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Inter-American Law Review

Presents a Symposium on

The Language Battle: Speaking the Truth

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“The Language Battle: Speaking the Truth”

This year, the U.S. Senate voted for two separate amendments to make English the national language and to make it the common unifying language of the United States of America. English-Only legislation has its roots in Florida. In 1980, Dade County voters approved an “anti-bilingual ordinance.” Since 1988, Article II, Section 9, of the Florida Constitution, provides that “English is the official language of the State of Florida.” However, Miami, Florida contains a melting pot of cultures with many diverse languages. With Florida as a forerunner in initiating anti-bilingual legislation, the University of Miami Law School has organized a forum to discuss and debate the recent state of the English-Only Legislation and its societal implications.

Distinguished Speakers

Ricardo Bascuas

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School Board Attorney

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Schedule of Events

- 8:30 – 9:00 Registration & Light Breakfast
- 9:00 – 9:10 Welcome and Introduction
- 9:10 – 10:40 JulieAnn Rico, April Linton, John De Leon, Ira Kurzban, and Marla Somerstein
- The Facts: The Past and Current State of Legislative Language Initiatives
 - English for the Children?
The Controversy of Bilingual Education
- 10:40 – 11:00 Questions and Comments
- 11:00 – 11:15 Morning Break
- 11:15 – 12:15 John De Leon, Ira Kurzban and Ricardo Bascuas
- Employee Benefits? Potential Effects on the Workplace
- 12:15 – 12:30 Questions and Comments
- 12:30 Luncheon