Hate Crimes Handbook Highlights Kenneth Marcus' Civil Rights Work

WASHINGTON, D.C. – April 26, 2016: The newly released issue of one of the most comprehensive reference resource on bias-motivated violence committed in the United States, <u>Hate Crimes: A Reference Handbook, Third Edition (ABC-CLIO)</u>, features of the work of Kenneth L. Marcus, President of <u>The Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law</u> (LDB). Donald Altschiller of Boston University, editor of the <u>Hate Crimes</u> handbook, includes LDB's Kenneth L. Marcus among the "notable experts on hate crimes, racial and religious bigotry, and political extremists" featured in the new edition, acknowledging Marcus' "excellent advice and support."

<u>LDB President Kenneth L. Marcus</u> commented, "I am humbled to be included in Donald Altschiller's important *Hate Crimes* handbook. This volume is a useful resource for anyone who wants to learn more about the hate and bias incidents that continue to occur throughout the United States and especially those who wish to join us in our fight for equal justice for all. I am most pleased to be included among the distinguished civil and human rights advocates featured in this book."

Marcus also contributes a chapter to the handbook on "Contemporary Anti-Semitism in American Higher Education." In his chapter, Marcus describes the recent increase in campus anti-Semitism, focusing on a few key cases, and assesses the weak response of U.S. governmental officials. "In the wake of these cases," Marcus writes, "It is fair to ask whether OCR remains committed" to its official policy of protecting Jewish students from anti-Semitic incidents as it protects students from other groups.

Hate Crimes: A Reference Handbook, Third Edition appears in the award-winning series, Contemporary World Issues, which offers comprehensive reference handbooks on important topics related to health, education, the environment, and social and ethical issues. Written in an accessible style suited to high school and undergraduate-level students as well as general readers, this book provides an essential, current, and easy-toread ready reference on the timely and evolving issue of hate crime in the United State. The latest edition contains the most up-to-date information on the prevalence of hate crimes and the affected religious, racial, and other targeted communities, such as Jewish Americans and Sikh Americans, as well as the incidence of hate crimes committed on America's college campuses, and governmental and citizen efforts to combat this disturbing phenomenon. It also includes the most comprehensive source for U.S. congressional hearings and legislation on hate crimes. This contemporary volume also aims to help readers understand the complex issue and see how the government and activists are proactively combating hate crime nationwide. Presenting a balanced range of perspectives on the growing phenomenon, the latest installment of this illuminating series enables readers to fully comprehend the widespread problem and develop their own informed opinion.

The new edition is now available on **Amazon**.

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