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this CLE seminar and film!**



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**Minnesota Advocates
for Human Rights
and the
University of
Minnesota Human
Rights Center
present**

**IN THE SHADOWS:
Non-citizens and
U.S. Violations of
the International
Covenant on Civil
and Political Rights
~ CLE and Film ~**

**In commemoration of
Human Rights Day
December 8, 2006
CLE Seminar
12:30-4:30 pm
Film & Panel Discussion
7:00-9:00 pm**

**University of Minnesota
Law School
229 19th Ave. So.
Mpls., MN 55455**

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CLE SCHEDULE

- 12:30-1:00 CLE REGISTRATION**
- 1:00-2:15 SHADOWING HUMAN RIGHTS: THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS AND U.N. MECHANISMS TO ENFORCE HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTIONS**
- 2:15-2:30 BREAK**
- 2:30-4:00 COMING OUT OF THE SHADOWS: U.S. VIOLATIONS OF THE RIGHTS OF ALIENS UNDER THE ICCPR**
- 4:00-4:30 STAYING OUT OF THE SHADOWS: STRATEGIES FOR ADVOCATING FOR OUR CLIENTS USING U.N. MECHANISMS**

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SPEAKERS

- Michele Garnett McKenzie**, Refugee and Immigrant Program Director, Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights
- Mark J. Girouard**, Associate, Halleland Lewis Nilan & Johnson
- Sandra L. Jezierski**, Shareholder, Halleland Lewis Nilan & Johnson
- Kathy Moccio**, Director of Pro Bono Development, American Immigration Lawyers Association
- Robin Phillips**, Executive Director, Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights
- Jennifer Prestholdt**, Deputy Director, Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights
- Malinda Schmiechen**, Staff Attorney, Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights
- Jennifer Stohl Powell**, Lead Attorney, Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services

CLE registration is required to attend.



**EVENING FILM AND
PANEL DISCUSSION**

7:00-9:00 p.m.

“Crossing Arizona”

The movie looks at the hotly debated issues surrounding illegal immigration. Heightened security in California and Texas has pushed illegal border-crossers into the treacherous Arizona desert in unprecedented numbers – an estimated 4,500 a day. Most are Mexican men in search of work, but increasingly the border-crossers are women and children. The flow of migrants and the rising death toll have elicited complicated feelings about human rights, culture, class, labor and national security.

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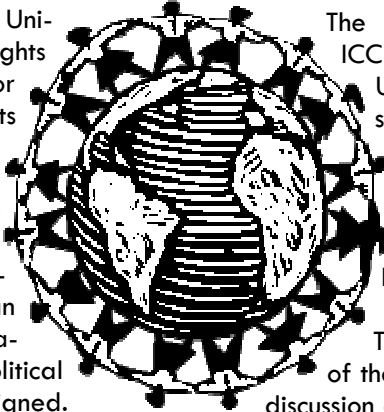
PANELISTS INCLUDE:

- Ann Theisen**, Program Associate, Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights
- Francisco Segovia**, Executive Director, Waite House
- Professor Rudolph J. Vecoli**, Former Director, Immigration History Research Center at the University of Minnesota

**The movie and panel discussion are free
and require no registration.**

MINNESOTA ADVOCATES FOR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMEMORATES INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY 2006

To commemorate the signing of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948), Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights and the Human Rights Center of the University of Minnesota will hold an afternoon CLE and evening event to highlight the situation of refugees and immigrants in the U.S., in particular regarding the violation of their human rights guaranteed by the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR), which the U.S. has signed.



The CLE will address the scope of the ICCPR, mechanisms for enforcement and U.S. compliance, as well as a discussion on how to advocate for clients using this system. The cost for the CLE seminar is \$50/\$25. To attend, please return the event registration form to Minnesota Advocates by December 5.

The evening event includes a showing of the film, "*Crossing Arizona*" and a panel discussion at 7:00 p.m.

CLE SEMINAR SESSIONS

SHADOWING HUMAN RIGHTS: THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS AND U.N. MECHANISMS TO ENFORCE HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTIONS

What is the ICCPR? What rights pertaining to refugees and immigrants are guaranteed by the ICCPR? Is the U.S. bound to comply with the ICCPR? How is the ICCPR used to monitor human rights situations and to make claims of human rights violations? These questions and more will be addressed by a panel of experts.

COMING OUT OF THE SHADOWS: U.S. VIOLATIONS OF THE RIGHTS OF ALIENS UNDER THE ICCPR

Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights, along with a team of volunteers from the law firm of Halleland Lewis Nilan & Johnson and 60 U.S.-based non-governmental organizations, wrote a **Shadow Report** to bring their concerns about the treatment of non-citizens in the U.S. to the attention of the U.N. Human Rights Committee. In July 2006, a team led by Minnesota Advocates presented the report before this Committee in Geneva at its formal review of U.S. compliance with the ICCPR.

The ICCPR includes provisions related to due process, right to counsel for individuals in removal proceedings (including refugees, asylum seekers, juveniles and lawful permanent residents), detention matters, as well as the rights of migrant workers to freedom of association and nondiscrimination. This session will provide an overview of the report and panelists will discuss the sections of the Shadow Report addressing the above issues.

STAYING OUT OF THE SHADOWS: STRATEGIES FOR ADVOCATING FOR OUR CLIENTS USING U.N. MECHANISMS

Participants will have the opportunity to dialogue with the panelists about how advocates can be involved in the ICCPR reporting process and how they can use this system to protect and enforce the rights of their clients in the U.S. under the ICCPR.

This seminar is a must for all refugee and immigrant advocates as well as immigration practitioners. Registration is required to attend the CLE Seminar.

IN THE SHADOWS: Non-citizens and U.S. Violations of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights CLE Seminar Registration Form

Friday, December 8, 2006
University of Minnesota Law School
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Minneapolis, MN

NAME _____

SELECT ONE:

\$50 (general admission)

FIRM/NON-PROFIT/LAW SCHOOL _____

\$25 (non-profit/government/student)

ADDRESS _____

I cannot attend. Please send me the materials (\$25).

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

I cannot attend, but would like to make a contribution of \$_____.

PHONE _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT:

FAX _____

Check (please make payable to MAHR)

Visa

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

Mastercard

CREDIT CARD # _____

EXP. DATE _____

SIGNATURE _____

CLE: 3.25 credits to be applied for.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: December 5, 2006.

REFUND & CANCELLATION: All cancellations will be charged a \$25 administrative fee. Paid registrants who do not cancel, yet fail to attend, will receive the written materials.

PLEASE RETURN REGISTRATION WITH PAYMENT TO:

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