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I WILL ATTEND "Human Rights and the United States: The Past, Present and Future of Dignity and Justice for All":

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 \$15 (low-income with lunch)

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Human Rights and the United States:
 The Past, Present and Future
 of Dignity and Justice for All

Monday, June 30, 2008
 Dorsey & Whitney, LLP
 50 South Sixth Street
 15th Floor
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"Where justice is denied, where poverty is enforced, where ignorance prevails, and where any one class is made to feel that society is an organized conspiracy to oppress, rob and degrade them, neither persons nor property will be safe."

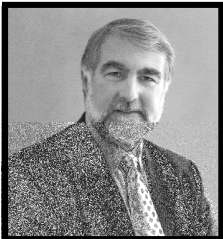
~ Frederick Douglass

Conference Overview

Celebrating a quarter century of protecting and promoting human rights around the world, The Advocates for Human Rights will host the sixth annual human rights law and policy conference, *Human Rights and the United States: The Past, Present and Future of Dignity and Justice for All*. The conference will take a retrospective look at the human rights movement that has brought us into the 21st century and what the future holds for human rights in the United States and around the world. An experienced line-up of human rights practitioners and activists will address topics such as:

- **Women and Human Rights** ~ Learn about the evolution of the women's human rights movement and the use of traditional and innovative human rights strategies to create system change.
- **Conflict and Human Rights** ~ Learn how conflict leads to human rights violations and how human rights law has been used to prevent and heal from conflict.
- **Using US Domestic Law and International Human Rights Law to Advocate** ~ Learn how human rights advocates have used the US Constitution and international laws to defend and protect human rights here and around the world.
- **Human Rights Issues for the 21st Century** ~ Learn how human rights intersects with trade, security, and the environment.

Keynote and Plenary Speakers



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From the refugee camps of Darfur, Sudan, to the poorest villages in India; from the prison cells of Monrovia, Liberia, to the business suites of Hong Kong, to Louisiana's death row, Dr. William F. Schulz has traveled the globe in pursuit of a world free from human rights violations. As Executive Director of Amnesty International USA from 1994-2006, Dr. Schulz headed the American section of the world's oldest and largest international human rights organization. He is currently a Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress in Washington, DC, where he works in the area of religion and public policy and oversees a project designed to provide a blueprint for future US administrations' human rights policy. During 2006-07 he served as a Fellow at the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government and currently serves as a Presidential Fellow at Simmons College in Boston and an Adjunct Professor at the Wagner School of New York University.

During his twelve years at Amnesty, Dr. Schulz led missions to Liberia, Tunisia, Northern Ireland, and Sudan. He also traveled extensively in other regions of the world, and the United States, spreading the human rights message. A frequent guest on television programs such as Good Morning, America, The Today Show, Hardball and Nightline, Dr. Schulz is the author of *In Our Own Best Interest: How Defending Human Rights Benefits Us All* (2001, Beacon Press), *Tainted Legacy: 9/11 and the Ruin of Human Rights* (2003, Nation Books) and the forthcoming *The Future of Human Rights: US Policy for a New Era* (2008, University of Pennsylvania Press). He is regularly quoted in *The New York Times* and other national publications.



Peggy Hicks is Global Advocacy Director of Human Rights Watch (HRW), and is responsible for coordinating HRW's advocacy team and providing direction to HRW's advocacy worldwide.

Prior to joining HRW in January 2005, Ms. Hicks served as Director of the Office for Returns and Communities in the UN mission in Kosovo. She has worked previously as Director of Programs and General Counsel for the International Human Rights Law Group (now Global Rights), where she managed more than a dozen country programs. Before joining the Law Group, Ms. Hicks was the Deputy High Representative for Human Rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the highest-ranking international official responsible for implementation of the human rights aspects of the Dayton Peace Agreement. Earlier, Ms. Hicks had worked as a human rights advisor in the office of the UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General in the former Yugoslavia. She has acted as an expert consultant for the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights on numerous occasions, including advising on the establishment of the Sierra Leone Truth and Reconciliation Commission. She has also served as clinical professor of human rights and refugee law at the University of Minnesota Law School. As senior counsel at Minnesota's largest private law firm, Ms. Hicks specialized in international litigation practice and legal malpractice defense. She is admitted to the bars of Washington, DC and Minnesota, and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

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AGENDA

Monday, June 30, 2008

8:30	Registration	
9:00	Welcome	ROBIN PHILLIPS, <i>Executive Director</i> , The Advocates for Human Rights
9:15	Keynote Address	Restoring America's Credibility: The Future of Human Rights WILLIAM F. SCHULZ, <i>Senior Fellow</i> , Center for American Progress
10:45	Workshops 1 & 2	Workshop 1: Women and Human Rights Moderator: AVIVA BREEN, <i>Former Executive Director</i> , MN Legislative Commission on the Economic Status of Women Panelists: ANGELA BORTEL, <i>Staff Attorney</i> , The Advocates for Human Rights ALENA CHAPS, <i>Program Assistant</i> , The Advocates for Human Rights MARY ELLINGEN, <i>Staff Attorney</i> , The Advocates for Human Rights Workshop 2: Conflict and Human Rights Moderator: ELLEN SAMPSON, <i>Shareholder</i> , Leonard, Street & Deinard Panelists: MONTE ACHENBACH, <i>Vice President of International Programs</i> , American Refugee Committee AHMED SIRLEAF, <i>Program Associate</i> , The Advocates for Human Rights LINDA L. NIELSEN, <i>International Programs Clinical Consultant</i> , Center for Victims of Torture
12:00	Lunch	Book Signing by WILLIAM F. SCHULZ Launch of The Advocates for Human Rights' Discover Human Rights Institute
1:00	Plenary Address	A New Age in Human Rights: The UN Human Rights Council PEGGY HICKS, <i>International Advocacy Director</i> , Human Rights Watch
2:30	Workshops 3 & 4	Workshop 3: Using US Law and International Law to Advocate for Human Rights Moderator: JAMES DORSEY, Fredrikson & Byron P.A. Panelists: THOMAS TINKHAM, <i>Partner</i> , Dorsey & Whitney LLP KORIR SING'OEI, <i>Executive Director</i> , Centre for Minority Rights Development MARK GIROUARD, <i>Associate</i> , Halleland Lewis Nilan & Johnson SANDRA JEZERSKI, <i>Shareholder</i> , Halleland Lewis Nilan & Johnson Workshop 4: Human Rights Issues for the 21st Century Moderator: BARBARA FREY, <i>Director</i> , Human Rights Program, University of Minnesota Panelists: STEVE SUPPAN, <i>Senior Policy Analyst</i> , Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy LLEWELLYN HILLE, <i>Minnesota Organizer</i> , Oxfam America
3:45	Evaluation	

INFORMATION

Directions ~ Parking ~ Lodging

DIRECTIONS:
From the East
Take I-94 west to South 5th Street exit. Turn left onto Portland Ave. Proceed two blocks, turn right onto 7th Street. Follow 7th Street to Hennepin Avenue and turn right. Take a right onto South 6th Street. Enter parking garage for 50 South Sixth on the left.

From the West
Take I-394 east to South 6th Street exit. Proceed three blocks. Enter parking garage for 50 South Sixth on the left.

From I-94, take the North 4th Street exit. Proceed to 1st Avenue North and turn right. Turn left on North 6th Street. Parking garage for 50 South Sixth is on the left.

From the North
From I-35W, take Hwy. 280 to I-94 west to South 5th Street exit. Turn left onto Portland Ave. Proceed two blocks, turn right onto 7th Street. Follow 7th Street to Hennepin Avenue and turn right. Take a right onto South 6th Street. Enter parking garage for 50 South Sixth on the left.

From the South
From I-35W, take the South 11th Street exit and proceed to Hennepin Avenue; turn right. Turn right again on South 6th Street. Enter parking garage for 50 South Sixth on the left.

By Light Rail
It's a 25-minute light rail ride from the airport to downtown Minneapolis. Board the train at the airport or any point southeast of downtown Minneapolis. Disembark at the Nicollet Mall and 5th Street stop. Walk one short block west. The building entrance is on the corner of 6th and Nicollet.

PARKING:
Parking is available on floors 4 through 8 only in the 50 South Sixth St. ramp. Take the parking elevator to the first floor, switch to the office elevators, and come to the 15th floor. For other parking options go to www.theadvocatesforhumanrights.org.

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