

# THE EVOLVING BALANCE:

## ABUSE IN RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES AND THE LAW

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Presented by:



Cardozo  
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**March 3, 2009 - Moot Court Room - Cardozo School of Law**

**10:30 am**

**Introductory Remarks**

Dean David Rudenstine,  
Cardozo School of Law

**Opening Keynote**

Lynne Abraham,  
District Attorney, Philadelphia, PA

**11:00 am - 12:30 pm**

**Panel I: Abuse in Religious Communities**

*Featuring:*

Flora Jessop  
Founder and Executive Director,  
Child Protection Project  
CHURCH OF LIES (Jossey-Bass 2009)

Amy Neustein  
Visiting Faculty, National Judicial College  
TEMPEST IN THE TEMPLE: JEWISH COMMUNITIES AND CHILD  
SEX SCANDALS, ed. (Brandeis 2009)

Robert McMackin  
Clinical Faculty,  
Tufts University School of Medicine  
UNDERSTANDING THE IMPACT OF CLERGY SEXUAL ABUSE,  
ed. (Routledge 2009)

Hasan Mahmud  
Director, Sharia Law, Muslim Canadian Congress  
ISLAM AND SHARIA (Dhaka Bangladesh 2007)

*Moderated By:*

Hella Winston  
UNCHOSEN: THE HIDDEN LIVES OF HASIDIC REBELS  
(Beacon Press 2006)

**2:00 pm - 3:30 pm**

**Panel II: Legal Responses to Abuse in Religious Communities**

*Featuring:*

Tim Lytton  
Albert and Angela Farone Distinguished Professor  
of Law, Albany Law School  
HOLDING BISHOPS ACCOUNTABLE: HOW LAWSUITS HELPED  
THE CATHOLIC CHURCH CONFRONT CLERGY SEXUAL ABUSE  
(Harvard University Press 2008)

Marci Hamilton  
Paul R. Verkuil Chair in Public Law, Professor,  
Cardozo School of Law  
JUSTICE DENIED: WHAT AMERICA MUST DO TO PROTECT  
ITS CHILDREN (Cambridge University Press 2008)

Victor Vieth  
Director, National Child Protection Training Center  
"Unto the Third Generation: A Call to End Child  
Abuse in the United States Within 120 Years" in  
ENDING CHILD ABUSE (Routledge 2005)

Rabbi Yosef Blau  
Mashgiach Ruchani, Yeshiva University  
"Confronting Abuse in the Orthodox Community"  
(first published in NEFESH)

*Moderated By:*

Melanie Leslie  
Professor and Codirector, Program for Family Law,  
Policy, and Bioethics, Cardozo School of Law

**3:30 pm Closing Keynote (TBA)**

**4:30 pm Reception & Book-signing**