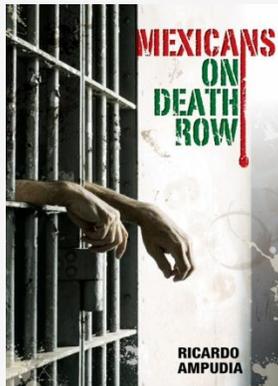


Black, Brown and Invisible: Minorities on Death Row

Don't miss this opportunity to hear a
compelling roundtable discussion



Ricardo Ampudia explores the history and ethics of the death penalty in this fascinating look at its impact on Mexicans sentenced to death in the U.S. Originally published in Mexico as *Mexicanos al grito de muerte*, this absorbing account of the history, use and flaws of the death penalty is a must-read for anyone

Event Information:

Thursday, September 22, 2011, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

[The University of St. Thomas](#)

Jerabeck Center's Scanlan Room

3800 Montrose Blvd., Houston, TX 77006

For more information, call 713-743-2999

This event is free and open to the public.

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Topics of Discussion:

Scholars and legal experts join author and former Mexican Consul General of Houston Ricardo Ampudia in a conversation about the impact of the death penalty, particularly on minority

interested in the criminal justice system.

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defendants. Topics to be addressed include capital punishment, innocence, disregard of Geneva Conventions and other accords concerning consulates and detained nationals. A Q & A will be moderated and followed by a book signing.

Participants:

•**Ricardo Ampudia** is a journalist, diplomat and author of *Mexicans on Death Row* (Arte Público, 2010), which explores the history and ethics of capital punishment and how it affects the sentencing of Mexicans in the United States.

•**Scott J. Atlas**, a former litigation partner for the firm Vinson & Elkins (1982-2006), led the legal team that won the release of Ricardo Aldape Guerra, an undocumented immigrant who spent 14 years on death row. He was the first Mexican National ever released from Texas' death row.

•**Nicole Casarez**, attorney and professor at the University of St. Thomas, teaches journalism, media law, public relations and media ethics. Casarez's affiliation with the Texas Innocence Network has led to investigative work on numerous capital and non-capital cases, including that of Texas death row inmate Anthony Graves.

•**David R. Dow** is the Cullen Professor at the University of Houston Law Center, Rorschach Visiting Professor of History at Rice University and founder of the Texas Innocence Network. Dow is the author of *The Autobiography of an Execution*.

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