



The Center for Human Rights and Global Justice at NYU School of Law  
Invites you to the Launch of

***Americans on Hold:  
Profiling, Prejudice, and National Security***

Wednesday, April 28, 2010, 6-8 PM  
Furman Hall Room 216, 245 Sullivan Street, NYU School of Law

**Screening:**

*Americans on Hold: Profiling, Prejudice, and National Security* is a timely and powerful documentary film that exposes the U.S. government's use of discriminatory profiling in the name of national security, and its impact on South Asian, Arab, Middle Eastern, and Muslim community members.

Through the personal stories of Zuhair Mahd and Anila Ali, the film reveals the discriminatory profiling at the heart of both citizenship delays and border-crossing detentions and delays. Ali, a teacher, mother, and community organizer originally from Pakistan, received her American citizenship in 2002, but continues to experience humiliating and invasive treatment by Customs and Border Protection officials as a consequence of her national origin. Mahd, a blind adaptive technology specialist from Jordan, waged and won a five-year legal struggle against the Department of Homeland Security in his effort to become a U.S. citizen. In the process, he was repeatedly interrogated and pressured by the FBI to become an informant.

**A Conversation with Zuhair Mahd:**

Following the screening, the audience will be invited to speak directly with Zuhair Mahd through an interactive video-chat.

**Q & A about the Film and the Issues:**

The event will conclude with a discussion about profiling in the name of national security with:

- Sameer Ahmed, Skadden Fellow, Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund (AALDEF).
- Monami Maulik, Executive Director, Desis Rising Up and Moving (DRUM).
- Smita Narula, Faculty Director, Center for Human Rights and Global Justice (CHRGJ).

Moderated by Amna Akbar, CHRGJ Clinic Fellow. Introductory remarks by Pamela Clarke, Law Student Advocate, International Human Rights Clinic.

The event will begin with a brief reception.

Please **RSVP** to Kelly Ryan at [ryank@exchange.law.nyu.edu](mailto:ryank@exchange.law.nyu.edu) to be guaranteed entrance

Please bring a valid ID.

For more information about the film, please visit: [www.americansonhold.org](http://www.americansonhold.org)

