Global issues expert to discuss morality in armed conflict

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Athens, Ga. - University of Utah Professor of Law Amos N. Guiora will deliver a lecture titled "Morality in Armed Conflict: Dilemma of the Decision Maker in Operational Counterterrorism" on Tuesday, Oct. 27, at 12:30 p.m. The lecture is presented by the University of Georgia School of Law's Dean Rusk Center in coordination with the Consulate General of Israel to the Southeast. It will take place in the Larry Walker Room of Dean Rusk Hall, located on North Campus.

In addressing the operational dilemmas of the commander in operational decision making, Guiora will explore morality in armed conflict and legal and policy aspects of counterterrorism and international law issues.

Guiora's teaching portfolio includes criminal law, criminal procedure, international law, global perspectives on counter-terrorism, and religion and terrorism. He is also a Research Fellow at the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism in Herzliya, Israel. He previously taught at Case Western Reserve University School of Law and was the director of its Institute for Global Security Law and Policy. Additionally, he was awarded a Senior Specialist Fulbright Fellowship for The Netherlands School of Human Rights Research in 2008.

Having served for 19 years in the Israel Defense Forces Judge Advocate General's Corp, Guiora held a number of senior command positions. He was involved in several legal and policymaking issues such as implementation of the Gaza-Jericho Agreement and the Israeli-Palestinian Interim Agreement. Guiora was also responsible for the development of a software program to teach soldiers and commanders their obligations regarding civilian populations during armed conflict.

Guiora is the editor of Annual Review — Top Ten Global Security Law Review Articles and is the author of Constitutional Limits on Coercive Interrogation.

He earned his undergraduate degree in history from Kenyon College and his law degree from Case Western Reserve University.