Brandeis Center Announces Upcoming March Events

WASHINGTON, D.C. – February 22, 2016: This morning, The Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law (LDB) announced its upcoming events for the month of March. This next wave of events will follow LDB's Third Annual National Law Student Leadership Conference, held in California at the start of this week. LDB, a national civil rights organization, is best known for its work fighting anti-Semitism in higher education.

<u>LDB President Kenneth L. Marcus</u> commented, "We are excited for a full docket of events in the upcoming month. We have been working actively to educate and speak out against anti-Semitism, and we will continue with our strong momentum."

The upcoming events include the following:

March 3 - LDB Attorney Aviva Vogelstein will speak on a panel entitled, "The Battle on Campus and What BDS Means." The Panel is part of a 5-part series for Baltimore Jewish communal professionals, lay leaders, and students on "New Frontiers in Confronting Anti-Semitism." Vogelstein will be joined by Andrew Cohen, Hillel International's Israel Education Coordinator for the Northeast, and Rabbi Ari Israel, Executive Director of the University of Maryland Hillel, and a college student activist.

March 4 - Cornell Law's LDB Chapter will be hosting a talk by Professor Eugene Kontorovich of Northwestern University Law School on "The New Anti-Discrimination: State Laws on Israel Boycott." Professor Kontorovich's research spans the fields of constitutional law, international law, and law and economics. He is also one of the world's preeminent experts on international law and the Israel-Arab conflict, having written and lectured extensively about the legal aspects of it. His scholarship has been relied on in important foreign relations cases in the federal courts, and historic piracy cases in the U.S. and abroad.

March 9 – In Minneapolis, LDB's President Kenneth L. Marcus will participate in a University of Minnesota panel discussion entitled "Antisemitism in Today's Europe: Between Neo-Nationalism and Global Terrorism." The panel, moderated by Patricia Lorcin of the University of Minnesota, will discuss the current situation of anti-Semitism in Europe and will examine the new discourse of antisemitism in the context of a deadly dialectic between neo-nationalism and global terrorism. Other participants will include scholars Günther Jikeli of Indiana University and Bruno Chaouat of the University of Minnesota .

March 16 – At the University of Virginia Law School, Dr. Aleksandra Gliszczy ska-Grabias will speak at an event hosted by LDB's UVA chapter about her work on advancing an international treaty that would provide protection against discrimination and hatred based on anti-semitism and other religious grounds. Dr. Gliszczy ska-Grabias

is currently a Senior Researcher at the Poznan Human Rights Centre, Institute of Legal Studies of the Polish Academy of Sciences. She also serves as a legal advisor of the "Open Republic" Association against Antisemitism and Racism, a leading Polish NGO active in the field of counteracting intolerance, hatred and prejudice.

March 29 - LDB President Kenneth L. Marcus will be at the University of Chicago, in an event hosted by LDB's UChicago Law Student chapter, to address students on the topic of Fighting Campus Anti-Semitism.

March 30 – Professor Alexander Tsesis will be giving a talk at the University of Minnesota entitled, "Free Speech in the Age of the Internet", hosted by LDB's UMN chapter. Tsesis is a professor at the Loyola University Chicago School of Law, and is an expert in Constitutional Law, the First Amendment, Civil Procedure, as well as civil rights issues and constitutional interpretation. He is a widely published author whose articles have appeared in a variety of law reviews across the country. Professor Tsesis is also a frequent presenter to law school faculties nationwide on issues involving constitutional law, free speech, and civil rights.

March 30 – The LDB law student chapter at CUNY Law will also be hosting Dr. Aleksandra Gliszcznska-Grabias to give a talk on the subject of "Case-law of the European Court of Human Rights in cases concerning antisemitism."

March 31 - Cornell Professor William Jacobson will be speaking at the University of Chicago. The event, co-sponsored by LDB, is being organized as a talk on diversity through U Chicago's Keystone Program. Professor Jacobson has a national reputation as a leading practitioner in securities arbitration, and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Public Investors Arbitration Bar Association, an organization of over 450 attorneys dedicated to protecting public investors.

About the Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law:

The Louis D. Brandeis Center, Inc., or LDB, is an independent, nonprofit organization established to advance the civil and human rights of the Jewish people and promote justice for all. The Brandeis Center conducts research, education, and advocacy to combat the resurgence of anti-Semitism on college and university campuses. It is not affiliated with the Massachusetts University, the Kentucky law school, or any of the other institutions that share the name and honor the memory of the late U.S. Supreme Court justice. For more information, contact Michelle Yabes at myabes@brandeiscenter.com, or find us at our website.