Sir Nigel Rodley Human Rights Conference

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* Please note that video tribute of Sir Nigel Rodley was produced by Caroline Drennen, Class of 2017 UC Law.

Saturday, October 28, 2017

9 a.m.   Greeting from Prof. Bert Lockwood
Video Tribute to Sir Nigel Rodley

9:30–10:30 a.m. Nigel Rodley and Amnesty International
Paul Hoffman, Chair

Panelists:
Chris Avery
Founder, Business & Human Rights Resource Centre

Prof. Stephanie Farrior
Vermont Law School

Prof. David Petrasek
University of Ottawa

10:30–11:30 a.m. Nigel’s Scholarship
Prof. David Weissbrodt, Chair
University of Minnesota

Panelists:
Prof. Roger Clark: Nigel’s Criminal Law Scholarship
Rutgers Law School
Prof. Rebecca Cook: Nigel’s Feminist Transformations  
University of Toronto Faculty of Law

**11:30 a.m.–12:30**  
**Death Penalty**  
*Prof. George Edwards, Chair*  
Indiana University

*Panelists:*

Christina Cerna, Esq.: Death Penalty Case  
Former Attorney, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights

Prof. Sandra Babcock: Death Penalty Today  
Cornell Law School

Prof. Connie de la Vega  
University of San Francisco

**Lunch Break**  
Boxed lunches will be provided

**1:30–2:30 p.m.**  
**Torture**  
*Prof. Terry Coonan, Chair*  
Florida State University

*Panelists:*

Prof. Juan Méndez  
American University  
Former UN Special Rapporteur on Torture

Felice Gaer  
Jacob Blaustein Institute for the Advancement of Human Rights  
Vice-Chair, UN Committee Against Torture

Curt Goering  
Center for Victims of Torture

**2:30–3:15 p.m.**  
**The International Commission of Jurists (ICJ)**  
*Prof. Howard Tolley, Chair*  
University of Cincinnati

*Panelists:*

The Honorable Unity Dow  
Minister of Education, Botswana  
Former Chair of the Executive Committee, ICJ
Prof. Robert Goldman
American University
Acting President, ICJ

3:15–4:30 p.m. **Treaty Bodies**  
*Prof. Jacob Cogan, Chair*  
University of Cincinnati College of Law

*Panelists:*  
Prof. Cees Flinterman  
Maastricht University

Prof. Ruth Wedgwood  
Johns Hopkins University

Prof. Douglass Cassel  
University of Notre Dame

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**Sunday, October 29, 2017**

9–10:15 a.m. **Economic and Social Rights**  
*Prof. Stephen Marks, Chair*  
Harvard University

*Panelists:*  
Prof. Paul Hunt  
University of Essex  
Independent Expert, UN Comm. on Econ., Soc. & Cultural Rights

Prof. Tara Melish  
University of Buffalo School of Law

Larry Cox  
Kairos Center, Poor People’s Campaign

10:15–11:15 a.m. **Current Challenges, Part I**  
*Prof. Mark Gibney, Chair*  
University of North Carolina Asheville

*Panelists:*  
Prof. Michael O’Flaherty  
View from the European Union’s Fundamental Rights Agency

Christophe Peschoux  
View from the UN Office of the High Comm’r for Human Rights
Prof. Tom Farer
University of Denver
Minority Rights in the Age of Mass Migration

11:15–11:30 a.m. Break

11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Current Challenges, Part II
Dr. Bernard Dickens, Chair
University of Toronto

Panelists:
Prof. William Schabas
Middlesex University

Prof. John Packer
University of Ottawa

Sandra Coliver
Open Society Foundation

12:30 p.m. Concluding Remarks
Paul Hoffman and Bert Lockwood