

Society of American Law Teachers—SALT

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Last Friday Arizona passed SB 1070, an enforcement law that once in place would essentially legalize racial profiling.

- [Read SALT Human Rights Committee co-chair Karla McKander's April 27th post on the SALT LAW.org blog.](#)
- SALT Human Rights Committee member Marjorie Cohn also posted on The Jurist. [Read her April 26th post.](#)
- Colorofchange.org has organized a letter writing campaign. [To send a letter to President Obama and Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano, click here.](#)

SALT Membership SALE

Three reasons to join SALT or renew your membership today:

- We are dedicated to diversity.
- We are dedicated to social justice.
- We are dedicated to academic excellence.

[Join on-line and get four extra months of membership for free!](#)

May 31 Deadline for Nominations: SALT M. Shanara Gilbert Human Rights and Great Teacher Awards

SALT holds an annual dinner each year during the January AALS meeting, which is in San Francisco in 2011. This year the dinner will be on Friday, January 7th at Delancey Street Foundation. A highlight of the dinner is the presentation of SALT's M. Shanara Gilbert and Great Teacher Awards.

M. Shanara Gilbert Human Rights Award: SALT recognizes the contributions of activists whose passion for social justice has driven their lives. The M. Shanara Gilbert Human Rights Award is named after a CUNY Law School professor who dedicated her life to equality, equity, and justice. She was killed at the age of 45, along

with Haywood Burns, in a car accident while visiting South Africa. In her memory, SALT honors those who believe in fighting for a better world. The Award is not bestowed annually, but when there is an exceptional person or institution whose struggle for human rights requires recognition from our community.

[Past M. Shanara Gilbert Honorees](#) starting with the most recent: Rhonda Copelon (2009); Jennifer Harbury and Sister Dianna Ortiz (2008); Joshua Rosenkranz (2007); David Cole and Center for Constitutional Rights (2006); Eva Patterson (2005); Congressman John Lewis (2004); Steven Bright and Bryan Stevenson (2003); Honorable Barney Frank (2000); Dr. Jesse N. Stone, Jr. (1999); and M. Shanara Gilbert (1997).

SALT Great Teacher Award: The Great Teacher Award recognizes individuals or institutions that have made especially important contributions to teaching, legal education and mentoring.

[Past recipients of the Great Teacher award](#), starting with the most recent:

Francisco Valdés, Steve Wizner, Fran Ansley, Stephanie Wildman, Eric Yamamoto, Howard Glickstein, Bill Quigley, Charles Lawrence & Mari Matsuda, SALT Founders, Sylvia Law, Marjorie M. Schultz, Anthony Amsterdam, Jim Jones, W. Hayward Burns, Barbara Aldave, Trina Grillo, Norman Dorsen, Cruz Reynoso, Mary Jo Frug, Marilyn Yarborough, Rhonda Rivera, University of Wisconsin Law School, Howard Lesnick, Barbara Babcock, Clinton Bamberger, CUNY Law School, Derrick Bell, Herma Hill Kay, Charles Black, Arthur Leff, Harry Edwards, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Rennard Strickland, Thomas Emerson, Charles Miller, David Cavers.

SALT invites you to submit a nomination for one or both of these awards.

If you would like to make a nomination, please submit the name of the person or organization and a 1-2 page statement supporting the nomination(s), along with the name of the award. The statement should explain why the person or organization deserves the award, including how they contribute to the values of SALT. Please submit all nominations by **May 31, 2010**, to [Ruben Garcia](#) and [Hazel Weiser](#). We strongly encourage you to re-nominate candidates who have been nominated in past years, as every year we have many worthy nominees, but only two awards.

Calls for Proposals

- ***May 14 Deadline for Submitting Proposals: First Annual Critical Legal Studies Conference: Uproot, Sow, Cultivate***, University of Idaho College of Law, September 24-25, 2010. [Click here to read the full call for proposals.](#)
- ***Third National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference***: Seton Hall University School of Law, September 9-12: **June 1 deadline**. Call for works-in-progress (WIP) sessions and shorter “thoughts-in-progress” sessions to informally discuss research ideas. [Click here to learn more.](#)

Calendar

- **April 30:** [2010 Women and the Law Conference—Ruth Bader Ginsburg Lecture](#), Thomas Jefferson School of Law
- **May 21-23:** [The Second International Criminal Defense Conference](#): “Lessons from the Defense at the Ad Hoc UN Tribunals, and Prospects for International Justice at the ICC,” Brussels, Belgium
- **Mark Your Calendars!! October 7-8:** [Eighth Annual SALT-LatCrit Junior Faculty Development Workshop](#), University of Denver Sturm College of Law
- **SAVE the DATE!! December 10-11:** SALT Annual Teaching Conference, [read more about hotel accommodations and conference locations](#).