



# GLOBAL VIOLENCE THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S STUDY AGAINST WOMEN

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**LAW FORUM**

**Thursday,**  
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**4:00–6:00 pm**

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### **PANELISTS**

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*Chair of the Board, Women's Initiatives  
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#### **LENORA LAPIDUS**

*Director, American Civil Liberties Union  
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### **MODERATOR**

#### **ELIZABETH M. SCHNEIDER**

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#### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

In December 2003, the General Assembly of the United Nations requested the Secretary-General to prepare an in-depth study on global violence against women. This landmark study was presented to the General Assembly in September 2006 for consideration, the first time that the General Assembly has ever discussed this issue. The study highlights the persistence of all forms of violence against women in all parts of the world and the unacceptability of such violence, and identifies violence against women as a pressing human rights issue. It seeks to strengthen political commitments and joint efforts to prevent and eliminate violence against women, identify ways and means for more sustained and effective implementation of government obligations, and increase governmental and international accountability.

This forum will bring together a number of leading international human rights activists and scholars who work on global violence against women, including individuals who were involved with the study. They will discuss the significance of the study, the possibilities that it presents for future work, and assess the obstacles to change that are presented.

To read the study, go to:

[www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/vaw](http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/vaw)

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