

VICTIMS' RIGHTS DIGEST 101:

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Welcome to the Victims' Rights Digest 101, NAVRA's weekly digest of national and international news affecting crime victims.

In this digest NAVRA hopes to share many of the news, cases and research links that come across its desk on a weekly basis. This Digest is not intended to be a comprehensive collection of news items affecting crime victims, nor does NCVLI express any opinion with regard to any of the stories contained in the Digest. The Digest is designed to provide the membership of NAVRA with a glimpse of victims' issues being talked about and reported on across the country and the world.

We hope that you will find this of use. More news on victims' issues can also be found at www.ncvli.org.

Comments, concerns, and recommendations regarding this Digest are always welcome. Send them to navra@lclark.edu.

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* Westlaw/LexisNexis articles require a login and password.

NON-REGIONAL

Las Cruces Murder Victim's Mother Lobbies Congress For Better DNA Testing System

<http://www.kfoxtv.com/news/21976170/detail.html>

Victims on human trafficking are often deported

<http://www.mcclatchydc.com/homepage/story/80720.html>

NATIONAL

EAST

Connecticut - Legislative Task Force Focuses On Domestic Violence

<http://www.courant.com/news/connecticut/hc-dv-task-force-1215.artdec15,0,5245370.story>

Massachusetts - Judge: No testimony at hearing from alleged child rape victim

http://news.bostonherald.com/news/regional/view/20091216judge_no_testimony_at_hearing_from_alleged_child_rape_victim/srv=home&position=also

SOUTH

Texas - The DA's Victims Rights Division Becomes A Victim Itself

http://blogs.houstonpress.com/hairballs/2009/12/da_restitution_theft.php

Texas - Secrecy clouds picture of sexual assault

<http://www.mysanantonio.com/news/education/79283992.html>

WEST

California - Assembly bill would require witnesses to report violent crimes

<http://www.latimes.com/news/local/la-me-richmond18-2009dec18,0,1978706.story>

California - Victim Supports New Legislation Designed to Protect Others From Harassment

<http://abcnews.go.com/2020/victim-sexual-assault-anand-jon-speaks/story?id=9372508&page=1>

Colorado - Victims barred from hep-C debriefing

http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci_14004970

New Mexico - Slap on the Wrist: SUN investigation Reveals that Defendants in Child Rape and Molestation Cases Rarely Go to Prison

<http://www.riograndesun.com/articles/2009/12/17/news/doc4b294c060124a008445512.txt>

INTERNATIONAL

CANADA

MP fears Senate logjam will keep child trafficking bill from passing before Olympics

<http://www.vancouversun.com/news/fears+Senate+logjam+will+keep+child+trafficking+bill+from+passing+before+Olympics/2345241/story.html>

Victoria police begin to target domestic violence

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/national/victoria-police-begin-to-target-domestic-violence/article1401988/>

NEW ZEALAND

Elliott family seeks changes to Victims' Rights Act

<http://www.radionz.co.nz/news/stories/2009/12/14/1245d9ae04fd>

SOUTH KOREA

Groups combine to help child sex assault victims

<http://joongangdaily.joins.com/article/view.asp?aid=2914101>

State sued in brutal child rape case

<http://joongangdaily.joins.com/article/view.asp?aid=2914050>

VIETNAM

Stricter stance on domestic violence

<http://vietnamnews.vnagency.com.vn/showarticle.php?num=01POP161209>