

**LATINOS AND THE DEATH PENALTY PROGRAM**  
**APRIL 10 & 11, University of Texas School of Law**

The Berkeley Law Death Penalty Clinic, Cornell Death Penalty Project and University of Texas Capital Punishment Center cordially invite you to a symposium on “Latinos and the Death Penalty” at the University of Texas School of Law on April 10-11, 2015. The conference brings together experts from a variety of fields (law, sociology, criminology, psychology, linguistics, history, and international relations) to illuminate a relatively unexplored aspect of the American death penalty. The program, described below, is free and open to the public.

Friday, April 10 (All panels in Eidman Courtroom, University of Texas School of Law)

Breakfast (8:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.) Eidman Courtroom Reception Area

Welcome (9:15-9:30)

Panel One (9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.): **Latinos, Discrimination, and the Death Penalty: An Historical, Political and Cultural Perspective**

Moderator: **Jordan Steiker**, University of Texas School of Law; Panelists: **Richard Ainslie**, Professor, Center for Mexican American Studies, University of Texas; **William Carrigan**, Professor of History, Rowan University; **David Leal**, University of Texas at Austin Government Department; **Maurie Levin**, Mexican Capital Legal Assistance Attorney; **Lorena Estrada-Martinez**, Assistant Professor of Urban Public Health, University of Massachusetts, Boston.

Panel Two (1:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.): **Litigating Capital Cases with Latino Clients: Distinctive Issues in Plea Bargaining, Mitigation Development, Jury Selection, and Trial Strategy**

Moderator: **Elisabeth Semel**, University of California, Berkeley, School of Law; Panelists: **Stephen K. Harper**, Florida International University School of Law; **Dr. Antonio Puente**, Professor of Psychology, University of North Carolina Wilmington & Clinical Neuropsychologist; **Susan Berk-Seligson**, Professor of Spanish Linguistics, Vanderbilt University; **Naomi Terr**, Texas Defender Service/Mexican Capital Legal Assistance Program.

Break

Panel Three (3:00 p.m.-4:45 p.m.): **Litigating Capital Cases with Latino non-National Clients: Investigation Outside American Borders, Litigating International Treaty Claims, and other Challenges/Opportunities**

Moderator: **Ariel Dulitzky**, University of Texas School of Law; Panelists: **Sandra Babcock**, Cornell Law School; **Greg Kuykendall**, Director, Mexican Capital Legal Assistance Program; **Alicia Amezcua-Rodriguez**, Mexican Capital Legal Assistance Attorney /Mitigation specialist; **Victor Uribe**, Head of the Legal Affairs Section,

Embassy of Mexico.

Saturday, April 11 (All panels in Eidman Courtroom, University of Texas School of Law)

Breakfast (8:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m.) Eidman Courtroom Reception Area.

Panel Four (Saturday, 9:15 a.m.-10:45 a.m.): **Latinos and the Death Penalty: Emerging Agenda for Future Scholarship and Empirical Study**  
Moderator: **Carol Steiker**, Harvard Law School; Panelists: **Catherine Grosso**, Michigan State Law School; **Sheri Johnson**, Cornell Law School, **Sherod Thaxton**, UCLA School of Law.