The Wisconsin International Law Journal Symposium:  
The Newly Established International Criminal Court

Date: March 1, 2003  
Time: 1:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  
Place: Room 2260 University of Wisconsin Law School  
975 Bascom Mall, Madison, Wisconsin  
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Registration: Free  
Approved for 4.5 hours CLE.

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Learn more about the speakers:
Prof. Leila Nadya Sadat  
Amb. David Scheffer, Senior V. P. for Policy at the United Nations Association and former U. S. Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues  
(Click on "About UNA", then on "UNA Experts.")  
Prof. Beth Stephens of Rutgers School of Law  
Prof. Diane Orentlicher of American University's Washington College of Law  
Honorable Patricia M. Wald  
Attorney David B. Rivkin, Jr., of Baker & Hostetler

Learn more about the International Criminal Court:  
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1:00: Opening Remarks Jacinta Wang-Kilber, Editor in Chief

1:05: Welcome Kenneth B. Davis, Dean, University of Wisconsin Law School

1:10: Prof. Leila Nadya Sadat will speak on the origin of the Court, jurisdictional issues of the Court, how crimes will be charged and investigated, and the built-in safeguards against unwarranted prosecutions. Prof. Sadat of Washington University School of Law is a leading expert in international and comparative law. She was named Chair of the International Law Association committee on the International Criminal Court in 1995, which grouped most of the leading experts in the field. Prof. Sadat was an NGO delegate to the 1998 United Nations diplomatic conference in Rome at which the court was established. She is a co-author of the only casebook on international criminal law currently published in the United States. Her work has been cited by the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia.

1:50: Discussants comment

2:05: Prof. Diane Orentlicher will speak on the effectiveness of the goals of prosecuting suspected war criminals (i.e., end to impunity, deterrence, punishment, redress for victims) by an international court as opposed to seeking justice using other models. She will focus her remarks on the Cambodian genocide. Prof. Orentlicher is the Director of the War Crimes Research Office at American University. Besides providing support to the ad hoc international criminal tribunals, it is the nation's premier center for the documentation of war crimes.

2:45: Discussants comment

3:00: Break

3:10: Prof. Beth Stephens will speak on whether the present alternative of filing civil actions for damages against foreign nationals accused of torture and war crimes in U.S. courts is an effective form of justice. Prof. Beth Stephens specializes in the relationship between international and domestic law, focusing on the enforcement of international human rights norms through domestic courts. She was in charge of the international human rights docket at the Center for Constitutional Rights in New York.

3:50: Discussants comment

4:05: Amb. David Scheffer will speak on the U.S. legal arguments opposing the Court, its policy to remain outside the Treaty and the implications that has for American attorneys.
Amb. David Scheffer was the United States Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues in the Clinton Administration and oversaw the creation of the two ad hoc criminal tribunals for Yugoslavia and Rwanda. He represented the U.S. at negotiations drafting the Treaty that established the International Criminal Court and successfully wrote in safeguards to protect U.S. peacekeepers. He signed the Treaty for President Clinton at the 11th hour on December 31, 2000.

4:45: Discussants comment

5:00: Atty. David Rivkin, Jr. will speak on constitutional issues and problems with the International Criminal Court
Mr. Rivkin is a practicing attorney, specializing in international and constitutional law. He has extensive experience in international arbitration and policy advocacy on a wide range of international and domestic issues, including treaty implementation. Mr. Rivkin has also served as a defense and foreign policy analyst, focusing on Soviet affairs and NATO-related issues.

5:30: Moderator Closing Remarks and Reception