

Terrorism and Assassination

An Inquiry into Morality, Legality, and Expediency

The University of Richmond School of Law

The Allen Chair Symposium

April 11-12, 2002

Thursday April 11, 200²: 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Opening Plenary Session: A Role-Playing Exercise and Town Meeting

"The Assassination of a Terrorist Enemy"

In this opening plenary session a group of nationally prominent political leaders, policy makers, scholars, and members of the intelligence, military, religious, and civil liberties communities will engage in a role-playing exercise exploring a fictional scenario posing the question of whether the United States should undertake an operation to assassinate the leader of a terrorist organization deemed responsible for acts of violence against the United States. The issue will be explored through historical, moral, religious, operational, political, diplomatic, and legal perspectives. The final segment of the program will include a "town meeting" discussion in which members of the audience will participate in the debate and deliberation. These issues will in turn be explored the next day of the conference in a series of more specifically focused sessions.

Panelists:

Jeff Addicott , June Aprille , William C. Banks , Azizah al-Hibri , Julie Laskaris , Peter Raven-Hansen , Gary Solis , Porcher Taylor , Robert Turner

Moderator: Rod Smolla

Friday April 12, 200²

9-10:15 a.m.

Roundtable Session I: "Policy, Politics, and Operations"

Panelists: Jeff Addicott, William C. Banks, Peter Raven-Hansen, Gary Solis, Robert Turner, others
TBA

Moderator: John Paul Jones

10:30-11:45 a.m.

Roundtable Session II: "Moral and Religious Perspectives"

Panelists: Azizah al-Hibri, others TBA

Moderator: Julie Laskaris

12:00 - 1:30 p.m

Lunch Break

1:30 - 2:45 p.m.

Roundtable Session III: "Assassination as an Instrument of Policy and the Law"

Panelists: Jeff Addicott, William C. Banks, Peter Raven-Hansen, Gary Solis, John Paul Jones, Robert Turner, others TBA

Moderator: Porcher Taylor

Continuing Legal Education:

Application in process for 6 hours of CLE (including 1.5 Ethics hours)

Suggested Reading:

W. Hays Parks, *Assassination and the Law of War*, 3 **Cum Dig. U.S. Prac. in Int'l Law** 1981 - 88 3411-3421 (1996).

Peter Dale Scott, *(CIA) Inspector General's Report on the Plot to Kill Castro, An Introduction* (1994)

Gary Solis, *Assassination and American Armed Forces*, **Mil. L. News** 6 (Autumn 2001) (Va. State Bar Mil. Law Sec. Newsletter)

Paul Wilkinson, *The Role of the Military in Combatting Terrorism in a Democratic Society* (The 1995 Mountbatten Lecture at Edinburgh University), 8 **Terrorism & Pol. Violence** 1-11 (1996).

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Convenient Lodgings
