The Global Legal Studies Center is pleased to invite you to the following lecture in the Legal Pluralism Speaker Series:

"Sex, Legal Pluralism and the Codex Iuris Canonici"

Patrick J. Wall

Child Abuse Advocate

Hosted by Professor Mitra Sharafi

Thursday, February 28, 2013 12:30-1:30pm Lubar Commons (7200 Law)

A light lunch will be served on a first come first served basis

About the Speaker

Patrick J. Wall is a canon lawyer and world-renowned expert on the Catholic Clergy Abuse Crisis. A former Roman Catholic Priest and Benedictine Monk, Patrick has a bachelor's degree in philosophy and a Master of Divinity degree from Saint John's University in Minnesota. In 2007, he received an LL.M in Canon Law from the Cardiff University School of Law in Wales. While a practicing priest in Minnesota, Mr. Wall served as a faculty resident, member of the seminary sexual abuse response team, associate pastor, parochial administrator, defender of the bond, advocate, tribunal judge, high school instructor, member of the archdiocesan finance council, and member of the Canon Law Society of America. After working as a "fixer" in the church, dealing with the aftermath of sexual abusive priests in parishes and schools, Mr. Wall left the priesthood, finding that the only way that abuse survivors would get the help and healing they needed was outside of the church hierarchy. Mr. Wall has consulted on more than 200 cases of clergy abuse in the United States. He is the author of "Sex, Priests and Secret Codes," a leading book on the 2000-year history of sexual abuse in the Catholic Church, and is co-author of the forthcoming "New Book of Gomorrah."

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