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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2015

7-8:30 PM OPENING SESSION

Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Welcome:

James R. Rasband, Dean, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University Kevin J Worthen, President, Brigham Young University

Moderator:

W. Cole Durham, Jr., Susa Young Gates Professor of Law and Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

- **Gunnar Stålsett**, Moderator, European Council of Religious Leaders; International President, World Council of Religions for Peace
- David Little, Emeritus Professor, Harvard Divinity School; Fellow, Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and World Affairs, Georgetown University

8:30-9:30 РМ RECEPTION

Fritz B. Burns Memorial Lounge, Second Floor J. Reuben Clark Law Building

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2015

8:30–10:30 AM FIRST PLENARY SESSION: RELIGIOUS FREEDOM AND SOCIAL STABILITY Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Robert T. Smith, Managing Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Marco Ventura, Professor, University of Siena, Italy Faizan Mustafa, Vice-Chancellor, NALSAR University of Law, India Tim Wilson, Australian Human Rights Commissioner

10:30-10:45 AM В R E A K

10:45 AM-12 NOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS INTERRELIGIOUS COOPERATION, RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, AND SOCIAL STABILITY Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

James E. Faulconer, Richard L. Evans Professor of Philosophy, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Abdur-Rahman Ahmad, Sheik, Ansar-Ud-Deen Society of Nigeria Brian Lucas, General Secretary, Australian Catholic Bishops Conference Sister Catherine Jones, Chair, New Zealand Catholic Bishops Committee for Interfaith Relations

10:45 AM-12 NOON ARGENTINA, MEXICO, AND PERU

Room 205, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Craig Galli, International Fellow, International Center for Law and Religion Studies,

J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Julio Méndez, Presbyter Doctor, Catholic University of Salta, Argentina Alfonso Santiago, Director, School of Policy, Government, and International Relations, Austral University, Argentina José de la Luz López Pescador, Attorney, Lopez Pescador & Associates, Mexico Carol Villanueva Anticona, Attorney, Estudio de la Flor, García Montufar, Arata & Asociados, Peru

VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA

Room 208, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Richard H. Page, International Fellow, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Nguyen Thanh Xuan, Deputy Head, Public Security Division, Ministry of Public Security, Vietnam Pham Xuan Truong, Deputy General Director, Protestant Department,

Government Committee for Religious Affairs, Vietnam

Say Amnann, Advisor and Secretary to the President, National Assembly, Cambodia
 Min Chan Dy Neth, Advisor and Cabinet Director, Ministry of Cults and Religion, Cambodia
 Keo Sotheary, Director General of Administration and Finance, Ministry of Cults and Religion, Cambodia

BRAZIL

Room 314, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Ricardo Leite**, Attorney at Law, Cerqueira Leite Advocados Associados

Speakers:

Moroni Torgan, Member of Congress, Brazil
Hugo José Oliveira, Legal Advisor, National Bishops Conference of Brazil
Jonas Moreno Almeida, Director of ANAJURE for Refugee Affairs and Humanitarian Aid; Member, Commission of Law and Religious Liberty, Bar Association of Brazil
Odacyr Prigol, Attorney at Law, Prigol Advogados Associados

JUDICIAL PERSPECTIVES

Room 206, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

David G. Campbell, Federal Judge, United States District Court for the District of Arizona

Speaker:

Mogoeng Mogoeng, Chief Justice, Constitutional Court of South Africa

DISCUSSION

12 NOON-2:00 PM LUNCH FOR CONFERENCE DELEGATES AND INVITED GUESTS

Third Floor, Hinckley Alumni and Visitors Center Brigham Young University

2–3:45 PM SECOND PLENARY SESSION: RELIGION, RULE OF LAW, AND SOCIAL STABILITY Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

J. Clifford Wallace, Chief Judge Emeritus, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Speakers:

Mogoeng Mogoeng, Chief Justice, Constitutional Court of South Africa
Hilario Davide, Jr., Former Permanent Representative of the Philippines to the UN; Chief Justice (Ret.), Supreme Court of the Philippines
Helen Moronkeji Ogunwumiju, Justice, Nigeria Court of Appeals

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CANADA Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: Sandra Pallin, Barrister and Solicitor, Canada

Speakers:

Barry Bussey, Director, Legal Affairs, Canadian Council of Christian Charities Palbinder Kaur Shergill, General Legal Counsel, World Sikh Organization of Canada Anna Su, Assistant Professor, University of Toronto

COSTA RICA – PARLIAMENTARY INITIATIVES

Room 205, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Scott Isaacson, Regional Advisor for Latin America, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Fabricio Alvarado, Member of Congress, Legislative Assembly of Costa Rica Silvia Sánchez, Member of Congress, Legislative Assembly of Costa Rica Mónica Catalán, Advisor, Legislative Assembly of Costa Rica César Zuñiga, Advisor, Legislative Assembly of Costa Rica Daisy Guerrero, Advisor, Legislative Assembly of Costa Rica

INDIA AND CHINA Room 208, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Eric Hyer**, Associate Professor of Political Science and Coordinator for Asian Studies, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Venkatesan Ashok, Consul General of India, Indian Consulate to the United States Hongmeng Cheng, Postdoctoral Fellow, School of International Relations and Public Affairs, Fudan University, China

4-5 PM NIGERIA AND DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

Room 314, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Leslie Hadfield, Assistant Professor, Department of History, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Murtala Aderemi Bidmos, Professor, University of Lagos, Nigeria Kyungu Nkulu Guillaume, Chief of Staff, Ministry of Justice, Democratic Republic of the Congo

JUDICIAL PERSPECTIVES

Room 206, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Jay S. Bybee, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Speaker:

Mariano Germán Mejía, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the Dominican Republic

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BYU LAW REVIEW INFORMATION SESSION

5-5:30 PM Room 205, J. Reuben Clark Law School

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2015

THIRD PLENARY SESSION:

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Moderator:

Elizabeth A. Clark, Associate Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

W. Cole Durham, Jr., Susa Young Gates Professor of Law and Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Rosalind I.J. Hackett, Professor and Head, Department of Religious Studies, University of Tennessee, United States **Recep Sentürk**, Professor of Sociology, Alliance of Civilizations Institute, Fatih SultanMehmet Vakif University, Turkey

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9:45-10 ам

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Moderator:

David M. Kirkham, Academic Director, Brigham Young University London Centre; Senior Fellow for Comparative Law and International Policy, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Patrick H. Daly, General Secretary, Commission of the Bishops' Conferences of the European Community
 Michael Leigh, Senior Fellow, German Marshall Fund of the United States
 Pasquale Annicchino, Fellow, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute

10-11 AM LATIN AMERICA - GOVERNMENT PERSPECTIVES

Room 205, J. Reuben Clark Law School

Moderator:

Michael Wood, International Fellow, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Alfonso Garcés, Deputy Minister of Justice, Ministry of Justice and Human Rights, Peru Darío Filártiga, Minister and Political Advisor to the President, Government of Paraguay Guillermo Mendoza, Legal Advisor, Ministry of Defense, Paraguay

KOREA AND MONGOLIA

Room 208, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Victor A. Taylor, International Fellow, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

 Chae-Young Kim, Professor of Religious Studies, Sogang University, South Korea
 Lundeejantsan Sarantsetseg, Head of the Department of Registration and Alien Movement, Ministry of Labor, Mongolia

SYRIA AND TURKEY

Room 314, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Quinn Mecham, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Nuri Bodur, Attorney, Esin Attorney Partnership, Turkey Nabil Fayyad, Syrian Delegation for Constitutional Reform

JUDICIAL PERSPECTIVES

Room 206, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

J. Clifford Wallace, Chief Judge Emeritus, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Speaker:

Hilario Davide, Jr., Former Permanent Representative of the Philippines to the UN, Chief Justice (Ret.), Supreme Court of the Philippines

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Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Shon Hopkin, Assistant Professor of Ancient Scripture, Religious Studies Center, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Yahya Al-Btoush, Grand Mufti, Jordanian Armed Forces Richard Babao, Assistant Minister, Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Manila Nabil Haddad, Founder and Director, Jordanian Interfaith Coexistence Research Center

LATIN AMERICA - GOVERNMENT PERSPECTIVES

Room 205, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Mark E. Wood, International Fellow, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Luis Fernando Mendoza Jiménez, Counsel, Legislative Assembly of Costa Rica César Jáuregui Robles, Attorney, Lozano Gracia & Associates, Mexico Luis Fernando Morales Núñez, Director General, Administration of Federal Real Estate Assets, INDAABIN, Mexico

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Room 208, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

David H. Moore, Professor of Law, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Kishan Manocha, Senior Advisor on Freedom of Religion and Belief, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

Elizabeta Kitanovic, Executive Secretary, Conference of European Churches **Faith Delos Reyes**, Research and Project Coordinator, Human Rights Resource Centre, University of Indonesia

UKRAINE

Room 314, J. Reuben Clark Building

Moderator:

Celeste Beesley, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Viktor Yelensky, Head of the Subcommittee for Freedom of Conscience, Parliament of Ukraine Andriy Yurash, Director, Department for Religious Affairs and Nationalities, Ministry of Culture, Ukraine

JUDICIAL PERSPECTIVES

Room 206, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Roger Hunt, Judge, United States District Court for the District of Nevada

Speaker: Helen Moronkeji Ogunwumiju, Justice, Nigeria Court of Appeals

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2–3 PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS RELIGION AND SOCIAL STABILITY Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Justin Collings, Associate Professor of Law, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Tore Lindholm, Professor Emeritus, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Oslo; Advisory Council, Oslo Coalition on Freedom of Religion or Belief

Michael Quinlan, Dean, School of Law Sydney, The University of Notre Dame Australia Silvio Ferrari, Professor of Canon Law, University of Milan, Italy

LATIN AMERICA - UNIVERSITIES AND NGOS

Room 205, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Kevin Kimball, International Fellow, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Carlos Alvarado Cerezo, Rector, University of San Carlos of Guatemala Ramón de la Cruz Baldera, Rector, Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra (PUCMM), Dominican Republic Tomás Henríquez Carrera, Founder and Former CEO, Communidad y Justicia, Santiago, Chile

INDONESIA AND PACIFIC ISLANDS

Room 208, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Chad Emmett, Associate Professor, Department of Geography, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Agus Sholeh, Head of Foreign Relations, Ministry of Religion, Indonesia Delilah Gore, Minister for Religion, Youth & Community Development, National Parliament, Papua New Guinea Shelten Neth, State Senator, Pohnpei State, Federated States of Micronesia Ming Leung Wang, Attorney General, Samoa

RUSSIA

Room 314, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

N. Anthony Brown, Associate Professor, Department of Germanic and Slavic Languages, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

Arkady Dubnov, Analyst, Russian Council for Foreign and Defense Policy, Moscow Carnegie Center, Russia Lev Simkin, Professor of Law, Moscow State University

2–3 PM JUDICIAL PERSPECTIVES

Room 206, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: Stuart T. Waldrip, Judge (Ret.), Orange County Superior Court, California

Speaker:

Ahmed M. Ebrahim, Justice (Ret.), Supreme Court Swaziland and the Supreme Court of Zimbabwe

DISCUSSION

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3:15–5 PM FOURTH PLENARY SESSION: CONFERENCE SUMMATION AND CONCLUDING REFLECTIONS ON CONFERENCE THEMES Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator:

Gary B. Doxey, Associate Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers:

 W. Cole Durham, Jr., Susa Young Gates Professor of Law and Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University
 Silvio Ferrari, Professor of Canon Law, University of Milan, Italy

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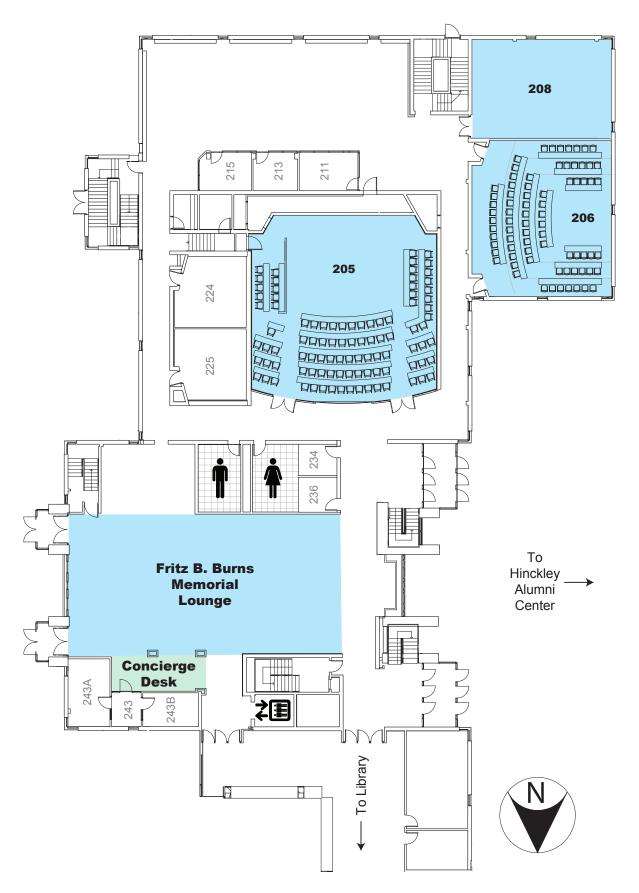
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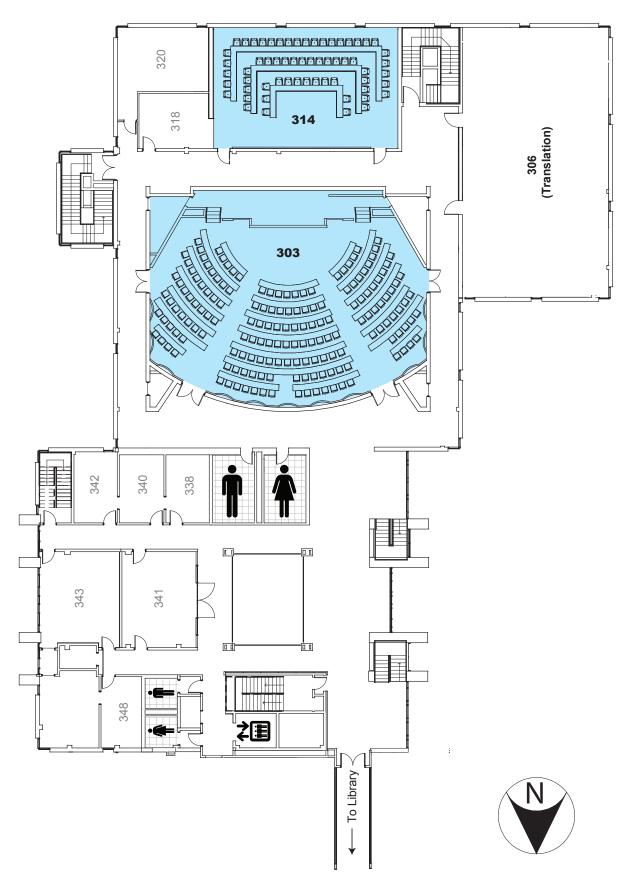
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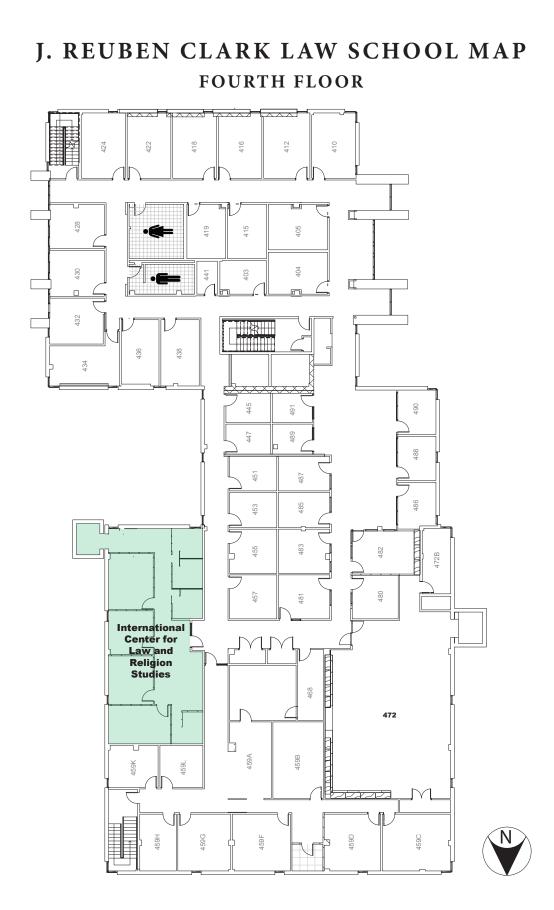
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Alfonso Santiago – Argentina Director, School of Policy, Government, and International Relations, Austral University

Alfonso Santiago received his PhD in Law from the University of Buenos Aires. He is a Professor of Constitutional Law at Austral Law School. He was Vice Dean (1991-1999) and Vice

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Brian Lucas – Australia General Secretary, Australian Catholic Bishops Conference

Fr. Brian Lucas is General Secretary of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference. He was Financial Administrator and Secretary of the Archdiocese of Sydney and acted as media spokesman. He has post-graduate academic qualifi-

cations in law, theology, and general studies. Awarded a Churchill Fellowship, he undertook a program of studies in Pastoral Communication at Gregorian University, Rome. He is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, an adjunct professor of Australian Catholic University, member of the Australian Taxation Office Not-for-Profit Advisory Group, member of the Australian Treasury Working Party on Tax Concessions for Not-for-Profit Organisations, a director of Catholic Church Insurances Limited, and co-author of the *Church Administration Handbook*.



Michael Quinlan – Australia Dean, School of Law Sydney, The University of Notre Dame Australia

Professor Michael Quinlan is Dean of the Sydney School of Law at The University of Notre Dame Australia. He had a distinguished career at the commercial law firm Allens, where he was a partner for more than 14 years.

He is a Member of The St Thomas More Society, the Wilberforce Foundation, and Lawyers for the Preservation of Traditional Marriage. He has made written submissions to Parliamentary inquiries defending traditional marriage and religious freedom and commenting on "end of life" and issues such as regulation of brothels in New South Wales. He has written articles for the *Catholic Weekly* and case notes for The University of Notre Dame. In 2013, he presented a paper at the Catholics and Law Congress, Turon, Poland and recently was invited to speak at the City of Sydney Circle of The Catenians on "Providing a University Education in a Context of Catholic Faith and Values."



Tim Wilson – Australia

Australian Human Rights Commissioner

Tim Wilson is Australia's Human Rights Commissioner, and is focused on liberal individual human rights including religious freedom, free speech & association, equality before the law, and property rights. Mr. Wilson is also the de facto Commissioner for sexual orien-

tation, gender identity, and intersex issues. He previously worked at a free market public policy think tank, in consulting, international aid and development, as well as politics. He has served on the Board of Directors of Monash University and Alfred Health. In 2009, he was recognized by Australia's national newspaper as one of the ten emerging leaders of Australian society.



Patrick H. Daly - Belgium

General Secretary, Commission of the Bishops' Conferences of the European Community

Fr. Patrick H. Daly is the General Secretary of COMECE, the Commission of the Bishops' Conferences of the European Community. He completed his secondary education at Clongowes

Wood College, County Kildare and earned his MA in History and Philosophy from the University College Dublin and his PhD in Medieval History from the Catholic University of Louvain. He received an STL in Dogmatic Theology from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas. He attended Seminary at Pontifical Beda College, Rome, and was ordained a priest in 1991. He served as Parish Priest of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Birmingham, UK from 1991 to 2013.



Elizabeta Kitanovic - Belgium *Executive Secretary, Conference of European Churches (CEC)*

Mag. Elizabeta Kitanovic is Executive Secretary for the Conference of European Churches in Brussels, editor of the *Human Rights Training Manual for European Churches*, and editor and founder of the first European Churches

Human Rights Library and the CSC Annual Report (2007-2014). In 2009-2010 she was a member of the Advisory Panel of the EU Fundamental Rights Agency and was again nominated for 2012-2014. Ms. Kitanovic completed her studies in Theology and post-graduate studies in International Affairs at the Political Science Faculty in Belgrade. She graduated from the Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Serbian Government. She is completing her PhD.



Jonas Moreno Almeida - Brazil

Director of ANAJURE for Refugee Affairs and Humanitarian Aid; Member, Commission of Law and Religious Liberty, Bar Association of Brazil

Jonas Moreno de Andrade Almeida is a lawyer, Auditor of the State Audit Court, and Specialist in Public Law. He is the First Secretary of the Alliance

of Evangelical Churches Congregational in Brazil and a Member of the Law and Religious Liberty Commission of the Bar Association of Brazil. He currently serves as Director of ANAJURE for Refugees and Humanitarian Aid.



Ricardo Leite – Brazil Attorney at Law, Cerqueira Leite Advocados Associados

Dr. Ricardo Leite is a lawyer and founding partner of Cerqueira Leite Advogados Associados. Before that role, he was Legal Chief for the South and Southeast Region of Shell Brazil. He studied at Pontifícia Universidade

Católica de São Paulo and received his LLM from UC Davis in Business and Corporate Law.



Hugo José Oliveira – Brazil Legal Advisor, National Bishops Conference of Brazil

Hugo de Oliveira is a lawyer and has attended a post degree program on business management and worked as a professor of private and international law in Brasilia, Brazil. He is currently legal advisor to the National Bishops

Conference of Brazil, to the Conference of Major Superiors of Brazil, to the National Catholic Education Association of Brazil and to many religious institutes. He is a member of the Implementation Commission for the International Treaty signed between Brazil and the Holy See and has written a chapter regarding the right of exercising the apostolic mission on the edition of "Brazil Holy See Treaty Reviewed."



Odacyr Prigol – Brazil Attorney at Law, Prigol Advogados Associados

Dr. Odacyr Prigol is the new J. Reuben Clark Law Society Chapter Chair for the Curitiba Chapter. He is a member of the Religious Freedom Commission of the Brazil Bar Association in his state. He is also a founding member/director of the

Brazilian affiliate of the Religious Freedom & Business Foundation, which actively promotes religious freedom in Brazil.



Moroni Torgan – Brazil Member of Congress, Brazil

Moroni Bing Torgan is a member of the Brazilian Congress representing the State of Ceará. In his first term as congressman, he authored the Investigation Parliamentary Commission proposal to fight drug trafficking resulting in the arrest of many drug

trafficking gangs. Prior to entering politics, he was a federal police chief in Ceará State. He was appointed secretary of public security for this state and later served as Vice-Governor. In 2009, he left public life to serve in various capacities for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, including President of the Portugal Lisbon Mission and Area Authority Seventy. In 2014, he returned to Congress, where he currently serves as President of the Parliamentary Front for Religious Freedom, the President of the Sub Commission against Organized Crime in Brazil, and Minority Leader of the House.



Say Amnann - Cambodia

Advisor and Secretary to the President, National Assembly

Say Amnann is Advisor to the President of the National Assembly of Cambodia and Deputy Director General of Religious Affairs in the Ministry of Cults and Religion. He is a Philosophy and English lecturer at the Preah Sihanouk Raja

Buddhist University. He received his Master of Arts and Bachelor of Arts Degrees from the University of Kelaniya in Sri Lanka where he also studied Pali and Buddhist Studies. He previously served as Vice Director in the Educational Science and Information Department at Preah Sihanouk Raja Buddhist University.



Min Chan Dy Neth – Cambodia Advisor and Cabinet Director, Ministry of Cults and Religion

Mrs. Min Chan Dy Neth is Advisor to the Ministry of Cults and Religion, Director General, and Cabinet Director of the Ministry of Cults and Religion. She previously served in the National Committee for Organizing National

and International Festivals and the Ministry of Social Affair, Labor Training, and Youth Rehabilitation. She is educated and trained in Business Administration, Medicine, Conflict Management and Resolution, English, Communication, Hospital Management, and Accounting.



Keo Sotheary - Cambodia

Director General of Administration and Finance, Ministry of Cults and Religion

Mrs. Keo Sotheary is the Director General of Administration and Finance in the Ministry of Cults and Religion. She previously worked in the Department of Staff Administration, the Department of Administration and Finance, and the

National Inspectorate of Buddhist Education. She received her Bachelor of Business Administration Degree from the National Institute of Management and her Master of Auditing Degree from Vanda Institute.



Barry Bussey – Canada Director, Legal Affairs, Canadian Council of Christian Charities

Barry W. Bussey is Director of Legal Affairs for the Canadian Council of Christian Charities. He has been involved in charity law seminars, written articles on charity law and religious freedom, and has participated in

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Fabricio Alvarado – Costa Rica Congressman, National Congress of Costa Rica

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Ramón de la Cruz Baldera – Dominican Republic Rector, Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra (PUCMM)

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Mariano Germán Mejía – Dominican Republic Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the Dominican Republic

Chief Justice Mariano Germán Mejía Jiménez was appointed President of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Dominican Republic by The National Council of Magistrates in 2011. Prior

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Carlos Alvarado Cerezo – Guatemala Rector, University of San Carlos of Guatemala

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Carlos Camey – Guatemala General Secretary, University of San Carlos of Guatemala

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Silvio Ferrari, founder and honorary lifetime president of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies (ICLARS), was visiting professor at the University of California (Berkeley), the Institute for Advanced Legal

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Yahya Al-Btoush - Jordan

Grand Mufti, Jordanian Armed Forces

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Nabil Haddad - Jordan

Founder and Director, Jordanian Interfaith Coexistence Research Center

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Branch to the Federal Election Committee. He was a professor of law at the University level. He served five years as a Magistrate or member of the "Consejo de la Judicatura Federal", a government department that administered the federal court system and had oversight of judges and other court personnel.



Jeffrey Max Jones - Mexico

Former Senator and Former Undersecretary of Agribusiness Development, Member of the National Action Party

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Shelten Neth -

Micronesia, Federated States of State Senator, Pohnpei State, Federated States of Micronesia (FSM)

Shelten G. Neth is a State Senator, Chairman/CEO, Church Pastor, and law maker within the Legislative Branch of Pohnpei State Government. He is involved in the day to day operations of

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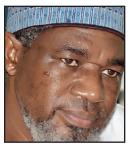
to that, she received her law degree from Tushee Institute of Law and Economics, Mongolia. She currently works for the Ministry of Labor and previously was an expert for the Standing Committee of Environment, Food and Agriculture in Parliament.



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Abdur-Rahman Ahmad – Nigeria Sheik, Ansar-Ud-Deen Society of Nigeria

Imam Abdur-Rahman Olanrewaju Ahmad is the National Missioner of the Ansar-Ud-Deen Society of Nigeria. The Society was established in 1923 to enhance the educational, moral, and social development of the Muslim community. As chief imam, Sheik

Ahmad generally oversees this large Islamic organization, which has branches in every part of Nigeria as well as in other West African countries, such as Benin and Ivory Coast. Sheik Ahmad holds membership in the National Executive Committee of the Nigerian Supreme Council for Islamic Affairs (NSCIA), Nigeria Inter-Religious Council, National Interfaith Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS (NACA), Interfaith Advisory Committee against Corruption to the EFCC, the chairmanship of the Movement Against Corruption (MAC), and many others. A renowned Islamic scholar, he began his career as a journalist and has held imam positions at several levels starting from his secondary school days. He has a large followership and frequently gives influential public lectures and sermons.



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Gunnar Stålsett – Norway

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Delilah Gore – Papua New Guinea Minister for Religion, Youth & Community Development, National Parliament

Honourable Delilah Gore is the Minister for Religion, Youth and Community Development and Member for Sohe in Northern (Oro) Province. She was formally employed by Department of Finance as District Treasurer when she

resigned to contest Papua New Guinea's National General Elections in 2012. She is currently one of the three women MP's that were elected into Papua New Guinea's 9th National Parliament in the 2012 national general election and is also the only women cabinet Minister.



Darío Filártiga – Paraguay *Minister and Political Advisor to the*

President, Government of Paraguay

Darío Filártiga was Secretary of State of the Paraguayan Ministry of Interior. He was appointed a member of the Special Commission of the Paraguayan State for the visit of His Holiness Pope John Paul II in May 1988. He was a guest of the

Government of Japan in the program of Young Leaders from Latin America and was invited on an official visit to the Republic of China (Taiwan) as well as to Hong Kong. He represented Paraguay at the International Conference on drug trafficking, Houston, Texas. He has frequently represented Paraguay at ceremonies and on state visits abroad. He served as Advisor to the Vice Presidency and as Chairman of the Board of the Social Security Institute (IPS). He is the Current Minister and Political Advisor to the President of the Republic of Paraguay, accompanying the President on his official visits and business trips to different countries.



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Richard Babao – Philippines Assistant Minister, Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Manila

Fr Richard Babao grew up surrounded by the Islamic culture in Central Mindanao, which instilled within him an interest in interfaith relations. This interest grew when he entered the seminary, during which terrorist activities

by extremist Muslims shook the already fragile peace in Mindanao. In his seminary formation, he longed for a better understanding of differing religions, hoping that understanding could again bring peace to Mindanao. In 2009, he was sent to study Ecumenism and Interreligious Dialogue at the Angelicum University in Rome. This has become part of his ministry and life.



Hilario Davide, Jr. - Philippines

Former Permanent Representative of the Philippines to the UN; Chief Justice (ret.), Supreme Court of the Philippines

Mr. Hilario G. Davide, Jr. is the former Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Philippines to the United Nations in New York. He was elected to such posts as Vice President of the Gen-

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Arkady Dubnov – Russia

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Arkady Dubnov graduated from the Moscow Power Engineering Institute. He worked as an engineer at Soviet Union nuclear power stations for about 15 years. Since 1991, he has been a political science reviewer and editor-

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Lev Simkin – Russia Professor of Law, Moscow State University

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Ming Leung Wai – Samoa Attorney General, Government of Samoa

Ming C. Leung Wai is the Attorney-General of Samoa, principal legal advisor to the Government of Samoa. He was educated in Samoa before attending the University of Waikato in New Zealand where he completed his law degree. He returned to Samoa in

1996 and worked in several legal roles in government departments, including the Office of the Attorney-General. In 2001 he joined the family law firm in Apia. He was appointed Attorney-General of Samoa in December 2006. He sits on the Board of Trustees of his church and holds two matai titles – "Tuatagaloa" from the village of Poutasi and "Aumua" from the village of Sapunaoa.



Mogoeng Mogoeng - South Africa Chief Justice,

Constitutional Court of South Africa

Honourable Mogoeng Thomas Reetsang Mogoeng is the current Chief Justice of South Africa. He received a B.Juris from the University of Zululand and a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Natal. He then obtained a Master of

Laws from the University of South Africa. After a short period at the Johannesburg Bar, Mogoeng went to Mahikeng, where he practiced for six years. He was also the chair of Lawyers for Human Rights' Bophuthatswana chapter and a part-time lecturer at the University of Bophuthatswana. Mogoeng's appointment to Chief Justice was recommended and confirmed on 8 September 2011. As Chief Justice, he is head of the Judicial Service Commission, which is responsible for the appointment of judges. He is a lay preacher in the Pentecostal Winners' Chapel.



Chae-Young Kim – South Korea Professor of Religious Studies, Sogang University

Dr. Chae-Young Kim is a highly respected academic, author, and researcher. He is Director of the Jesuit Scholar Program at Sogang University and is also a leading Presbyterian academic. He currently is president of the

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Nabil Fayyad – Syria Syrian Delegation for Constitutional Reform

Nabil Fayyad is a Syrian scholar. He has studied languages, theology, pharmacy, and drug manufacturing. He has written and translated numerous books and studies some of which include *Ezra Pound, The Poet of the Apostate; Nietzsche*

and Religion; Kafka – Metamorphosis; Qurans Differences (books one through four), Mother of all Believers, Camel War, Dhimmis (English translation), and Mohammed the Prophet of Islam (English translation). He has been involved in many documentaries, the most important of which is the series, "Fasting of Peoples," with the Syrian TV station, Sama. Currently, he is the Syrian chief of the Academic Center for Research.



Nuri Bodur – Turkey Attorney, Esin Attorney Partnership

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Viktor Yelensky – Ukraine

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Andriy Yurash - Ukraine

Director, Department for Religious Affairs and Nationalities, Ministry of Culture, Ukraine

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David M. Kirkham – United Kingdom Academic Director, BYU London Centre, and Senior Fellow, International Center for Law and Religion Studies

David M. Kirkham is academic director of Brigham Young University Ltd (London Centre) and a professor in the BYU department of Political Science. He joined the International Center for

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Jay Scott Bybee – United States Federal Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Judge Jay Scott Bybee is a federal judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. He graduated magna cum laude from Brigham Young University, majoring in Economics. He earned his Juris Doctor cum laude

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David G. Campbell – United States Federal Judge, United States District Court for the District of Arizona

Judge David G. Campbell is a United States District Judge for the District of Arizona. Following his graduation from the University of Utah Law School, he served as a law clerk for Judge J. Clifford Wallace of the Ninth Circuit

Court of Appeals and Justice William H. Rehnquist of the Supreme Court. He worked as a commercial litigator for 20 years with the Phoenix law firm of Osborn Maledon before joining the bench. He serves as the current chair of the Advisory Committee on the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, has worked with the courts of Botswana, South Africa, and Namibia on judicial case management, and has taught civil procedure and constitutional law at the Arizona State and BYU Law Schools.



Elizabeth A. Clark – United States Associate Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies

Elizabeth A. Clark has since the Center's founding in 2000 helped organize and execute dozens of activities around the world. In addition to co-authoring numerous publications, she has been the lead drafter of several amicus

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Gary B. Doxey – United States Associate Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies

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W. Cole Durham, Jr. – United States Susa Young Gates Professor of Law and Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies

Cole Durham has been Director of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies since the Center was officially organized on January 1, 2000. He is a graduate of Harvard College and

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Rosalind I.J. Hackett – United States Professor and Head, Department of Religious Studies, University of Tennessee

Rosalind I. J. Hackett is Professor and Head of Religious Studies and adjunct in Anthropology at the University of Tennessee, where she was a Distinguished Professor in the Humanities. Prior to receiving her PhD in Religious

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Roger Hunt - United States

Judge, United States District Court for the District of Nevada

Judge Roger Hunt, currently on Senior Status, served as a U.S. Magistrate Judge from 1992-2000 and was the Chair of the Executive Board of the Ninth Circuit Magistrate Judges Conference when appointed to the District

bench. He has served as U.S. District Judge since May 2000. He was the Chief Judge of the District of Nevada from 2007- May 2011, when he took Senior Status. Judge Hunt served on the Ninth Circuit Judicial Council while Chief Judge. He obtained his JD degree, with honors, from George Washington University in 1970 and his BA degree from BYU in History.



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of gas discoveries in the region. He has written and lectured extensively on the future of the EU and the Eurozone, enlargement and eastern partnership, particularly Ukraine, Turkey's relations with the EU and their common neighborhood, and Europe's response to political change in the Mediterranean and Middle East. He was director-general for enlargement at the European Commission and before that was external relations deputy director-general with responsibility for European Neighborhood Policy, relations with Eastern Europe, Southern Caucasus, Central Asia, Middle East, and the Mediterranean countries. He was chief negotiator with the Czech Republic and other candidate countries. In more than thirty years in EU institutions, he was cabinet member for various Commissioners and director in the Task Force for the EU Accession Negotiations, and he contributed to the development of the single market and the common fisheries policy. He began his career as assistant professor of international relations at Johns Hopkins University's School for Advanced International Studies in Bologna, Italy and lecturer in international relations at the University of Sussex. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy, Politics and Economics from Oxford University and a PhD in Political Science from M.I.T.



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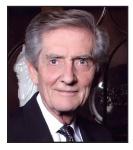
as chairman of the Corporate and Tax Department of Kirton & McConkie after practicing tax law in Washington D.C and Chicago. He s a magna cum laude graduate of the J. Reuben Clark Law School, where he was named to the Order of the Coif and served as editor-in-chief of the BYU Law Review. He holds an MBA from the University of Notre Dame and a BS from BYU in accounting.



Stuart T. Waldrip - United States Judge (Ret.), Orange County Superior Court, California

Judge Stuart T. Waldrip was a business litigator in California for 29 years before being appointed to the Orange County Superior Court. His legal career has spanned more than 45 years. He presided over hundreds of case

management and settlement conferences, felony criminal and civil trials, and other judicial proceedings. He has received many awards and honors, including having been inducted as a Fellow of the prestigious American College of Trial Lawyers. His final assignment before retiring from the Court was as a member of the elite Complex Civil Litigation Panel. He presided over complex confastruction, product defect, class action, intellectual property, mass tort, condemnation and other large and difficult civil cases. Since 2005, he has been affiliated with Judicate West and Intermountain Dispute Resolution, serving as a mediator, arbitrator, special master and referee on hundreds of disputed matters. He lived in Bulgaria as a special advisor to the Bulgarian Judiciary and Administrative Branch for 6 months in 2010. He conducted training on judicial management of corruption and high-profile criminal cases, judicial ethics, case management and related topics. He attended over 200 court proceedings, made presentations to over 1000 judges, and was involved in the creation of Bulgaria's Specialized Court for high-profile criminal cases. His service earned him the commendation of the Red Badge of Honor from The Bulgarian National Institute of Justice. He has been to Bulgaria four times and has had similar, shorter assignments in Romania, Slovakia, Montenegro, and Timor Leste.



J. Clifford Wallace – United States Chief Judge Emeritus, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Judge J. Clifford Wallace is a Navy veteran and a 1955 graduate of the University of California Boalt Hall School of Law. He has devoted more than fifty years to the law, as partner in a San Diego law firm, as a United

States District Judge for the Southern District of California, and as member, Chief Judge, and Senior Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Since assuming Senior Judge status in 1996, Judge Wallace has spent much of his time traveling every continent of the world to promote the rule of law in developing countries. A prolific writer, lecturer, and teacher, he has taught courses in judicial administration in the United States and throughout the world and has consulted with more than fifty judiciaries worldwide. He developed the concept of the Conference of Chief Justices of Asia and the Pacific and originated the idea and developed the concept for the American Inns of Court. He has received many honors, recognitions, and awards, including the 2005 Edward J. Devitt Distinguished Service to Justice Award, generally regarded as "the most prestigious honor conferred on a member of the federal judiciary," and the 2009 Distinguished Service Award for Religious Freedom from the International Center for Law and Religion Studies.



Pham Xuan Truong – Vietnam Deputy General Director, Protestant Department, Government Committee for Religious Affairs

Mr. Pham Xuan Truong was trained at the Academy of Politics and Military from 1980 to 1987. He has worked in the Military as a teacher, a trainer, and a leader, before moving to the Ministry

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Nguyen Thanh Xuan – Vietnam Deputy Head, Public Security Division, Ministry of Public Security

Nguyen Thanh Xuan is Deputy Head of Public Security, Ministry of Public Security, and is a Religion Specialist. He is a graduate of the Academy of the People's Security (1996-2001) and has worked at the Department of Public

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Ahmed M. Ebrahim – Zimbabwe

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Ahmed M. Ebrahim studied law in the United Kingdom, where he was admitted as a barrister in 1962. He worked in Zimbabwe's legal system for 50 years. He started as a clerk at the Criminal Court in September and was

at the Attorney-General's Office for 19 years, rising to the position of Director of Public Prosecution, before he was appointed High Court judge in 1984. He was elevated to the Supreme Court where he spent 12 years before he retired in 2002. At his retirement, he was the second most senior judge on the bench. In 2004 he was awarded the Pravasi Bharatiya Samman award by the Indian government for his outstanding role in fostering good relations between Zimbabwe and India. He is currently one of the five international judges of appeal in Swaziland and is current chair of the committee set up to probe the Asiagate match-fixing scandal in football.

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orking to assist in building networks of scholars, experts, and policy makers, the Center has been hosting this Annual International Law and Religion Symposium for 22 years. In that time more than 1,100 experts from 120 countries have come to BYU's Law School to discuss pressing issues of law and religion. The Center also helps sponsor 10-15 regional conferences each year throughout the world, and Center experts participate in 30-50 more annually.

Active since the Center's beginning in law reform efforts concerning religious liberty, Center faculty have participated in consultations on draft legislation in more than 50 countries, have given expert testimony before the U.S. Congress and the Indonesian Constitutional Court, and have authored or co-authored reviews of legislation, amicus briefs in the U.S. Supreme Court, and interventions before the European Court of Human Rights.

Academic engagement on law and religion issues is also central to the Center's mission. Center faculty have edited or written books and chapters in a number of volumes on law and religion issues published by Oxford, Ashgate, Carolina, Brill, Martinus Nijhoff, Routledge, and others. Center personnel edit an annually updated treatise on religious organizations and U.S. law, serve as editors and advisors for the Oxford Journal of Law and Religion and the Brill Encyclopedia of Law and Religion, and supervise the annual publication of a Law and Religion Symposium issue of the BYU Law Review.

In addition to its own website, the Center manages Religlaw, a website for gathering legislation, court cases, news, and other relevant law and religion materials, along with the Strasbourg Consortium website and case table, dedicated to the freedom of religion or belief jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights. The Center also provides a Law and Religion Headlines service, sending a near-daily email list of news on this topic from around the world. Find links to these services and to the Center's Facebook pages and YouTube channel from the website at **iclrs.org**. Twitter **@iclrsorg**.



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