

Promoting Collaboration and International Partnerships to Combat and Mitigate Human Trafficking

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Keynote Address

General John F. Kelly, Commanding General, Southern Command

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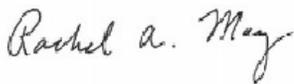
Welcome from ISLAC Director, Dr. Rachel May:

Human Trafficking is a terrible scourge on humanity. Modern day slavery generates more than \$44 billion in profits annually, and it is estimated that more than 27 million people are currently being trafficked and held as slaves. This problem is both international and domestic, and it ranges across numerous industries and forms of labor—from sexual exploitation to agriculture, domestic service and the tourist industry. Florida and Tampa Bay are home to an especially acute problem. Addressing this atrocity is an equally complex and difficult task that creates the need for partnership and collaboration across borders, and between public and private actors. We are so pleased to welcome some of the leading activists, scholars and public servants who have dedicated themselves to the fight against human trafficking. It is our hope that this conference will be the beginning of a conversation about how we can work together to end modern day slavery.

I am particularly grateful to General John F. Kelly, the Commander of United States Southern Command, whose public commitment to human rights has inspired us to move forward with this project. I am also grateful to all of our sponsors, and to Rebeca Blackwell who has spent countless hours pulling together this program, and to Stephanie Rogers who came forward to help at exactly the right moment.

I am also grateful to everyone who has agreed to participate, both as panelists and as audience members. Human trafficking can be abolished if we all get involved.

Warm regards,



Rachel A. May, Director, ISLAC

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PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2014 • PATEL CENTER, CGS AUDITORIUM

Keynote Address: 2:30 PM

Introductions: USF President, Dr. Judy Genshaft and
Lt. General Martin Steele, US Marine Corps (Retired)

KEYNOTE: GENERAL JOHN F. KELLY, COMMANDING GENERAL, SOUTHERN COMMAND

Networking Reception (invitation-only): 4:00 PM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2014 • MSC 3709 HERON ROOM

#1 Public Awareness and Education: 9:00 – 10:30 AM

Moderator: Dr. Ann Cranston-Gingas, College of Education

Southern Command/Inter-Agency: Leana Bresnahan, Chief Human Rights Officer, US Southern Command

USF: Dr. Rachel May, ISLAC

NGO: Kylla Leeburg, Deputy Director, Truckers Against Trafficking

Law Enforcement: Zackary Hughes, IAHTI

Public Official/Government: Nilda Pedrosa, Deputy Chief of Staff for Fla Attorney General Pam Bondi

#2 Rescuing and Providing Services for Victims: 10:45 – 12:15 PM

Moderator: Dr. Mary Armstrong, College of Behavioral and Community Sciences

Southern Command/Inter-Agency: Mark Kerr, USAID, Deputy Development Advisor to US Southern Command

USF: Melissa Johnson, College of Behavioral and Community Sciences

NGO: Dotti Groover-Skipper, Heart Dance Foundation

Law Enforcement: William Williger, Special Agent, DHS Investigations

Public Official/Government: Theresa Segovia, Investigator—Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit, Civil Rights Division, US Dept. of Justice

12:15 – 1:15 PM Lunch (a list of on-campus restaurants will be provided)

#3 Technology, Geography and Combating Trafficking: 1:15 – 2:45 PM

Moderator: Dr. Bernd Reiter, Department of Government and International Affairs and ISLAC

Southern Command/Inter-Agency: Ed Daniels, DHS, Senior Advisor to US Southern Command

USF: Dr. Tom Mason, College of Public Health

NGO: Niki Cross, STAAR (Stop the Abuse and Rescue) Ministry

Law Enforcement: Carmen Pino, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, DHS Investigations

Public Official/Government: Jeremy Franker, Assistant Statewide Prosecutor, Office of Statewide Prosecution, Florida

#4 Defining the Scope of the Problem and Data Collection: 3:00 – 4:30 PM

Moderator: Dr. Marti Coulter, College of Public Health

Military: Krista A. Hoffman, Consultant Joint Special Operations University and Adjunct Professor Messiah College

USF: Dr. Heide Castañeda, Department of Anthropology

NGO: Nora Ledezma, Director, Justicia Para Nuestras Niñas, Mexico

Law Enforcement: William Williger, Special Agent and Judy Dreher, Victim Assistance Specialist, DHS Investigations

Public Official/Government: Amy Rofman, Office to Monitor and Combat Human Trafficking, Dept. of State

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2014 • MSC 3709 HERON ROOM

#5 Arresting and Prosecuting Perpetrators: 9:00 – 10:30 AM

Moderator: Dr. Erin Kimmerle, Department of Anthropology

Southern Command/ Inter-Agency: Rodney LeGrande, DHS, Deputy Political Advisor to US Southern Command

USF: Dr. Robert 'LeGrande' Gardner, Department of Criminology

NGO: Laura Germino, Coalition of Immokalee Workers.

Law Enforcement: Greg Christopher, Special Agent, FBI.

Public Official/Government: Judge Lynn Tepper, Circuit Court Judge, Florida's 6th Judicial Circuit

#6 Epidemiology, Public Health and the Trafficking of Persons: 10:45-12:15 PM

Moderator: Dr. Angela Stuesse, Department of Anthropology

Southern Command/Inter-Agency: Rochelle Rollins, Dept. of Health and Human Services, Human Trafficking Health Policy Advisor

USF: Dr. Ricardo Izurieta, College of Public Health

NGO: Margarita Romo, Director, Farmworker Self-Help --Pasco County and Laura Hamilton, President, of Bridging Freedom

Law Enforcement: Zackary Hughes, IAHTI

Closing Session, Domestic and International Partnerships – What kinds of policy initiatives and concrete strategies can we articulate moving forward? 12:30 – 2:00 PM

Open only to conference participants and invited guests (Box Lunches Provided)

Moderator: Joanna Gutierrez Winters, Winters Group

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General John F. Kelly, Commanding General, Southern Command



General Kelly was born and raised in Boston, MA. He enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1970, and was discharged as a sergeant in 1972, after serving in an infantry company with the 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, NC. Following graduation from the University of Massachusetts in 1976, he was commissioned and returned to the 2nd Marine Division where he served as a rifle and weapons platoon commander, company executive officer, assistant operations officer, and infantry company commander. Sea duty in Mayport, FL, followed, at which time he served aboard aircraft carriers USS Forrestal and USS Independence. In 1980, then Captain Kelly transferred to the U.S. Army's Infantry Officer Advanced Course in Fort Benning, GA. After graduation, he was assigned to Headquarters Marine Corps, Washington, DC, serving there from 1981 through 1984, as an assignment monitor. Captain Kelly returned to the 2nd Marine Division in 1984, to command a rifle and weapons company. Promoted to the rank of Major in 1987, he served as the battalion's operations officer.

In 1987, Major Kelly transferred to the Basic School, Quantico, VA, serving first as the head of the Offensive Tactics Section, Tactics Group, and later assuming the duties of the Director of the Infantry Officer Course. After three years of instructing young officers, he attended the Marine Corps Command and Staff College, and the School for Advanced Warfare, both located at Quantico. Completing duty under instruction and selected for Lieutenant Colonel, he was assigned as Commanding Officer, 1st Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, CA. Holding this command position for two years, Lieutenant Colonel Kelly returned to the East Coast in 1994, to attend the National War College in Washington, DC. He graduated in 1995, and was selected to serve as the Commandant's Liaison Officer to the U.S. House of Representatives, Capitol Hill, where he was promoted to the rank of Colonel.

In 1999, Colonel Kelly transferred to joint duty and served as the Special Assistant to the Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, in Mons, Belgium. He returned to the United States in 2001, and was assigned to a third tour of duty at Camp Lejeune, now as the Assistant Chief of Staff G-3 with the 2nd Marine Division. In 2002, selected to the rank of Brigadier General, Colonel Kelly again served with the 1st Marine Division, this time as the Assistant Division Commander. Much of Brigadier General Kelly's two-year assignment was spent deployed in Iraq. He then returned to Headquarters Marine Corps as the Legislative Assistant to the Commandant from 2004 to 2007. Promoted to major general, he returned to Camp Pendleton as the Commanding General, I Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward). The command deployed to Iraq in early 2008 for a year-long mission, replacing II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward) as Multinational Force-West in Al Anbar and western Ninewa provinces. LtGen Kelly commanded Marine Forces Reserve and Marine Forces North from October 2009 to March 2011. General Kelly comes to United States Southern Command from his previous position as the Senior Military Assistant to the Secretary of Defense from March 2011 to October 2012.

PANEL BIOS

Leana Bresnahan, Chief of the Human Rights Office, US Southern Command (USSOUTHCOM). Ms. Bresnahan has been with the USSOUTHCOM Human Rights Program since 1996, and has served as its chief since 2009. The Human Rights Office, the only of its kind in the U.S. Department of Defense, is responsible for advising Command leadership on human rights policies and issues, integrating human rights into Command activities and operations, and providing annual human rights awareness education and combating trafficking in persons training to Command personnel. Through the ground-breaking Human Rights Initiative (HRI), the Human Rights Office supports the military and security forces of those nations in Central and South America and the Caribbean that choose to participate in building robust, effective human rights programs. The Office also sponsors civil-military dialogues focusing on militaries and representatives from human rights organizations engaging in dialogue in order to cooperate on the shared goal of ensuring human rights are protected. Ms. Bresnahan has a Master's Degree in International Management from the Thunderbird School of Global Management and a Master's of Law (LL.M.) in Intercultural Human Rights from St. Thomas University School of Law.

Dr. Rachel A. May is the Director of the Institute for the Study of Latin America and the Caribbean, and an Associate Professor of Latin American Studies and International Human Rights at USF. She has written extensively about political violence, human rights, and transitional justice and memory in Latin America-- especially Central America, Argentina and Colombia. She teaches a course on human rights in Latin America every Fall at USF, and she runs a human rights study abroad program in the summers in Buenos Aires. Before coming to USF in 2009, she spent 17 years at the University of Washington, Tacoma.

Kylla Leeburg is Deputy Director and co-founder of Truckers Against Trafficking, a 501(c)3 organization dedicated to educate, equip, empower and mobilize members of the trucking and travel plaza industry to combat domestic sex trafficking. Ms. Leeburg has been involved in the fight against human trafficking since 2007 when she helped initiate the state coalition against trafficking in Oklahoma. TAT promotes coalition-building between members of the trucking industry, law enforcement and local anti-trafficking groups. Ms. Leeburg is an active public speaker on human trafficking and how the trucking industry is proactive in prevention strategies. TAT awards are: 2012 Norma Hotelling Award for Innovative Demand Reduction from Global Centurion; recognition by the United Nations as one of the 100 Best Practices for Combating Human Trafficking in 2013; recognition on the Congressional floor for its grassroots efforts; multiple special recognition awards from the trucking industry and Award of Service in 2014 from the Trafficking in America Task Force. Ms. Leeburg also authored a book called My Life Crazy about her missionary experiences working with gangs in El Salvador in the mid-1990s. She was also named Broken Arrow Public Schools District Teacher of the Year in 2011.

Detective Zackary Hughes is a six year veteran of the 3rd Brigade 82nd Airborne Division as an infantryman. He deployed to Operation Southern Watch (Kuwait), Multinational Force Observers Mission (Egypt), and Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan) on top of numerous local, national, and international training events. He held a variety of duty positions from Automatic Rifleman, to Weapons Squad Leader, and Unit Armor. He is also an Eagle Scout. Currently he is a Deputy Sheriff at the Marion County Sheriff's Office. He was just recently released from road patrol and assigned to the Special Investigations Bureau as a Major Crimes Detective. While assigned to road patrol he served as a Field Training Officer, Crisis Negotiator, and Mobile Field Force Team Member. However, his passion lies in with The Marion County Human Trafficking Task Force. He holds a position of the executive board and serves as one of the lead local level trainers. He was introduced at the University of Florida as a, "social justice advocate-that just happens to be a cop." He never expected to be in this position in his professional life but, the combination of cases, training, and passion got him there. He was awarded the 2014 Bill Rutherford award for his work on Human Trafficking prevention in Marion County.

He has a wife and three daughters. He has a bachelor's degreed in criminal Justice from St Leo University and is presently pursuing a Master's Degree from St Leo University.

Nilda R. Pedrosa was appointed by Florida Attorney General Pam Bondi to serve as Deputy Chief of Staff. As a member of the Attorney General's senior leadership team, Pedrosa works with the Attorney General on the development and implementation of major policy initiatives, among them, the fight against human trafficking. Prior to joining the Attorney General's team, Nilda served as Assistant Dean at Florida International University College of Law.

Before returning to Florida, Nilda served for 8 years in the federal government, occupying key roles both in the Executive Branch, at the U.S. Department of State, and the Legislative Branch, working for Members of both Houses of Congress. She served as Chief of Staff to Congressman Mario Diaz-Balart, securing his re-election without opposition during the 2010 election cycle. From 2005 to 2008 Nilda served as Senior Policy Advisor to U.S. Senator Mel Martinez, advising the Senator on key policy issues including immigration reform, trade, healthcare and foreign policy with an emphasis on Latin America.

Nilda received her undergraduate degree from Florida International University in Miami, Florida and her J.D. from New England Law in Boston, Massachusetts.

Mark Kerr is the Deputy Development Advisor for USAID to the U.S. Southern Command. Mr. Kerr joined USAID in September 2009. He initially served as an Attorney Advisor within the General Counsel's Office before deploying to Afghanistan as the Regional Legal Advisor (RLA). Mr. Kerr's follow-on assignment was to Andean Regional Office in Lima where he provided legal advice to USAID Missions in Peru, Colombia, and Ecuador. In addition to providing legal advice on Mission programs, Mr. Kerr has worked on a variety of issues during his tenure at USAID. After the Haiti earthquake, he led a task-force to assist orphans and vulnerable children. He was critical in integrating gender issues into Agency programs, from loans for female-headed-households to ensuring women's issues were addressed in the building of roads. A great deal of his work has been focused on handling issues related to security and crime: he oversaw USAID/Afghanistan's Anti-Corruption and Counter-Terrorism Team, advised on issues arising from the reintegration and reconciliation of enemy combatants in Afghanistan and Latin America, and has trained hundreds of U.S. personnel on issues related to trafficking-in-persons. Mr. Kerr's former experience includes a stint as a US Army JAG Corps Captain, where he served in Korea, Iraq, Afghanistan and Kosovo. Prior to the Army, he was in private practice in Miami, FL. Mr. Kerr clerked for Judge James Lawrence King in the Southern District of Florida. A native of Peoria, Illinois, Mr. Kerr received his bachelor's and master's degrees in political science from Western Illinois University. He received his J.D. from Yale Law School.

Melissa H. Johnson, M.A., M.P.H., (College of Behavioral and Community Sciences) is an applied anthropologist and senior social and behavioral researcher in the Department of Child and Family Studies at the University of South Florida. She performs research on child welfare and children's mental health services, both within the state of Florida and nationally. Ms. Johnson's research experience includes: evaluations for the Western and Pacific Child Welfare Implementation Center, which assessed system change capacity, process, and outcomes across three implementation project sites; a pilot Enhanced Therapeutic Foster Care program for youth with juvenile justice involvement in Florida, which assessed treatment fidelity and youth behavioral and mental health outcomes; and quality assessments of several child welfare case management agencies in the state of Florida. Current projects include evaluations of Florida's System of Care Expansion Grant for children's mental health services; Utah's Title IV-E Child Welfare Waiver Demonstration Project to enhance implementation of in-home services; and a pilot treatment program for youth victims of commercial sexual exploitation in Florida. Ms. Johnson's research interests include participatory research approaches, quality of care, cultural competency, and social justice and disparities in health and human services.

Dotti Groover-Skipper is the founder of the Heartdance Foundation, which ministers to survivors of human trafficking in order so that they may recover from their experiences. Through initiatives like the RAHAB Project, she also raises awareness of human trafficking. Dotti Groover-Skipper also serves on the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice Human Trafficking Strategic Planning Committee, the Board of the Hillsborough County Anti-Drug Alliance, Chair of the Hillsborough County Sex Trafficking Collaborative, and Vice-Chair of the Hillsborough County's Commission On the Status of Women (COSW), to which she brought forth the issue of child sex trafficking in the Tampa Bay area.

Special Agent Bill Williger has been a Special Agent with Homeland Security Investigations since 2006. In 2009 Special Agent Williger was assigned as the HSI full time representative to the Clearwater Area Human Trafficking Task Force. Special Agent Williger has been a part of more than 150 human trafficking investigations. Special Agent Williger has assisted with the development of Anti-Trafficking Coordination Team curriculum for the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center and the International Law Enforcement Academy. Additionally, Special Agent Williger has assisted with the development of beginner and advanced human trafficking training for the Regional Community Policing Institute at St Pete College and the Upper Midwest Policing Institute. Special Agent Williger has trained local, state, federal, and international human trafficking investigators on how to investigate proactive and reactive human trafficking cases.

Theresa Segovia is the investigator for the Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit, within the Civil Rights Division of the US Department of Justice, as well as the acting victim witness specialist for the Civil Rights Division's Criminal Section. In addition to coordinating investigative efforts for cases involving sex trafficking and forced labor throughout the United States, Ms. Segovia also provides onsite victim assistance and support to augment resources provided by federal agencies post-indictment and coordinates with federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement and victim service providers, as well as other social services providers to ensure that victims have access to both acute and long-term services. Ms. Segovia provides training for law enforcement and NGOs on human trafficking policy, best practices and trends, and she is the liaison to the federally funded human trafficking task forces. Before joining DOJ, Ms. Segovia spent eleven years with the Houston Police Department, working first as a senior trainer at the Police Academy, then as a criminal intelligence analyst, in the department's Planning and Research Section. While in Houston, Ms. Segovia also served on the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs.

Edwin Daniels is the Department of Homeland Security's Senior Advisor to U.S. Southern Command. He coordinates Homeland Security policies and operations with U.S. Southern Command to include: counterdrug operations, illegal migration, response and recovery operations, disaster relief, and planning. Prior to his current assignment he was the Chief of Operations for U.S. Coast Guard District Seven, directing all Coast Guard operations in the Caribbean; Executive Director of the U.S. Interdiction Coordinator's staff in Washington, DC. A career seagoing U.S. Coast Guard officer, Mr. Daniels commanded four cutters, conducting Law Enforcement, Defense Operations, Ice Breaking and Search and Rescue operations--from Alaska to the Caribbean Sea. He directed maritime security operations in New York and Boston harbors, following the tragic attacks of September 11th. He has worked with U.S. Southern Command to develop homeland security programs, including: multiple deployments in support of JIATF-South operations; directing the first nighttime Airborne Use of Force against a go-fast smuggling vessel; serving as Commander Task Unit 44.7.4 which directed Coast Guard operations for Operation Uphold Democracy during the 1994 mass migrations from Haiti and Cuba; and, leading the Caribbean Support Tender project--an internationally crewed ship that delivered training, maintenance support, and logistics assistance to the naval security forces of the Caribbean and Central America. He is the author of EAGLE SEAMANSHIP, a square-rigger leadership and training manual used by tall ships around the world.

Dr. Tom Mason (College of Public Health) was commissioned in the U.S. Public Health Service in 1967, and served at the CDC from 1967 to 1969. He was attached to the Community Pesticides Program, which introduced him to Environmental Medicine and Toxicology. He led the team at the National Cancer Institute which published the United States' first 'Atlas of Cancer Mortality for U.S. Counties'. He joined the graduate faculty at USF in 1993. He was the Director of the Global Center for Disaster Management and Humanitarian Action (2000 – 2006). The Global Center was funded by the Office of Naval Research. Initially it served the U.S. Southern Command, and post 9/11 all Unified Commands. Also post 9/11, he was activated as a Ready Reserve Officer CAPT (O-6), and served at the CDC/ATSDR (2001 – 2010). In 2002, he led the team which developed Florida's Preparedness Plan. Dr. Mason was appointed to the Armed Forces Epidemiological Board/ Defense Health Board effective September 2006. In 2008 he joined the Interstate Chemical Terrorism/Threats Workgroup. Dr. Mason held appointments at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (Visiting Scientist), as well as, Adjunct Professor in the Department of Preventive Medicine and Biometrics, Uniformed Services University.

Niki Cross is not only Founder and President of S.T.A.A.R. Ministry, (Stop The Abuse And Rescue), she is a survivor of abduction and kidnapping by a former boyfriend at the age of 15. Niki was held against her will and repeatedly assaulted by her abductor and others until her escape. Realizing how self-destructive her anger and silence had been, it became apparent that healing was necessary and the journey began. Her first rescue was over seventeen years ago, before it was an acceptable cause and often faced ridicule for spending time ministering to women that had been exploited and trafficked. Niki shares her story when asked, but doesn't want it to be all about her. "Survivors have a responsibility to encourage others going through the same trials. It's never too late for the hurt to heal. Once a victim, now victorious." Niki mentors several women including many that have been referred through law enforcement and was able to open the first and only safe house in Pinellas County, Florida. Niki currently sits on the board of the Community Campaign Against Human Trafficking –West Florida, now called F.R.E.E. Network, and co-hosts the Sunday morning radio show, Synergizing Samaritan Sisters, on WTIS.

Carmen J. Pino is currently the Assistant Special Agent in Charge (ASAC) of the Office of Investigations for U.S. Immigration & Customs Enforcement in Miami, Florida. In his current position he is responsible for all investigations related to violations of the Immigration & Nationality Act as well as serves as the head of the South Florida Human Trafficking Task Force. ASAC Pino began his law enforcement career in 1995 in Philadelphia with the Drug Enforcement Administration before transferring to the former U.S. Customs Service in 1997. ASAC Pino had accepted varying assignments with Customs in Arizona, New York and at Headquarters in Washington D.C. before being named Assistant Special Agent in Charge in Miami. ASAC Pino received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Cabrini College in Philadelphia.

Jeremy Franker is an Assistant Statewide Prosecutor for the Florida Office of the Attorney General in Miami. The Statewide Prosecutor's Office specializes in investigating and prosecuting organized crime cases that occur in or effect more than one judicial circuit of Florida. Mr. Franker specializes in the prosecution of human trafficking, racketeering, money laundering, synthetic drug manufacturing and distribution, prescription drug diversion, public corruption and organized fraud. Before joining the Florida Attorney General's Office, Mr Franker was an Assistant State Attorney for Florida's 11th Judicial Circuit in Miami, where he handled the prosecution of violent felonies including homicide, sexual battery and armed robbery. Mr. Franker received his Juris Doctor degree from Saint Louis University School of Law and his undergraduate degree from the University of Kansas.

Krista Hoffman is an adjunct instructor for Joint Special Operations University providing support for the Countering Violent Extremist Course in Tampa, Florida and globally as a member of the Mobile Education Team. Her topics of instruction include human trafficking, child soldiers, and financing for violent extremist groups. Ms. Hoffman is also a

researcher and writer currently working on monographs focusing on human trafficking and violent extremist groups and on disrupting violent extremist messaging and recruitment of child soldiers. She is an adjunct professor for Messiah College where she teaches Comparative International Criminal Justice Systems and Human Trafficking. Ms. Hoffman provides training and technical assistance to organizations, governments, and agencies on the topics of Human Trafficking, child soldiers, and technology and sexual abuse. Ms. Hoffman received her Bachelor's Degree from West Chester University in History and French, her Masters of Arts degree from Shippensburg University in Applied History, and is currently a doctoral candidate with Widener University's Human Sexuality Program.

Dr. Heide Castañeda is Associate Professor in the Department of Anthropology at the University of South Florida. She received her PhD in Anthropology from the University of Arizona (2007), a Masters in Public Health from the University of Texas (2002), and a Masters in Anthropology from the University of Texas at San Antonio (2000). She has worked on migrant health in Germany, Mexico, and in the United States – particularly along the US/Mexico border. Her work has appeared in journals such as *Social Science & Medicine*, *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*, *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*, *Medical Anthropology*, *Citizenship Studies*, *American Behavioral Scientist*, *American Journal of Health Behavior*, *Human Organization*, and *Annals of Anthropological Practice*, among others. She has contributed to the books *Migration and Health Research Methodologies*, *The Deportation Regime: Sovereignty, Space, and the Freedom of Movement*, and *Gender and Illegal Migration in Global and Historical Perspective*.

Norma Ledezma, is president and co-founder of the Chihuahua-based non-governmental organization *Justicia Para Nuestras Niñas* (Justice for Our Daughters), Mexico. The NGO was founded in 2002 by Norma Ledezma, Adriana Carmona, Luz Estela Castro, Laura Aragón and Alma Gómez. Ms. Ledezma's daughter, Paloma Angelica Escobar, A 16-year-old computer school student was assassinated that same year. Ms. Ledezma is dedicated to grassroots activism in Chihuahua, Mexico, an area that suffers a critical situation given that the numbers of disappeared and assassinated women are very high. One of the organization's most relevant work has been the critical review of the case files in the investigations, and the report of negligence and omissions in the local system of justice administration. The Organization is litigating some of its cases in the Inter-American Court on Human Rights, sponsored by international organizations including the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture. The NGO prompts the Government of Chihuahua to create the Special Investigations Unit, which was created in 2007. In 2008, the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights granted precautionary measures to the Center for the Rights of Women (CEDEHM for its initials in Spanish) which provides legal representation to the NGO and to Norma Ortega, given the high risk situation they are in due to the nature of their work. Justice for our Daughters has been elaborating a data base with information of all the victims, which is published on a monthly basis.

Judy Dreher, (Victim Assistance Specialist), DHS Investigations. I am the Victim Assistance Specialist for the Homeland Security Investigations Tampa office. Our Area of Responsibility covers the majority of the State of Florida with the exception of the Miami area. I respond to the needs of those victims identified in the AOR's federal investigations. I have been in this position since February 2013. Prior to my current position, I spent 25 years in corrections, primarily with the Federal Bureau of Prisons where I held a management position. I have a Masters in Public Administration and a Bachelors in Criminal Justice. I am an avid quilter and sewer, love to exercise, and ride my own Harley.

Amy Rofman is a Foreign Affairs Officer specializing in Caribbean and European countries in the State Department's Office to Monitor and Combat Human Trafficking, the office that leads the United States' global engagement in the fight against human trafficking. Ms. Rofman has worked on this effort in these regions for six years by partnering with foreign governments and civil society to develop and implement effective strategies for confronting modern slavery. She conducts diplomacy with foreign governments on human trafficking issues and has been a key contributor to the State Department's annual Trafficking in Persons Report, the U.S. government's principal diplomatic tool to engage foreign governments on human trafficking. Prior to this position, she served as the Bilateral Section Chief in the State Department's Office of Russian Affairs. She also worked in the State Department's Bureau of Nonproliferation and Office of Inspector General while a Presidential Management Fellow. Ms. Rofman served two years in the Peace Corps and has a Bachelor of Science in Foreign Service from Georgetown University and a Masters in Public Administration from the George Washington University.

Rodney LeGrande graduated from Indiana University in 1989 and earned his commission through the Air Force ROTC program soon after. He served on active duty in the Air Force from 1991-1998 as an Air Weapons Controller. During his time in the Air Force he served as liaison officer to the Royal Saudi Air Force after the first Gulf War. Then he served as a crewmember on the E-3A AWACS based out of NATO Air Base Geilenkirchen, Germany during NATO operations in Bosnia. After leaving the Air Force, he earned his MA in International Affairs at the George Washington University. After graduate school, he worked in the private sector before joining the State Department in 2001, first as civil servant in the Operations Center and then joined the Foreign Service in Jan. 2002. His first two tours as a vice consul were in Managua, Nicaragua and then in Santiago, Chile. After his entry-level tours he returned to Washington to serve on the INR Watch

and then in the Bureau of Consular Affairs, Overseas Citizens Services. He served as the Chief of American Citizen Services at the US Consulate General in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico from 2008-2011. Just before departing for his current posting in Miami, he served as an instructor in the Consular Training Division at the Foreign Service Institute. Rodney began his service as a Deputy POLAD in August 2014.

Dr. LeGrande Gardner is an Instructor in the USF Criminology Department assigned to the Florida Center for CyberSecurity (FC2) where he specializes in digital forensics and cyber crime investigations. He previously served as a sworn law enforcement officer for over 25 years with experience in both federal and local agencies, to include an appointment as a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). His supervisory and investigative experience included criminal intelligence, computer crime and crimes involving digital media, Digital Forensics Laboratory, computer forensics, anti-terrorism, Homeland Security, organized crime, criminal gang interdiction and suppression, and surveillance and counter-surveillance operations. In his last three years of active duty he was concurrently assigned as a Task Force Agent to the FBI's Cyber Crimes Unit.

Laura Germino directs the Anti-Slavery Campaign of the Coalition of Immokalee Workers (CIW), a worker-based human rights organization internationally recognized for its leadership in today's anti-slavery movement. The CIW's Anti-Slavery Campaign is an integrated program of investigations, worker and consumer education, and its latest prevention phase, the Fair Food Program (FFP), which entails groundbreaking work in supply chain transparency and slavery-free workplaces. Ms. Germino and her colleagues have uncovered, investigated, and assisted in the prosecution of many multi-state forced labor operations in the agriculture since the early 1990s, including the seminal slavery operation U.S. v. Flores, which helped lead to the initial passage of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act in 2000. She co-founded the Freedom Network Training Institute (FNTI) which trains state and federal law enforcement and NGOs on how to identify and eliminate slavery operations. She has presented at the White House on eradicating slavery; took part in HHS' technical working group on victim services; developed human trafficking investigations curriculum for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, and trained at the request of the OSCE in Vienna, the F.B.I. at Quantico, the U.S. Embassy in Medellin, and the U.S. State Department in Morocco, amongst others. Ms. Germino has received a commendation from FBI Director Robert Mueller, the Anti-Slavery Award from Anti-Slavery International of London, and in 2010 was the first U.S. recipient of the Department of State's TIP Hero Award from Secretary of State Hillary Clinton for her "perseverance against slavery operations in the U.S. agricultural industry" and "determination to eliminate forced labor in supply chains." As an alumna, Ms. Germino received the John Hope Award for Public Service from Brown University. She has an M.A. in International Economics and Social Change and Development from the Johns Hopkins School for Advanced International Studies (SAIS).

Greg Christopher is an FBI agent who works in Tampa as part of a task force aimed at freeing child prostitutes and prosecuting the pimps selling them. In 2008, Christopher freed twenty-two children from a life of sexual abuse. He was named the State/Federal Law Enforcement Officer of the Year for that accomplishment. In 2013, he was featured in "The Stolen Ones", a special report on Child Sex Trafficking by the Herald Tribune, for his part in the conviction of the pimp Weylin Rodriguez.

Judge Lynn Tepper, Circuit Court Judge, Florida's 6th Judicial Circuit Judge Lynn Tepper has been a Circuit Judge in Florida's 6th Judicial Circuit for nearly 3 decades. Judge Tepper sits in Dade City, Pasco County presiding over all the Dependencies, CINS/FINS cases, cross over cases for the families before her, and all the Domestic Violence Injunction cases in East Pasco County. Her court in Dade City is one of six sites in the US implementing "Project ONE" [One Judge, No Wrong Door, Equal Access to Justice], a National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges [NCJFCJ] program. Her court has recently begun an "Early Interventions Court", aimed at children from zero to five. She has served in virtually every Florida Bar or Supreme Court Committee involved with children, families and domestic violence. She led Governor Lawton Chiles' Domestic Violence Clemency Review panels that interviewed women in prison convicted of murdering their mate, and prepared extensive reports to the Governor and Cabinet regarding "Battered Women (domestic violence) Syndrome, its relation to the prisoner and the offense. She teaches and speaks nationally and Statewide on Bonding and Attachment of Children; Trauma and Adverse Childhood Experiences; Human Trafficking. Among her awards: "Florida Adlerian Society Cameron W. Meredith Social Interest Award" in 2014 for her dedication to keeping social interest and humanity as a foundation for justice and her commitment of Family Court as a service provider for families and their communities. The West Pasco Bar Association: "2014 Justice Award" recognizing her contributions to the community in East Pasco and her efforts to ensure that the legal system assists children in the courtroom and in the classroom. She has received numerous awards in the fields of Literacy, Criminal Law and Social Work as well as recognitions from the Florida Supreme Court; the coveted "William E. Gladstone Award" (2004) for judicial leadership and service to Florida's children; In 2009: "Pasco County NAMI Humanitarian Hope Award" for "her ever-evolving dedication to bring life, hope and guidance to the fallen society around her." The Hope Award recognizes individuals "who have demonstrated courage, innovation and resiliency" in dealing with persons with mental illness.

Dr. Rochelle L. Rollins is the Human Trafficking Health Policy Advisor in the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). Her main focus areas are increasing awareness about human trafficking within the United States and educating health care providers how to recognize and respond to human trafficking victims within healthcare settings. Prior to joining ACF, she was Director of the Division of Policy and Data in the Office of Minority Health (OMH) where she oversaw efforts to improve health disparities research coordination, performance measurement, and data collection. In addition, she led OMH's oral health policy work and participated on several federal teams to implement the Healthy People Initiative. In other research areas, she served as the Special Assistant to the Deputy Director of the NIH/National Cancer Institute and was the Research Director of the Multicultural AIDS Coalition in Boston, Massachusetts. Dr. Rollins received her Bachelor of Science from Wellesley College, her Master of Public Health from Boston University, and her doctorate from Brandeis University's Heller School for Social Policy and Management where she was a Pew health policy fellow.

Dr. Ricardo Izurieta (College of Public Health) received his MD from the Central University of Ecuador and, after graduation, carried out his postdoctoral training in Public Health and Tropical Diseases. In 1991, he faced the cholera epidemic that spread through Latin American countries as National Director of the Cholera Control Program in the Ministry of Public Health of Ecuador. In 1997, he was appointed Chief of the Department of Epidemiology and Director of The Vaccine Center of the Armed Forces of Ecuador. During his studies, he has been a USAID Thomas Jefferson Fellow, a PAHO Research Fellow, a Gorgas Memorial Institute Fellow, and a FUNDACYT Fellow. In 2003, Dr. Izurieta was elected Vice President of the Gorgas Memorial Institute of Tropical and Preventive Medicine. To date, Dr. Izurieta still holds this appointment. Dr. Izurieta is currently the director of the Donald Price Parasitology Center. In addition, he is a consultant for WASTE International from the Netherlands and for the Stockholm Environment Institute from Sweden.

Rev. Margarita Romo, founder of Farmworkers Self-Help, Inc, is an advocate for the rights of migrant farmworkers. Her organization helps with immigration issues, gives bread to the poor, advocates for legislative changes and seeks to improve conditions for the impoverished. In 2010, she was named the 2010 Hispanic Woman of the Year by Tampa Hispanic Heritage Inc. After over forty years of community work, Rev. Margarita Romo was honored with induction into the Florida Civil Rights Hall of Fame in 2013.

Laura Hamilton obtained her Bachelors in Bio-Medical Sciences and her Masters of Public Health in Global Health Practice at the University of South Florida. Her specialties have been in business development, program planning, intellectual property, and grants management. Recently, through a Department of Justice grant, she has worked with undercover agents who rescue child sex trafficking victims within Tampa Bay. As Founder and President of Bridging Freedom, Mrs. Hamilton researched best practices and models of rehabilitation to implement a successful program for child sex trafficking victims rescued within Florida. She obtained a grant funded mentorship through one of the most successful programs for this population at Wellspring Living in Georgia and has progressed our local community to partner together to build a sustainable healing campus that will provide a holistic, individualized, and interdisciplinary continuum of care for young girls. This program will offer a safe community-campus environment, trauma-informed therapy, health management, education, life skills, career development, and many therapeutic activities to rebuild their personal power. Mrs. Hamilton collaborates with the Clearwater/Tampa Bay Area Task Force Against Human Trafficking, Department of Children and Families, and many professionals within our communities and universities.

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