



Media Advisory

Authors, Legal Experts to Examine Convention on the Rights of the Child

U.S. Now the Only U.N. Member Yet to Ratify

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WHAT: Authors and legal experts will discuss the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) at a panel hosted by ACS along with NYU Center for Human Rights and Global Justice, and the PEN American Center. The CRC was intended to be a comprehensive, legally-binding human rights treaty to protect the rights of children irrespective of national boundaries. In the wake of Somalia's recent ratification of the CRC, the United States remains the only party to the United Nations that has yet to ratify this document.

WHO:

- **Moderator, Nadine Strossen**, Professor of Law, New York Law School;
- **Deborah Ellis**, award-winning author of *Off to War*, *The Breadwinner Trilogy*, and *Three Wishes*, among others;
- **Uzodinma Iweala**, award-winning author of *Beasts of No Nation*;
- **Laura W. Murphy**, President, Laura Murphy & Associates, LLC;
- **Walter Dean Myers**, award-winning author of *Dope Sick*, *Amiri & Odette*, and *Sunrise Over Fallujah*, among others; and
- **Jonathan Todres**, Associate Professor, Georgia State University Law School

WHEN: Monday, December 7, 2009
6:30 pm – 7:45 pm
Reception immediately following the panel discussion.

WHERE: New York University Law School, Tishman Auditorium at Vanderbilt Hall
40 Washington Square South
New York, NY 10012

RSVP: The event is free for registered media. Please RSVP to press@ACSLaw.org.

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