Lenahan (Gonzales) v. United States of America: Domesticating International Law

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2:00- 5:30pm*
*Reception to follow

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1:30pm-2:00pm: Registration

2:00pm-2:30pm: Welcome and Keynote Address

Caroline Bettinger-López, Associate Professor of Clinical Legal Education and Director, Human Rights Clinic, University of Miami School of Law

2:30- 3:30pm Implementing Lenahan: Is the United States Exceptional?

Nancy Chi Cantalupo, “Lenahan (Gonzales) v. USA & Collective Responsibility for Gender based Violence”
Amy Myers, “Constructing Domestic Violence as a Human Rights Violation: Understanding State and Practitioner Resistance, Generating Change”
Sarah Rogerson, “Due Diligence Defined: Opportunities for American Sovereign Immunity Jurisprudence to Embrace Lenahan”
Moderator: Lauren Bartlett, American University Washington College of Law

3:45- 5:15pm Lenahan’s Place in International Law: Domestic Violence in Comparative Focus

Rehan Abeyratne, “Following the Inter-American Commission’s Approach to Equality: The Unintended Consequences of Domestic Violence Laws in India”
Joy Chia, “Piercing the Confucian Veil: Lenahan’s Implications for East Asia and Human Rights”
Bendetta Faedi, “Judicial Development in the Application of International Law to Domestic Violence”
Patricia Tarre Moser, “The Duty to Ensure Human Rights and its Evolution in the Inter-American System: Comparing the Case of Maria de Penha vs. Brazil with the case of Jessica Lenahan vs. United States”
Moderator: Elizabeth Keyes, American University Washington College of Law

5:15- 5:30pm Remarks
Claudio Grossman, Dean, American University Washington College of Law

5:30- 7:30pm Reception and 20th Anniversary Celebration of the AU Journal of Gender, Social Policy & the Law

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