



**U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**  
**Northern District of Alabama**  
*Victim Witness Program*  
*Human Trafficking Working Group*

# Human Trafficking Conference

## “A CIVIL RIGHTS VIOLATION”

June 11 - 12, 2008

Samford University, Brock Recital Hall  
Birmingham, Alabama 35229

*What YOU Need to Know About Trafficking in Persons in the United States...*

*Sponsored by:* United States Attorney's Office - Northern District of Alabama, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Samford University; Birmingham Police Department, Jefferson County District Attorney's Office, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, Bessemer Police Department, Civil Rights Institute, YWCA, ZONTA, Coordinated Community Response, Alabama Silent Witness Initiative, Family Connection, Inc., Victims of Crime and Leniency

**PURPOSE/TARGET AUDIENCE:** To promote awareness of Human Trafficking in the State of Alabama and throughout the United States. To educate local, state, federal law enforcement, prosecutors, judges, victim service providers, and other community members on Human Trafficking issues.

**Date & Time:** June 11, 2008 - 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.)  
June 12, 2008 - 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

**Location:** Samford University - Brock Recital Hall  
800 Lakeshore Drive, Birmingham, Alabama 35229  
Phone: (205) 726-2011 ♦ Maps: <http://www.samford.edu/maps.html>

**Registration Information:** Fee: \$20.00 (Checks/Money Orders are payable to LECC FUND)  
Please register by COB, June 4, 2008.

**Electronic Registration:**

See separate document  
("HT Fillable Registration Form")

**Fax Registration:**

See attached Registration Form  
Fax Number: (205) 244-2180

**Payment/Registration Forms via mail:**

U.S. Attorney's Office - NDAL  
*Attention: Bill Burch/LECC*  
1801 Fourth Avenue, North  
Birmingham, AL 35203

**Credits:** APOST and CLE Credits are pending approval.



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**BACKGROUND:**

- The U.S. government estimates that between 800,000 and 900,000 people--mostly women and children--are trafficked each year across international borders, with between 18,000 and 20,000 brought into the United States.
- The United States has primarily served as a destination country for trafficked persons, with current estimates of 14,500-17,500 people trafficked into the country annually. The U.S. Central Intelligence Agency estimates that 50,000 people are trafficked into or transited through the U.S.A. annually as sex slaves, domestics, garment, and agricultural slaves.
- The United States is a source and destination country for thousands of men, women, and children trafficked for the purposes of sexual and labor exploitation. Women and girls, largely from East Asia, Eastern Europe, Mexico and Central America are trafficked to the United States into prostitution.
- Some men and women, responding to fraudulent offers of employment in the United States, migrate willingly-legally and illegally-but are subsequently subjected to conditions of involuntary servitude at work sites or in the commercial sex trade.
- An unknown number of American citizens and legal residents are trafficked within the country primarily for sexual servitude and, to a lesser extent, forced labor.
- Just to name of a few, Human Trafficking violations have occurred in our homeland to include: Cobb County, Georgia; El Paso, Texas; Detroit, Michigan; Baltimore, Maryland; Long Island, New York; Las Vegas, Nevada; Memphis, Tennessee; Detroit, Michigan, Florida; Mississippi; and more than a dozen cities in California including Sacramento, San Francisco, Oakland, Los Angeles.

**SPEAKERS:**

*Antoinette Aqui, Victim Witness Coordinator - Department of Justice - Washington, D.C.*

*Janice Board, Victim Specialist - Federal Bureau of Investigation - Dallas, TX*

*Daniel Fortune, Assistant U.S. Attorney - Birmingham, AL*

*Henry Levenson, Lieutenant (Retired), Gretna PD, Louisiana - GSRCPI - Hammond, LA*

*Karima Maloney, Attorney - Department of Justice - Washington, DC*

*Robert Moossy, Director, Human Trafficking Unit - Department of Justice - Washington, DC*

*Shawn Ramsey, Sergeant, Lee County Sheriff's Office - Ft. Myers, Florida*

*Janet Rincon, Detective, Lee County Sheriff's Office - Ft. Myers, Florida*

*William "Bill" Stone, Special Agent - Federal Bureau of Investigation - Dallas, TX*

*Nola Theiss, Executive Director - Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships, Inc., Sanibel, FL*



**TOPICS:**

**DAY ONE:**

Overview of Human Trafficking/Definition/Indicators/Differences/Reasons  
Identifying Human Trafficking Violations/Case Studies  
Working Lunch - Group Discussions  
Federal and State Laws  
Challenges/Networking/Resources

**DAY TWO:**

Forms of Human Trafficking  
Implementing a Human Trafficking Task Force

**HOTELS NEAR SAMFORD UNIVERSITY (no more than 2.3 miles away):**

*Birmingham Federal Government Rate is \$86.00 per night*

**Hampton Inn Birmingham/Mountain Brook**

2731 Highway 280 S  
Mountain Brook, AL 35223  
Ph: (205) 870-7822

**Best Western Carlton Suites**

140 State Farm Pkwy  
Birmingham AL 35209-7186  
Ph: (205) 940-9990/(800) 213-0079

**Courtyard by Marriott Homewood**

500 Shades Creek Parkway  
Homewood, AL 35209  
Ph: (205) 879-0400

**LaQuinta Inn and Suites**

60 State Farm Pkwy  
Birmingham, AL 35209  
Ph: (205) 290-0150

**Embassy Suites Birmingham**

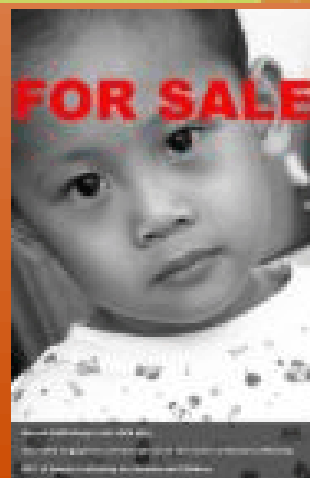
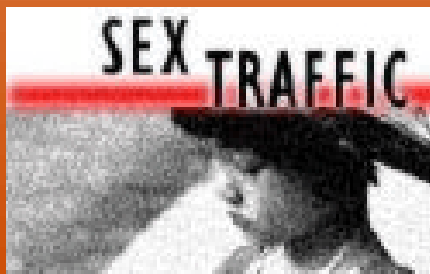
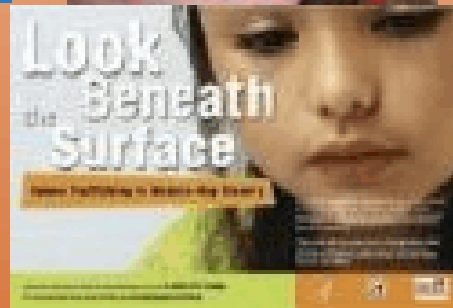
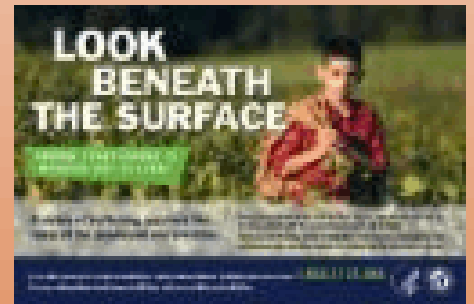
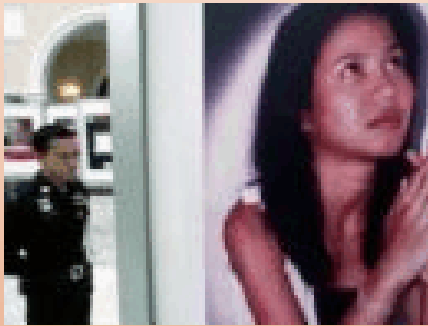
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# HUMAN TRAFFICKING "A Civil Rights Violation"





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