



# HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES: EXPOSE THE COVER-UPS

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THE DOMINGO AND VIERNES STORY

#Exposecoverups



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# JOHN R. (JACK) CONNELLY

## *Civil Rights Attorney*

John R. (Jack) Connelly is named to the Best Lawyers in America, and consistently ranked in the top lawyers in Washington State. His advocacy for Plaintiffs in numerous high profile cases has resulted in landmark verdicts and positive changes in laws protecting vulnerable citizens. Jack has been practicing law in the Puget Sound for over 28 years, entirely in representation of plaintiffs. His practice is rooted in the core values upon which he founded the Connelly Law Offices; Truth, Justice, Accountability and Equal Access. Jack maintains a strong interest in cases which hold government and corporate entities accountable, which emphasize the dignity and value of every human being, and which make a difference in how government officials, and entities, respond to the citizens they are charged with representing.

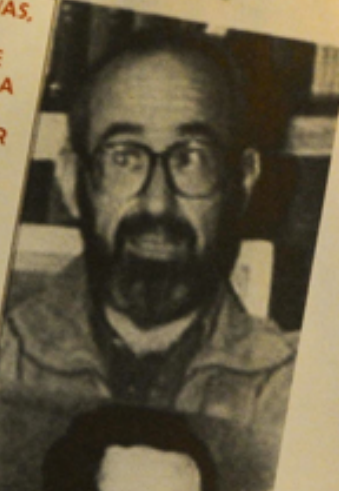






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# ALMUDENA BERNABEU

*Director, Center for Justice and  
Accountability*

Bernabeu has worked in human rights and international law for over 16 years and has received many awards for her human rights work. Bernabeu is the lead on CJA's work in Spain in the Guatemala Genocide Case and the Jesuits Massacre Case and oversees CJA's Transitional Justice Program. She was included as one of Time magazine's 200 most influential people (2012). Bernabeu was recently awarded the Letelier/Moffitt Human Rights Award by the Institute for Policy Studies. She and the CJA have filed numerous lawsuits against human rights violators and represent the victims of the Jesuit Massacres from El Salvador and the widow and daughters of famed Chilean songwriter, Victor Jara.





# CINDY DOMINGO

*Legislative Aide, Activist, Community Organizer*

Currently serving as the Legislative Aide to King County Councilmember Larry Gossett, Cindy has played a key role in the Asian American and Filipino youth movements beginning in the 1970s to now. June 1, 1981, Cindy's brother Silme Domingo was assassinated with other union activist Gene Viernes. For the next ten years, Cindy served as the National Chair for the Committee for Justice for Domingo and Viernes, a campaign that resulted in the conviction of the former ILWU Local 37 President, Tony Baruso, and implicated both the Marcos Regime and the US government.



# GERALD LENOIR

*Independent Consultant, Founder,  
Lenoir and Associates*

With over 35 years in the non-profit sector, Gerald is founder of Lenoir and Associates, an organization that provides consultant services to non-profits around the country. Gerald is the former Executive Director of two nonprofit organizations - the Oakland-based (now Brooklyn-based) Black Alliance for Just Immigration and the San Francisco Black Coalition on AIDS. He is the Co-Founder and past Board Chair of the HIV Education and Prevention Project of Alameda County and is a founding board member of Priority Africa Network.





# DEAN KELLEY TESTY

*Toni Rembe Dean & Professor of Law,  
UW School of Law*

Dean Testy is a journalist turned lawyer and is the first female dean in the 110-year history of the U.W. School of Law. She has taught courses on a variety of subjects from contracts to economic justice and has received awards and accolades from the Washington State Bar Association, the Washington Women Lawyers, and the King County Women Lawyers. She was also given the Public Justice Award from the WA State Association for Justice.



# ANGELINA GODOY

*Professor, Director, Center for Human Rights, Jackson School of International Studies*

Angelina and her collaborators are litigating FOIA cases against the CIA for withholding documents related to El Salvador's human rights violations in the 1980's. Her offices were recently broken into and case files stolen. Dr. Godoy's research focuses on human rights in Latin America. She is the recipient of the University of Washington 2014 Outstanding Public Service Award.





# JOHN DINGES

*Professor, Columbia University  
Graduate School of Journalism*

Currently a professor at the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, John Dinges is also a former foreign correspondent and the author of three books on major events involving the United States and Latin America. He was a special correspondent in Chile and Central America for The Washington Post, and also served as deputy foreign editor and managing editor of National Public Radio News.

Mr. Dinges has won a number of awards for his reporting and will be speaking in the afternoon on October 14th at the UW School of Law alongside other influential defenders of human rights.



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# ERIC NALDER

*Journalist, Author, Filmmaker, TV  
Producer*

Eric Nalder is an American investigative journalist based in Seattle, Washington. He has won two Pulitzer Prizes. Nalder graduated from the University of Washington, with a B.A. in 1968. He writes for the website [SeattlePI.com](http://SeattlePI.com), and is senior enterprise reporter for Hearst Newspapers.



# VINCE WARREN

*Executive Director, Center for  
Constitutional Rights*

Vince Warren oversees CCR's groundbreaking litigation and advocacy work, including using international and domestic law to hold corporations and governments accountable for human rights abuses; challenging the mass incarceration of predominantly people of color and police misconduct directed at the minority communities; opposing illegal expansion of US presidential power such as illegal detention at Guantanamo, rendition, and torture. The CCR recently won an important legal victory against the NYPD where a federal judge ruled its "stop and frisk" policies unconstitutional and racially biased. Vince is a frequent guest on MSNBC's Melissa Harris Perry Show, The Reid Report, and Up with Chris Hayes, and has appeared on Moyers & Company with Bill Moyers and Democracy Now! His writing has been featured in the New York Times Room for Debate, on the Huffington Post, and on CNN.com, among other publications.





# NIKKITA OLIVER

*Seattle Attorney and Poet*

Nikkita Oliver is a Seattle-based creative, attorney, teaching artist, and anti-racist organizer. With a wide array of tactics under her belt, Nikkita focuses on using her many talents towards the pursuit of justice, particularly in terms of racial inequality. Nikkita is the recipient of:

- The @Seattle Office of Civil Rights Artist Human Rights Leader Award (2015)
- The 2014 Seattle Poetry Slam Grand Slam Champion
- The 2013, 2014 and 2016 Seattle Poetry Slam Women of the World Poetry Slam representative

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TODAY WE CARRY ON THE WORK**