

**ABA International Refugee Law Committee**  
**Weekly**  
**HOT TOPICS DIGEST**  
**13 February 2017**

NEWS

**ABA Resolution on the Jan. 27 executive**

**order/refugees** <http://www.americanbar.org/content/dam/aba/images/abanews/2017%20Midyear%20Meeting%20Resolutions/10b.pdf>

also

[http://www.americanbar.org/news/reporter\\_resources/midyear-meeting-2017/house-of-delegates-resolutions/10b.html](http://www.americanbar.org/news/reporter_resources/midyear-meeting-2017/house-of-delegates-resolutions/10b.html)

**Harvard Immigration and Refugee Clinic Releases Report on Trump Executive**

**Orders** <https://www.lexisnexis.com/legalnewsroom/immigration/b/outsidenews/archive/2017/02/13/harvard-immigration-and-refugee-clinic-releases-report-on-trump-executive-orders.aspx?Redirected=true>

**Court Refuses to Reinstate Travel Ban, Dealing Trump Another Legal**

**Loss** [https://www.nytimes.com/2017/02/09/us/politics/appeals-court-trump-travel-ban.html?hp&action=click&pgtype=Homepage&clickSource=story-heading&module=span-ab-top-region&region=top-news&WT.nav=top-news&utm\\_source=Refugees+Deeply&utm\\_campaign=3d7c73c8e2-EMAIL\\_CAMPAIGN\\_2017\\_02\\_10&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_8b056c90e2-3d7c73c8e2-117584105&mc\\_cid=3d7c73c8e2&mc\\_eid=eb52d0b586&r=0](https://www.nytimes.com/2017/02/09/us/politics/appeals-court-trump-travel-ban.html?hp&action=click&pgtype=Homepage&clickSource=story-heading&module=span-ab-top-region&region=top-news&WT.nav=top-news&utm_source=Refugees+Deeply&utm_campaign=3d7c73c8e2-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_02_10&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_8b056c90e2-3d7c73c8e2-117584105&mc_cid=3d7c73c8e2&mc_eid=eb52d0b586&r=0)

**Getting a handle on the litigation challenging the seven-nation “travel**

**ban”** <https://www.justsecurity.org/37315/getting-handle-litigation-challenging-seven-nation-travel-ban/>

**Becoming sanctuary cities being discussed in Saskatoon and Regina, but what does that**

**mean?** <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/saskatoon/saskatchewan-sanctuary-city-1.3968319>

**International human rights lawyer David Matas on why Canada must suspend the Safe Third**

**Country refugee agreement with the U.S.** <http://www.macleans.ca/news/canada/canada-must-respond-to-unsafe-america/>

**ACLU/National Immigration Law Center Maryland lawsuit challenging executive**

**order** [https://www.aclu.org/sites/default/files/field\\_document/complaint\\_8.pdf](https://www.aclu.org/sites/default/files/field_document/complaint_8.pdf)

**Accompanying press release** <https://www.aclu.org/news/aclu-groups-file-new-challenge-trump-muslim-ban>

**US halts vetting refugees for now, Australia says** <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/amp/38915684>

**A detainee at one of Australia's offshore camps is on a hunger strike and near**

**death** [https://www.pri.org/stories/2017-02-09/detainee-one-australias-offshore-camps-hunger-strike-and-near-death?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=The%20Scan%20%20February%2010&utm\\_content=The%20Scan%20%20February%2010+CID\\_cc8c8bc7361afe90943ae40ab9c291f8&utm\\_source=newstetter&utm\\_term=A%20detainee%20at%20one%20of%20Australias%20offshore%20camps%20is%20n%20a%20hunger%20strike%20and%20near%20death](https://www.pri.org/stories/2017-02-09/detainee-one-australias-offshore-camps-hunger-strike-and-near-death?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=The%20Scan%20%20February%2010&utm_content=The%20Scan%20%20February%2010+CID_cc8c8bc7361afe90943ae40ab9c291f8&utm_source=newstetter&utm_term=A%20detainee%20at%20one%20of%20Australias%20offshore%20camps%20is%20n%20a%20hunger%20strike%20and%20near%20death)

**Why has the UK ended its 'Dubs' child refugee scheme?** [https://www.theguardian.com/uk-](https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2017/feb/10/why-has-the-uk-ended-its-dubs-child-refugee-scheme)

[news/2017/feb/10/why-has-the-uk-ended-its-dubs-child-refugee-scheme](https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2017/feb/10/why-has-the-uk-ended-its-dubs-child-refugee-scheme)

**South Sudanese refugees hit 1.5 million mark** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dTTVb-GPbcg&app=desktop>

**UNHCR: Refugees/Migrants Response - Mediterranean** <http://data.unhcr.org/mediterranean/regional.php>

EVENTS/CALLS TO ACTION/JOBS/TRAINING

**The ABA SIL International Refugee Law Committee is calling for submissions on refugee and asylum topics for “The Refuge”** Submission Deadline: Cut-off is the 20th of each month. Contact the editors at [irlcrefuge@gmail.com](mailto:irlcrefuge@gmail.com).

**Conference: Refugee Policies from 1933 until Today: Challenges and Responsibilities, 16-17 February 2017, Rome** <http://holocaustremembrance.com/media-room/stories/refugee-policies-1933-until-today>

**Challenging Immigration Detention with Habeas Petitions – A Basic Overview** [http://www.pli.edu/Content/OnDemand/Challenging\\_Immigration\\_Detention\\_with\\_Habeas/\\_N-4nZ1z10c7n?fromsearch=false&ID=311545](http://www.pli.edu/Content/OnDemand/Challenging_Immigration_Detention_with_Habeas/_N-4nZ1z10c7n?fromsearch=false&ID=311545)

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