon, South Africa and Burma. She leads the Women's Leadership Network in Muslim Communities at the Wellesley Centers for Women. She helped convene the Asia Cause Lawyer Network in India and the Women's Watch- China. She has worked in partnership with China's leading women's rights advocates on new developments in gender and law reform in China for over 10 years. She has testified twice before the Congressional Executive Commission on China on the status of women's rights in China. She also advised UNICEF, UNFPA, UNDP and the U.N. Secretariat on the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities on state accountability under the relevant treaties and the intersections of the different treaties. Most recently, she developed a Gender Supplement to the U.N. Secretary General's Guidelines on Disability. She is a Gender Advisor to Vietnam's Ministry of Justice and National Assembly. She has published with the United Nations (Child Marriage and the Law; Girl Child Labour; The Status of the Convention on

the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) and Legislative Compliance in Eastern Europe and Central Asia; and the Intersections of the CEDAW and the Convention on the Rights of the child) and in law journals including in the: Yale Journal of Law and Feminism; Texas Journal of Gender and the Law; University of Pennsylvania East Asia Law Journal; Duke Journal of Gender and the Law; UCLA Pacific Rim Journal; University of Washington's Pacific Rim Law and Policy Journal; and Michigan State Journal of International law. Rangita has created a curriculum and materials for the Asian University for Women's course on Women Leading Change in Asia. Rangita has a Doctorate in Law (S.J.D.) from Harvard Law School and was a Teaching Fellow with the European Law Research Institute at Harvard Law School and a Research Fellow with the Women and Public Policy program at the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. She served on the Advisory Group brought together by UNIFEM and UNDP to develop United Nations Evaluation Guidelines and on the Advisory Board of the Women's Democracy Network, IRI.



Krishanti Dharmaraj

Krishanti Dharmaraj is the Principal of the SamasaMdhi Initiative, focusing on realizing a just and equitable world through the progressive measurement of human rights.

SamasaMdhi refers to "peace on equal terms". She is also the co-founder of Children's Fund for Peace, an organization providing resources to children affected by armed conflict in South Asia. Ms. Dharmaraj is the former founding Executive Director of Women's Institute for Leadership Development for Human Rights (WILD for Human Rights). Ms. Dharmaraj strategies to impact public policy by utilizing international human rights treaties and through grassroots advocacy. With her leadership, San Francisco became the first city in the United States to pass legislation implementing an international human rights treaty-the UN Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW). Ms. Dharmaraj also helped initiate the US Human Rights Network, the US NGO Steering Committee to the World Conference

Against Racism (2001) and the Women's Human Rights Caucus for WCAR, and co-founded the Sri Lanka Children's Fund to support children affected by the tsunami and civil war in Sri Lanka.



James A. Goldston

James A. Goldston oversees the Justice Initiative's promotion of rights-based law reform and the development of legal capacity worldwide. A leading practitioner

of international human rights and criminal law, he has litigated several groundbreaking cases before the European Court of Human Rights and United Nations treaty bodies. He served as coordinator of prosecutions and senior trial attorney in the Office of the Prosecutor at the International Criminal Court. Prior to Open Society, Goldston was the legal director of the Budapest-based European Roma Rights Centre; director general for human rights of the Mission to Bosnia-Herzegovina of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe; and prosecutor in the Office of the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York. Goldston graduated from Columbia College and Harvard Law School and has taught at Columbia Law School and Central European University.



Erik Jensen

Erik G. Jensen is a professor of the practice of law at Stanford Law School, director of the law school's Rule of Law Program, and an affiliated faculty member at the Center on Democracy,

Development, and the Rule of Law (CDDRL) at the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies at Stanford University (FSI). A lawyer trained in Britain and the United States, he has, for the last 25 years, taught, practiced and written about the field of law and development in 30 countries. He has been a Fulbright scholar, a consultant to the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank, and the African Development Bank, and a representative of The Asia Foundation, where he currently serves as a senior advisor for governance and law. His teaching and research activities explore various dimensions of reform aimed at strengthening the rule of law, including the political economy of

reform; the connections between legal systems and the economies, polities and societies in which they are situated; and the relationship of Islam to the rule of law. As co-director of the Rule of Law Program, Jensen serves as faculty advisor to student-driven projects in Afghanistan, Bhutan, Timor-Leste, and Iraq that, with strong local partnerships, develop legal tools in these developing democracies. Jensen lived for 14 years in Asia and was an active participant in policy dialogues in South and Southeast Asia. From 1996 to 1998, he led the governance section of an Asian Development Bank-funded study called "Pakistan 2010," which examined subjects including judicial and legal countering corruption, governance reform, process, civil service reform, decentralization and empowering the country's citizenry. In September 1999, he served as co-team leader of a 35-member consulting team which prepared an extensive report on "Legal and Judicial Reform in Pakistan" for the Asian Development Bank. Jensen's recent past activities include: a research project funded by the Ford Foundation that surveys Pakistani and Indian perceptions of doing business across their acrimonious border; serving as an outside expert in an evaluation of a World Bank project on judicial reform in Venezuela; designing and teaching a research workshop, at Stanford Law School, on judicial reform in developing countries; and serving on the advisory board of two international rule-of-law projects for the World Bank in Mexico and Argentina. Among his recent publications are "Confronting Misconceptions and Acknowledging Imperfections: A Response To Khaled Abou El Fadl's 'Islam And Democracy'" published in the Fordham International Law Journal (2003), and Beyond Common Knowledge: Empirical Approaches to the Rule of Law (Stanford University Press, 2003), which he edited with Thomas C. Heller. Nobel Laureate Joseph Stiglitz endorsed Beyond Common Knowledge with the admonition, "No scholar or policymaker should utter the words 'rule of law' without first reading this volume." Jensen holds a JD degree from the William Mitchell College of Law and an LLM degree from the London School of Economics.



Viviana Krsticevic

Viviana Krsticevic is the executive director of the Center for Justice and International law. Ms. Krsticevic received her law degree from the University of Buenos Aires, a

master's degree in Latin American Studies from Stanford University, and an LLM from Harvard University. She has led numerous conferences and workshops in the Americas and Europe on the international protection of human rights. Ms. Krsticevic has also litigated cases before both the Inter-American Commission and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. She is the author of numerous articles, which have been published in the US, Latin America and Europe.



Xiaonan Liu

Xiaonan Liu is the Executive Director of the Center for the Study on Constitutionalism at China University of Political

Science and Law. Through this position, Xiaonan has conducted research and coordinated on cooperative projects on equality and nondiscrimination with Yale Law School China Law Center, the Ford Foundation, International Labor Organization, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights and CLD Consultants (Beijing) Co., LTD. As an Associate Professor, Xiaonan has also taught employment discrimination law and gender and law at China University of Political Science and Law since January 2008. Before joining the Center for the Study on Constitutionalism, Xiaonan worked at the Center for the Study of Legal Education from July 2006 - June 2009 in which she taught jurisprudence and gender and law. She was also the team leader on a number of research projects that focused on gender equality and the condition of legal education in China. Xiaonan holds an LL.M from Yale Law School, as well as an LL.B., Master of Law and Ph.D. from Jilin University School of Law. Xiaonan's current research interests include anti-discrimination law and feminist legal theory.



Janet Love

Janet Love has been an antiapartheid activist since 1974. From 1991 to 1994, Janet was involved in negotiations for a settlement in South Africa from the Convention for a Democratic South Africa (CODESA), through the Multi-Party Process to the establishment of the Transitional Executive Council (TEC). Becoming a Member of Parliament in 1994, she served as Chairperson of the National Assembly Portfolio Committee on Agriculture, Water Affairs and Forestry and of the National Assembly Portfolio Committee on Water Affairs and Forestry, following April 1999 elections. She was involved in the negotiation and drafting of the final Constitution of South Africa and was a member of the 22-person Constitutional Committee of the Constitutional Assembly, the body responsible for steering of the constitutionmaking process. She left Parliament to take up the position of Special Advisor to the Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry.

Janet has post-graduate qualifications from universities in Johannesburg and London in public administration, development management and economics. She worked in the South African Reserve Bank for five years as head of strategic analysis and support in the currency department. She took up her current position as National Director of the Legal Resources Centre in January 2006. In October 2009, Janet was appointed as one of the Commissioners of the South African Human Rights Commission.



Jenny S. Martinez

Professor Jenny S. Martinez is a leading expert on international courts and tribunals, international human rights, national security, constitutional law, and the laws of

war. Her research focuses on the role of courts and tribunals in advancing and protecting human rights, ranging from her work on the all-but-forgotten 19th-century international tribunals involved in the suppression of the trans-Atlantic slave trade through her work on contemporary institutions like the International Criminal Court and the role of courts in policing human rights abuses in connection with anti-terrorism policies. She has also written extensively on national security law and the constitutional separation of powers. She is the author of The Slave Trade and the Origins of International Human Rights Law

(Oxford University Press, 2012) and numerous articles in leading academic journals. Her opeds have been published in The New York Times and Washington Post, and she has been an expert commentator for both print and broadcast media including ABC World News, CNN, PBS Newshour, NPR, The Washington Post, The New York Times, San Francisco Chronicle, and others. She teaches courses in international law, international human rights law, constitutional law, and civil procedure. An experienced litigator, she has worked on numerous cases in the U.S. Supreme Court and the courts of appeals involving international law and constitutional law issues, including cases involving the Alien Tort Statute, the Torture Victim Protection Act, and the detention and trial of post-9/11 detainees. Professor Martinez was named to the National Law Journal's list of "Top 40 Lawyers Under 40" and the American Lawyer's "Young Litigators Fab Fifty." She serves on the board of directors for the Open Society Justice Initiative, which promotes human rights and builds legal capacity for open societies around the world. In the past, she has served as a consultant on international human rights issues for both Human Rights First and the International Center for Transitional Justice. She is also a member of the U.S. State Department's Advisory Committee on International Law. She is a faculty affiliate of Stanford's Center on International Security and Cooperation and Stanford's Center on Democracy Development and the Rule of Law. Before joining the Stanford faculty in 2003, Professor Martinez was a senior research fellow at Yale University and an attorney at Jenner & Block. She clerked for Justice Stephen Breyer (BA '59) of the U.S. Supreme Court and Judge Guido Calabresi of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit; she was also an associate legal officer for Judge Patricia Wald of the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia in the Hague, where she worked on trials involving genocide, crimes against humanity, and war crimes.



Nancy Northup

Nancy Northup is President & CEO of the Center for Reproductive Rights, a global human rights

organization that has brought groundbreaking cases before national courts, U.N. committees, and regional human rights bodies, and has built the legal capacity of women's rights advocates in over 50 countries. Headquartered in New York, the Center has offices in Washington, Nairobi, Bogotá, Kathmandu, and Geneva. Under her leadership, the Center has continued its trackrecord of success in U.S. state and Federal courts and expanded its international litigation docket - including the first abortion case decided by the U.N. Human Rights Committee and the first case to frame preventable maternal deaths as a human rights violation. She has also led the Center to take the human rights framework into its work in the U.S., and to establish the Law School Initiative to promote legal scholarship and teaching on reproductive health and human rights. Before joining the Center in 2003, Ms. Northup was the founding director of the Democracy Program at the Brennan Center for Justice at NYU School of Law, an Assistant U.S. Attorney and Deputy Chief of Appeals in the Criminal Division of U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York, and a law clerk for the Honorable Alvin B. Rubin on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. Ms. Northup holds adjunct appointments at NYU and Columbia law schools, where she has taught courses in constitutional and human rights law. She received her B.A. from Brown University, where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and her J.D. from Columbia Law School, where she was a Kent Scholar and managing editor of the Columbia Law Review. A frequent public speaker, Ms. Northup is quoted widely in the national press and has appeared on ABC World News Tonight, CBS Evening News, NBC Nightly News, CNN, FOX News, PBS, MSNBC and NPR.



Priscilla Nyokabi Kanyua

Priscilla Nyokabi Kanyua is an advocate of the High Court of Kenya. She was admitted to the Bar in July, 2004. Priscilla studied law at the University of Nairobi (LLB)

and Kenya School of Law. Currently she is the Executive Director of Kituo cha Sheria, a non-profit organization that promotes access to justice and offers legal aid to the poor and marginalized.

Kituo deals with issues of legal education and awareness, forced migration, advocacy, governance and community partnerships. Before joining Kituo in August 2009, she worked for the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ Kenya Chapter) for six years when she championed the Freedom of Information Bill Campaign. She is also a Complaints Commissioner in the Media Council of Kenya and has served as the Deputy Presiding Officer (East Africa) Economic Social and Cultural rights Council (Civil Society Permanent Assembly of African Union). Priscilla is a mother of one daughter and loves watching football and plays.



Deborah L. Rhode

Deborah L. Rhode is one of the country's leading scholars in the fields of legal ethics and gender, law, and public policy. An author of over 20 books, including The Beauty Bias,

Women and Leadership and Moral Leadership, she is the nation's most frequently cited scholar in legal ethics. She is the director of the Stanford Center on the Legal Profession and founding president of the International Association of Legal Ethics. Professor Rhode is the former president of the Association of American Law Schools, the former chair of the American Bar Association's Commission on Women in the Profession, the founder and former director of Stanford's Center on Ethics, and the former director of the Michelle R. Clayman Institute for Gender Research at Stanford. She also served as senior counsel to the minority members of the U.S. House Committee on the Judiciary on presidential impeachment issues during the Clinton administration. She has received the American Bar Association's Michael Franck award for contributions to the field of professional responsibility; the American Bar Foundation's W. M. Keck Foundation Award for distinguished scholarship on legal ethics, the American Bar Association's Pro Bono Publico Award for her work on expanding public service opportunities in law schools, and the White House's Champion of Change award for a lifetime's work in increasing access to justice. She is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and vice chair of the board of Legal Momentum (formerly the NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund). She is

currently a columnist for The National Law Journal and has also published editorials in the The New York Times, The Washington Post, Boston Globe, and Slate. Before joining the Stanford Law faculty, Professor Rhode was a law clerk for Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall.



Helen Stacy

As a scholar of international and comparative law, legal philosophy, and human rights, Helen Stacy has produced works analyzing the efficacy of regional courts in

promoting human rights, differences in the legal systems of neighboring countries, and the impact of postmodernism on legal thinking. Her recent scholarship has focused on how international and regional human rights courts can improve human rights standards while also honoring social, cultural, and religious values. Stacy is a senior fellow at the Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law at Stanford University's Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, where she coordinates the human rights program. She is also a researcher with the European Forum at the Freeman Spogli Institute, a member of the Committee in Charge of the Program in Modern Thought and Literature, and she is associated with the Center for African Studies. Stacy was a senior lecturer in law at Stanford Law School from 2005 to 2010. Before joining Stanford Law, she was a senior lecturer at Queensland University of Technology School of Law, a senior prosecutor for the Director of Public Prosecutions in London, and a legal officer for Shell Oil in Australia.



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of nonprofits. Prior to joining Open Society as president in July 2012, he was the Guggenheim Professor of the Practice of Criminal Justice at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government and director of the Hauser Center for Nonprofit Organizations. Before that, Stone spent a decade as director of the Vera Institute of Justice.

He founded the Neighborhood Defender Service of Harlem and served as a founding director of the New York State Capital Defender Office and of the Altus Global Alliance. Stone received his BA from Harvard, an MPhil in criminology from the University of Cambridge, and his JD from Yale Law School. He was awarded an honorary Order of the British Empire for his contributions to criminal justice reform in the United Kingdom.



David Tolbert

David Tolbert is the President of the International Center for Transitional Justice (ICTJ). Previously, he served as Registrar (Assistant Secretary-General) of the Special Tribunal for

Lebanon and prior to that was Assistant Secretary-General and Special Expert to the United Nations Secretary-General on United Nations Assistance to the Khmer Rouge Trials. From 2004 to 2008, Mr. Tolbert served as Deputy Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY). He had previously been the Deputy Registrar of the ICTY and at an earlier time served at the ICTY as Chef de Cabinet to President Gabrielle Kirk McDonald and Senior Legal Adviser, Registry, serving a total of nine years at the ICTY. From 2000 to 2003 Mr. Tolbert held the position of Executive Director of the American Bar Association's Central European and Eurasian Law Initiative, which operates rule-of-law development programs throughout Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. He also held the position of Chief, General Legal Division of the United Nations Relief Works Agency in Vienna, Austria, and Gaza. In addition, Mr. Tolbert taught international law and human rights at the post-graduate level in the United Kingdom and practiced law for many years in the United States. David Tolbert was Jennings Randolph Senior Fellow at the United States Institute of Peace and served as a member of the American Society of International Law Task Force on United States Policy toward the International Criminal Court (ICC) during 2008 and 2009. He has a number of publications on international criminal justice, the ICTY, and the ICC, in the Harvard Human Rights Journal, The Fletcher Forum of World Affairs, and other journals and books. Mr. Tolbert frequently lectures and makes

public appearances on international justice issues. He also represented the ICTY in the discussions leading up to the creation of the ICC and the Rome Conference and served as an expert to the ICC Preparatory Committee Inter-Sessional meetings.



Judge Patricia M. Wald

Judge Patricia M. Wald has been a remarkable role model for a generation of public interest lawyers. She graduated from Connecticut College in 1948 and

earned her law degree from Yale Law School in 1951. Upon graduation, she served as a clerk for Judge Jerome Frank of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, the first woman to clerk on that Circuit. She later was also the first woman to work at Arnold and Porter in Washington, DC before leaving the firm after about a year to join her Navy JAG husband, Robert, who had been assigned to duty in Norfolk. For almost a decade, Judge Wald stayed at home, devoting her energies to launching the lives of the couple's five children and doing occasional legal research and writing. When she returned to the practice of law in the sixties, she worked in such diverse fields as criminal justice, juvenile law, mental disability law, drug abuse, poverty and public interest law, administrative law, constitutional law, judicial process, and women and the law. Judge Wald worked at the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Criminal Justice, Washington D.C.'s Neighborhood Legal Services Program, the Center for Law and Social Policy, and the Mental Health Law Project, among others. She served in the Carter administration as Assistant Attorney General before being appointed as the first woman to be a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, where she served as chief judge from 1986 until 1991. After 20 years on the federal bench, Judge Wald accepted an appointment to serve as a judge for the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia. She later served as a member of the Iraq Intelligence Commission. In addition to her exceptional career as a jurist, she has taken on countless leadership roles in professional associations, national commissions and legal reform efforts in the United States and abroad.

Sawsan Zaher

Sawsan Zaheris a Palestinian citizen of Israel. She is the director of Adalah's Social, Economic and Education Rights Unit. Ms. Zahar specializes in social and economic rights, and

has worked with Adalah since 2005. Within her work at Adalah Ms. Zaher litigated several land mark cases in the Israeli Supreme Court such as challenging the constitutionality of the Israeli Citizenship law which bans family unification between Arabs citizens of Israel and Palestinians; challenging discriminatory policies of budget allocations for Jewish and Arab towns in social and economic fields; challenging the constitutionality of laws which limit freedom of expression of the Arab citizens and institutions through restricting state funding and others. She received an L.L.B. in Law from the College of Management, School of Law in 1997, and an L.L.M. in International Legal Studies with a concentration on human rights and gender from the American University, Washington College of Law (USA) in 2004. Ms. Zaher was a fellow at the Women in Public Service Project at Wellesley College, M.A., USA (2012). She was a Fellow of the Public Law Program in the Public Interest Law Institute in Colombia University in New York in 2008. She has been Academic Assistant in the Legal Status of the Arab Minority in Israel in the Faculty of Law in Tel Aviv since 2007, and in the Law Faculty in Haifa University since 2009. She established and coordinated the legal department for Arab women's rights in Kayan - Feminist Organization in 2004 and 2005. Specialized in civil law and managed a private law office from 1998 to 2003. In July 2012 she was named by Israeli The-Marker Magazine as one of the 40 promising people under the age of 40 in her field of expertise.