



National Security Committee Newsletter

January 2008

Committee Members: This is a brief newsletter to let you know about recent developments and what's on the horizon for the committee. Please let us know if you have any questions or comments.

Year in Review

Our contributing authors have submitted articles for the upcoming "Year in Review" edition of the *The International Lawyer*. We thank these authors for submitting eight interesting and timely articles:

Joseph Anzalone: Final Terms of Convention on Cluster Munitions Negotiated in 2008

Gabriel Lajeunesse: *Gates v. Syrian Arab Republic*, A Test for the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act

Carrie Newton Lyons: Pursuing Claims and Accountability over Private Security Contractors in Iraq

Faiza Patel King: 2008 Amendments to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act

Keith A. Petty: Military Commissions: *United States v. Hamdan*

Daniel B. Pickard, Matthew W. Fogarty, and Laura El-Sabaawi: Executive Order 13470:

Restructuring National Intelligence

Eve Pogoriler: Recent Developments in Anti-Terrorism Sanctions

Sheheryar Sardar: Combating Nuclear Proliferation: The Impact of the Iran Divestment Act 2008

For a copy of our most recent published Year in Review (Summer 2008), you can go our [website](#).

Programs

The Spring Meeting will be held on April 14-18 in Washington, D.C. We encourage you to check out the following programs:

Russia, Georgia, and the Use of Force and International Law. This program will be held on Wednesday, April 15 between 2:00 and 3:30 p.m. Committee Advisor John Harrington and Steering Committee Member Jonathan Meyer are planning the program. Speakers will include Paul Reichler, of Foley Hoag, counsel to the Republic of Georgia in its successful claim to the ICJ following Russia's invasion of August 2008; a speaker from the Russian Embassy Vice-Counsel; and Ruth Wedgwood, a professor of International Law and Diplomacy at the School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University.

War Powers In A New Age of Armed Conflict. This program will be held on Friday, April 17, 2009 between 2:00 and 3:30 p.m. Committee Co-Chair Christopher Hynes, with assistance from Jonathan Meyer, are planning the program, which will address the recommendations of the National War Powers Commission generally, as well as specific issues that may arise in contending with non-traditional types of armed conflict.

Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Managing Conflicts Between U.S. National Security Laws and Canadian Privacy Protection Requirements. The Committee is co-sponsoring this program. Please check Spring Meeting materials for time and date.

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The National Security Committee is concerned with current legal and policy developments nationally and internationally that affect all security interests of the United States, with a particular focus on the rule of law, nonproliferation and disarmament of weapons of mass destruction, threats by nonstate actors, intelligence, military doctrine, and international institutions such as the United Nations and NATO. The Committee hosts programs with Members of Congress, current and former administration officials, members of governmental and international agencies, and other experts at regular ABA meetings and other venues, including the United Nations and Capitol Hill. Our website is available [here](#).

2009 Spring Meeting Washington, DC

The Fairmont Washington, DC
April 14-18, 2009



“LEADING THE WORLD’S INTERNATIONAL LAWYERS SINCE 1878”

The 2009 Spring Meeting, a “Must-Attend” meeting for international lawyers, is to be held at The Fairmont Washington DC. This meeting will bring together more than 1,000 international law practitioners and deliver the best, most practical and comprehensive educational opportunities available to international lawyers.

WHAT WILL THE 2009 SPRING MEETING OFFER YOU?



- An exciting mix of over 70 substantive programs with world-class experts in a wide array of international law subjects providing valuable insights on important and current developments.
- Cutting edge programs organized into 10 special tracks on key issues of particular appeal to your area of practice and interest.
- An opportunity to discuss the latest legal, ethical and international issues with contemporaries from across the United States and around the world.
- The opportunity to fulfill CLE requirements and earn an entire year’s worth of ethics and general credits.
- Special programming for Young Lawyers and Law Students.

WHY YOU MUST ATTEND

- Learn the latest from top experts and receive information that is relevant to you in your international law practice area.
- Network with the best and brightest international lawyers at our luncheons and evening events.
- Participate in specialized meetings with colleagues who share your areas of interest by attending committee breakfasts and a dinner.
- Benefit from an exclusive opportunity to visit exhibitors of dynamic products and services for the legal profession.



SOCIAL AND NETWORKING EVENTS YOU DON’T WANT TO MISS!



- Continental Breakfasts on Thursday and Friday
- Ticketed Luncheons
- Tuesday evening “WIN/WING” Reception at The Fairmont Washington, DC Hotel
- Wednesday evening Wine and Cheese Reception
- Thursday evening Reception at The Fairmont Washington, DC Hotel
- Friday evening Closing Reception



See you at the 2009 Spring Meeting in Washington, DC!

For more information visit <http://www.abanet.org/intlaw>.

Interested in sponsorship opportunities for the 2009 Spring Meeting or the 2009 Fall Meeting in Miami, FL?
Contact Jenny Abreu, Sr. Meeting Planner at abreuj@staff.abanet.org or 202-662-1663.