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EVENT TITLE: Law, Ethics and the Holocaust

DATE:

May 10, 2011

START TIME:

5:00 PM

END TIME:

6:30 PM

EVENT LOCATION:

New York County Lawyers' Association

14 Vesey Street

New York, NY 10007

DESCRIPTION:

In our society, the judiciary plays a pivotal role in ensuring the safety of communities, protecting individual rights and maintaining a fair and impartial justice system for all. At the beginning of Hitler's rise to power, judges in Nazi Germany saw their role similarly. However, over twelve years of Nazi rule, the overwhelming majority of judges, rather than challenging the Nazi regime, instead facilitated it. This program examines the positions taken by those judges and the ethics of their actions and inactions. The presenters will discuss what lessons we can learn from the conduct of the judges in Nazi Germany in order to safeguard the role of the judiciary today.

FACULTY:

Professor John Q. Barrett, St. John's University School of Law

Dr. William Meinecke, National Institute for Holocaust Education, United States  
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