



**Third Annual International Law Conference on the Status of Women**

**Date: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

**Registration Required at [www.nycbar.org](http://www.nycbar.org) or by calling the NYCBA 212-383-6600**  
**Free for Members/NGO Employees \* \$15.00 Non-Member Lawyers**

**10:00 AM** **Introduction of Panelist Participants by Lauren Ormsbee, Partner, BLB&G LLP**

**10:10 AM** **Special Remarks on United Nations Women's Initiatives**

Pramila Patten, Under Secretary General and Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict *United Nations*

**10:25 AM** **First Panel: *Violence Against Women, Ending Impunity and the Global Pursuit of Justice***

**Moderator:** Catherine van Kampen, Co-Chair of the United Nations Committee

**Panelists:** Dr. Elizabeth M. Zechenter, Visiting Scholar, *Emory University*

Jacqueline Murekatete, Founder, *Genocide Survivors Foundation*

Ms. Esther Dingemans, Executive Director, *Global Survivors Fund*

Annie McAdams, Attorney, for Human Trafficking & Cyber Exploitation Victims, *Annie McAdams PC*

Jana L. Walker, Senior Attorney, *Indian Law Resource Center*

**11:15 AM** **Second Panel: *Women's Empowerment through Safety and Security and Mitigating Risks Against Climate Change and Environmental Disaster***

**Moderator:** Doris Toyou, Co-Chair, African Affairs Committee

**Panelists:** Laurie N. Robinson Haden, President, & CEO, *Corporate Counsel Women of Color*

Ana L. Oliveira, President & CEO, *The New York Women's Foundation*

Dr. Faith Mwangi-Powell, CEO, *Girls Not Brides*

Louise Power, Trustee, *Changing the Chemistry*, CEO, *The Power Hour Business and Community CIC and CEO, iOrbit LTD*

Fraidy Reiss, Founder/Executive Director, *Unchained at Last*

**12:00 PM: NYCBA UNITED NATIONS COMMITTEE AWARDS CEREMONY**

**Epiq Women Organization Awards Presented by Christine Landry, President and General Manager, Class Action and Mass Tort Solutions**

- Sheila Boston, President, President, *New York City Bar Association*
- Laurie N. Robinson Haden, President, & CEO, *Corporate Counsel Women of Color*
- Annie McAdams, Founder, *Annie McAdams PC*
- Elizabeth Cronise McLaughlin, Founder, *Gaia Project Consulting, and Author, Becoming Heroines*
- Ana L. Oliveira, President & CEO, *The New York Women's Foundation*
- Pramila Patten, Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict, *United Nations*
- Louise Power, Trustee, *Changing the Chemistry, CEO, The Power Hour Business and Community CIC and CEO, iOrbit LTD*
- Dr. Sima Samar, Former Chair, *Afghan Independent Human Rights Commission*
- Reshma Saujani, CEO, *Marshall Plan for Moms*
- Jana L. Walker, Senior Attorney, *Indian Law Resource Center*

**12:15 PM      Huntington Bank Her Heroes Awards Presented by Liz Lambert, Senior Managing Director, Huntington Bank**

- Dr. Tarika Barrett, CEO, *Girls Who Code*
- Esther Dingemans, Executive Director, *Global Survivors Fund*
- Evelien Holsken, CEO, *Free a Girl*
- Jacqueline Murekatete, Founder, *Genocide Survivors Foundation*
- Dr. Faith Mwangi-Powell, CEO, *Girls Not Brides*
- Fraidy Reiss, Founder/Executive Director, *Unchained at Last*
- Hon. Delissa A. Ridgway, Judge, *U.S. Court of International Trade*
- Hon. Vanessa Ruiz, Senior Judge, *District of Columbia Court of Appeals*, Immediate Past President, *International Association of Women Judges*
- Dr. Rochelle G. Saidel, *Remember the Women Institute*
- Dr. Elizabeth M. Zechenter, Visiting Scholar, *Emory University*

12:30 PM	<b>Remarks by Sheila Boston, President, New York City Bar Association</b>
12:35 PM	<b>Third Panel: <i>Escape from Kabul – and Those Left Behind: The Harrowing “Life-or-Death” Saga of Afghan Women Judges, Prosecutors, &amp; Lawyers and the Heroic Women-Led Efforts to Secure Their Safety</i></b>
12:35 PM	<b>OPENING REMARKS</b> <b>Hon. Delissa Ridgway, Judge, U.S. Court of International Trade</b>
<b><u>Moderator:</u></b>	Hon. Marjorie Margolies, Founder/President, Women's Campaign International Head of U.S. Delegation to U.N. Fourth World Conference on Women (Beijing, 1995) Former Member, U.S. House of Representatives, Emmy Award-Winning TV Journalist
	<b>Speakers:</b>
	<b>Dr. Sima Samar</b> , Visiting Scholar, The Carr Center for Human Rights, <i>Kennedy School, Harvard University</i> ; Former Chair, <i>Afghan Independent Human Rights Commission</i> ; and Former Member, <i>U.N. Secretary-General's High-Level Panel on Internal Displacement</i> , Kabul, Afghanistan and USA
	<b>Hon. Vanessa Ruiz</b> , Senior Judge District of Columbia Court of Appeals, Immediate Past President, International Association of Women Judges
2:00 PM	<b>CLOSING REMARKS</b> <b>Hon. Delissa Ridgway, Judge, U.S. Court of International Trade</b>

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