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Loyola Law School Panel to Dissect Legal Implications of Torture at Iraq's Abu Ghraib Prison

Los Angeles – Loyola Law School will host "Torture in a Time of War: Legal Remedies and Ramifications," an exploration of litigation and human-rights issues that can arise from wartime atrocities, from 12-1 pm on Thursday, Jan. 13 on its downtown L.A. campus. The discussion will focus on possible criminal and civil remedies available in instances such as the abuses that took place at Iraq's now-infamous Abu Ghraib Prison. Portraits drawn from the lives of former Abu Ghraib detainees, soon to go on exhibit at the Laband Art Gallery at Loyola Marymount University (LMU), will serve as a launching point for the discussion.

Panelists will be Professor David Glazier, a former U.S. Navy surface warfare officer and expert on the rights of military detainees; Rosemary Healy, a former human rights attorney at Burke O'Neill PLLC who worked on class action suits against private security corporations like Blackwater Worldwide; and Carolyn Peter, director of the Laband Art Gallery.

The panel discussion coincides with the opening of "Bearing Witness: Daniel Heyman," an exhibit featuring the work of Heyman and writer Nick Flynn, who sat in on the interviews of dozens of former Abu Ghraib detainees. The exhibit will run from Jan. 15 to March 13 on the LMU campus. Related events include "Immigration to the U.S.: Legal Challenges," to be held from 12-1 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 22 at Loyola Law School. The event will feature Associate Professor Kathleen Kim, an immigration law expert, and Peter, who will introduce a series of portraits of new immigrants as a take-off point for the talk.

Loyola Law School is located at 919 Albany St. (at Olympic), Los Angeles, CA 90015. Journalists who wish to attend should RSVP to Brian Costello, deputy director of communications, at brian.costello@lls.edu, 213-736-1444 (o) or 310-902-9560 (c). Further details about the Laband exhibit, including slides of select portraits, are at <http://cfa.lmu.edu/laband/upcoming.htm>.

About Loyola Law School, Los Angeles

Located in downtown Los Angeles—a legal, financial and media capital—Loyola Law School is home to prominent faculty, dedicated students and cutting-edge programs. Committed to legal ethics and the public interest, it has produced top attorneys for 90 years. Loyola's California Bar Exam passage rate was 85.3 percent for the most recent major testing date. The Princeton Review ranked Loyola third for "Best Classroom Experience." Loyola was ranked 29th on the 2010 *Super Lawyers* U.S. Law School Rankings. *National Jurist* magazine ranks it second on its list of "Best Law Schools for Public Interest Law." It is ranked ninth in the nation for minority enrollment by *U.S. News & World Report*. For more information, please see www.lls.edu.