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Rashmi Goel  
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Co-Author, "Comparative Perspectives on Gender Violence: Lessons from Efforts Worldwide" (2015), Oxford University Press; Author: "Women Who Kill Women" (forthcoming), William & Mary Journal of Women and the Law

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Senior Staff Attorney for Sub-Saharan Africa, ABA Justice Defenders Program. Volunteer specialist and co-group Chairperson, Amnesty International USA, where she monitors the human rights situation in Southern Africa, raises awareness and mobilizes action to promote and protect human rights

Catharyn Baird  
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Judge Bernice Donald
U.S. Circuit Court Judge for the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. Prior Appointments: U.S. District Court for the Western District of Tennessee; U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Tennessee as the first black woman to serve as a bankruptcy judge; and on the General Sessions Criminal Court where she was the first black woman to serve as a judge in Tennessee.

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Senior Staff Attorney for Eurasia, ABA Center for Human Rights. In her work she has advised local governments and parliamentary committees on how to bring laws into compliance with international standards, legal reforms, anticorruption and human right portfolios; and, in the NGO sector, supported lawyers defending human rights activists.

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Senior U.S. State Department Foreign Services Officer, retired. Her 30-year diplomatic career included planning and implementing results-oriented international programs and educational exchanges designed to advance U.S. foreign policy goals and build cross-cultural understanding, particularly related to civil society development, women’s empowerment, and youth leadership.

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