

# The WikiLeaks Debate

## 26<sup>th</sup> Law & the Media Seminar

The program is co-sponsored by the **Houston Bar Association**, the **Society of Professional Journalists** and the **Houston Press Club**.

**Saturday, January 28, 2012 • 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. • South Texas College of Law**

The 26th Law and the Media Seminar will explore the legal, ethical and practical implications of **WikiLeaks** for journalists, lawyers, and the people and institutions affected by "antisecrecy vigilantes (*New York Times*)." The program will feature **Geoffrey Robertson**, the London-based lawyer for WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange, and New York Times reporter **Eric Schmitt**, who interviewed Mr. Assange and assessed the first trove of thousands of diplomatic cables leaked by WikiLeaks.

The program also will include a panel discussion of the issues featuring **Lucy Dalglish**, executive director of the Reporters Committee on Freedom of the Press, Washington, D.C.; **Don DeGabrielle**, former U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Texas; **David Adler**, federal criminal defense attorney; and moderated by **Tom Forestier**, managing shareholder of the Houston office of Winstead PC.

**Journalists, communication professionals, law students and journalism students attend at no charge.** The cost for attorneys is \$40 with advance reservations and includes 3.0 hours of MCLE credit, including 1 hour ethics credit. Door registration for attorneys is \$50, space permitting. Continental breakfast is included.

## Seminar Agenda

- 8:00-8:55** Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 8:55-9:00** Welcome and Introductions
- 9:00-10:00** Inside the WikiLeaks Legal Team  
*Geoffrey Robertson QC, Doughty Street Chambers via Skype from London*
- 10:00 – 10:15** Break
- 10:15-11:15** WikiLeaks and America's Campaign Against Al Qaeda  
*Eric Schmitt, New York Times*
- 11:15-11:30** Break
- 11:30-12:30** The WikiLeaks Debate  
*Panelists: Lucy Dalglish, Don DeGabrielle, David Adler and Tom Forestier*

# REGISTRATION FORM

**January 28, 2012 • 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

South Texas College of Law, Fred Parks Law Library, 1303 San Jacinto, 6th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002

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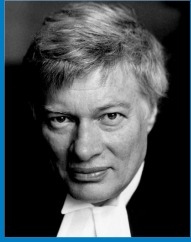
Send registration to the Houston Bar Association, 1001 Fannin, Suite 1300, Houston, Texas 77002 or call (713) 759-1133 for more information. Members of the media and students may email form to BrookeE@hba.org or fax to (713) 759-1710.

**There is no charge for this seminar for members of the media, communication professionals, journalism students and law students.**

Registration fee for attorneys: \$40.00 in advance; \$50.00 at the door (space permitting) 3.0 hours MCLE credit, including 1.0 hours ethics credit. Make checks payable to HBA.

Note: Pre-registration must be received at the HBA office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 26, 2012.

# L&M 2012 Speakers



**Geoffrey Robertson** QC is founder and the joint head of Doughty Street Chambers in London. He has argued hundreds of landmark media, constitutional and criminal law cases in courts throughout the world. His clients have included numerous news media organizations, including *The Washington Post*, *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal* and *The Guardian*, author Salman Rushdie, and WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange. Robertson is a "distinguished jurist" member of the United Nations Justice Council, having served as the first President of the UN Special Court in Sierra Leone. He has appeared before the European Court of Human Rights, the House of Lords, the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, and the World Bank. He has conducted human rights missions for Amnesty International in South Africa, Vietnam, Malawi, Mozambique, and Czechoslovakia. He is the author of numerous books, including *Crimes Against Humanity: The Struggle for Global Justice*; *Media Law* (with Andrew Nicol QC); *Freedom, the Individual and the Law*; and a memoir, *The Justice Game*. Mr. Robertson holds BA and LLB (University of Sydney; honors) and BCL (Oxford University; Rhodes Scholar) degrees, and has been awarded honorary doctorates by Sydney University and Brunel University.



**Eric Schmitt** is a Pulitzer Prize-winning senior writer who covers terrorism and national security issues for *The New York Times* in Washington D.C. At the *Times* since 1983, Schmitt has covered the military, national security, Congress, and the Pentagon. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. He earned a bachelor's degree in international relations at Williams College, attended Harvard University's Executive Program on National and International Security, and earned a Knight Journalism Fellowship at Stanford University. He is a co-author, along with Thom Shanker, of "*Counterstrike: The Untold Story of America's Secret Campaign Against Al Qaeda*" ([www.counterstrikethebook.com](http://www.counterstrikethebook.com)).

## L&M 2012 Panelists



**David Adler** has primarily practiced federal criminal defense for 17 years. He has represented clients in criminal matters involving Transocean and the Deepwater Horizon incident, Goldman Sachs, Enron, Health South, BP's Texas City Refinery Explosion, El Paso Energy, Stanford Financial, Citgo, Congressman Willie Jefferson, Hoyer Global Transport, and the Oklahoma City bombing. Adler overturned the conviction of former CIA officer Edwin Wilson after Wilson had served 19 years. He has also represented individuals accused of supporting terrorist groups. Adler's cases have been featured on Nightline, CNN, MSNBC; and in the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *National Law Journal* and *Texas Lawyer*. Adler served as a CIA officer between 1990 and 1994. He received his B.S. from Ithaca College and his J.D. from the Thurgood Marshall School of Law at Texas Southern University.



**Lucy Dalglish** is the executive director of the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press, a nonprofit association that provides legal defense and advocacy services to journalists working in the United States. Dalglish was a media lawyer for almost five years in the trial department of the Minneapolis law firm of Dorsey & Whitney LLP. From 1980-93, Dalglish was a reporter and editor at the *St. Paul Pioneer Press*. She was awarded the Wells Memorial Key, the highest honor bestowed by the Society of Professional Journalists, in 1995 for her work as Chairman of SPJ's national Freedom of Information Committee from 1992-95 and for her service as a national board member from 1988-91. She also was named to the inaugural class of the National Freedom of Information Act Hall of Fame in 1996. Dalglish earned a law degree from Vanderbilt University Law School in 1995; a master of studies in law degree from Yale Law School in 1988; and a bachelor of arts in journalism from the University of North Dakota in 1980.



**Don DeGabrielle** joined Fulbright & Jaworski's Houston office in 2008. He is a partner in the firm's international governmental investigations and white collar defense practice. Prior to joining the firm, DeGabrielle spent 22 years in public service in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Texas, serving as U.S. Attorney the last three years. He also served an assignment with the Public Integrity Unit, where he gained extensive trial experience in public corruption, white collar, environmental, and bank fraud cases. DeGabrielle spent a year as the Resident Legal Advisor to the South African National Directorate of Public Prosecution, consulting on the rule of law and criminal justice development. He also conducted more than 50 federal criminal jury trials and over 150 state criminal jury trials as an Assistant District Attorney in New Orleans. DeGabrielle also is a former FBI Special Agent in New York and New Orleans.



**Tom Forestier** is managing shareholder of the Houston office of Winstead, as well as a member of the Energy & Environmental Law and Commercial Litigation Practice Groups. He is recognized for his expertise in representing energy companies, banks and lending institutions, television stations, newspaper publishers, condemning authorities, landowners and developers, and insurance companies. Forestier chaired the firm's Diversity Committee from 2006-2010. He has represented local, national and international clients in complex litigation in matters involving breach of contract claims, business tort claims, defamation and libel, invasion of privacy claims, eminent domain and condemnation. Forestier earned his BS degree in petroleum engineering from the University of Texas, where he was an Alfred P. Sloan Fellow in the LBJ School of Public Affairs, and his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law.

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