

Samuel Dash Conference on Human Rights
"The Challenge of Balancing Peace and Justice"



Samuel Dash

Monday, March 1, 2010, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Georgetown University Law Center
Gewirz Student Center, 12th Floor
120 F Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

SCHEDULE:

9:30 - 9:45 a.m.

Welcome

9:45 - 11:15 a.m.

Panel 1 - Peace and Justice: An Evolving Legal and Policy Framework

Sara Darehshori, Senior Counsel, International Justice Program, Human Rights Watch

Neil Kritz, Senior Scholar in Residence, Center for Mediation and Conflict Resolution, United States Institute of Peace

Diane Orentlicher, Deputy, Office of War Crimes Issues, U.S. Department of State

David Tolbert, President, International Center for Transitional Justice

David Luban, Professor, Georgetown University Law Center (*Moderator*)

11:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Panel 2 - Reconciling Peace and Justice in the Heat of Peace Talks

David Crane, Distinguished Professor of Practice, Syracuse University College of Law; former Prosecutor, Special Court for Sierra Leone

Chester Crocker, James R. Schlesinger Professor of Strategic Studies, School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University; former U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs

Richard Goldstone, Distinguished Visitor from the Judiciary, Georgetown University Law Center; former Prosecutor, United Nations International Criminal Tribunals for the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda

Richard Williamson, Roberta Buffett Visiting Professor of International Studies, Northwestern University; former U.S. Special Envoy to Sudan; former U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs; former Ambassador to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights

Sara Darehshori, Senior Counsel, International Justice Program, Human Rights Watch
(*Moderator*)

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Luncheon Remarks

Aryeh Neier, President, Open Society Institute; **Robert F. Drinan**, S.J. Visiting Professor of Human Rights Law, Georgetown University Law Center

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Panel 3 - Building Firm Foundations: Peace, Justice, and the Rule of Law

Mark Drumbl, Professor and Director of the Transnational Law Institute, Washington and Lee University School of Law; Georgetown Law Class of 1975

Rupert Skilbeck, Litigation Director, International Justice Program, Open Society Justice Initiative

Adam Smith, Associate, Covington & Burling; Author, *After Genocide: Bringing the Devil to Justice*

Jane Stromseth, Professor, Georgetown University Law Center

Cecile Aptel, Senior Fellow, International Center for Transitional Justice (*Moderator*)

3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Keynote Address

Stephen Rapp, U.S. Ambassador-at-Large for War Crimes Issues

NOTE:

This is the fifth annual Samuel Dash Conference on Human Rights. It is sponsored by the Georgetown Law [Human Rights Institute](#) and [Human Rights Watch](#).

The annual Samuel Dash Conference on Human Rights was established by Samuel Dash's family and friends, Georgetown Law alumni and the law firm of Cozen O'Connor to honor Dash's contributions to international human rights and domestic civil rights.

Dash, who joined the Georgetown Law faculty in 1965, and was on the board of the International League of Human Rights, traversed the globe in pursuit of justice. He led a human rights mission to Northern Ireland to investigate the 1972 "Bloody Sunday" incident, and traveled to the Soviet Union and Chile. In 1985, he was the first American to visit Nelson Mandela in prison and became involved in mediation efforts that eventually led to Mandela's release.

Dash also served as chief counsel of the Senate Watergate Committee's investigation into the Nixon administration's involvement in the Democratic National Committee break-in, which ultimately led to President Nixon's resignation.

Dash died in 2004.