"How Can You Defend Those People" Origins of the Public Defense

Candid Conversation with Barbara Babcock

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Tuesday, March 6, 2012 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Room 145A Boyd Law Building

"Clara Foltz presented the idea of a public defender to match the public prosecutor at the World's Fair in 1893. She had a clear vision of what a public defender should be, an ideal which very few defender offices have ever achieved. We will talk about the original idea of public defense, its connection with the women's movement, and the legal profession's obligation to the indigent accused." A 2012 Beyond The Classroom Event.