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#### **Daniel Wilkinson**

Deputy Director, Americas Division Human Rights Watch

Daniel Wilkinson, deputy director of the Americas division at Human Rights Watch, is a general expert on Latin America. He has written reports on Mexico, Venezuela, Cuba, Colombia, and worked extensively on Guatemala, Peru, Brazil, and other Latin America countries. Wilkinson's writings on US policy toward Latin America have been widely published. His book, "Silence on the Mountain: Stories of Terror, Betrayal, and Forgetting in Guatemala," won the PEN/Albrand Award for nonfiction. Wilkinson is a graduate of Yale Law School. He speaks Spanish.

## James L. Cavallaro

Executive Director, Human Rights Program
Harvard Law School

After graduation from Harvard College in 1984, Cavallaro spent several years working with Central American refugees on the U.S.-Mexico border and with rights groups in Chile challenging abuses by the Pinochet government. He studied at Boalt Hall (University of California at Berkeley School of Law), where he served on the California Law Review and was graduated with Order of the Coif Honors. Cavallaro clerked for the Hon. Dolores K. Sloviter, Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (1993-1994). In 1994, he opened a joint office for Human Rights Watch and the Center for Justice and International Law (CEJIL) in Rio de Janeiro, and served as director of the office, overseeing research, reporting and litigation against Brazil before the Inter-American system's human rights bodies. In 1999, he founded the Global Justice Center, now a leading Brazilian human Rights NGO, which he directed until arriving at HLS in 2002.

#### **Elizabeth Martin**

Relative of Joseph Martin

Elizabeth Martin the aunt of Joseph Martin is here representing the Martin family. She has been the representative for the family in the intervening years since Joe was killed in May 2007. Elizabeth and Joe's mother Frances attended the trial in Rio this past March. Because of health, Frances is unable to be here today but Elizabeth is joined by Marilyn Martin, also an aunt of Joseph's.

Elizabeth lives in Brookline Massachusetts.

## David "Kwame" Dixon

Brazil Country Specialist Amnesty International

Dr David Kwame Dixon serves as a Brazil country specialist for Amnesty International, USA and is an assistant professor of African American Studies at Syracuse University. His primary research has concentrated in Afro Latin America and the Caribbean on the development of approaches to the study of social exclusion (racial and gender discrimination) in the context of international human rights, democracy and conflict resolution. This research examines how social discrimination leads to human rights violations against at-risk populations and ways in which the excluded are integrated into the fabric of democratic structures across the Americas. Dr Dixon has a Ph.D. in Political Science, Clark-Atlanta University, an M.A. in Political Science from Atlanta University and a B.A. in Political Science from the University of South Florida. He has been a Fulbright scholar and has carried out research in Brazil, Ecuador, Colombia, Cuba, and Nicaragua. Dr Dixon is fluent in Spanish and proficient in Portuguese and French.