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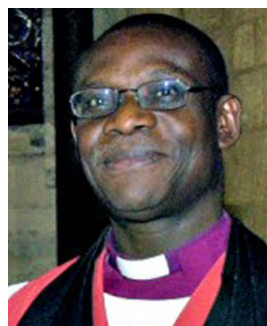
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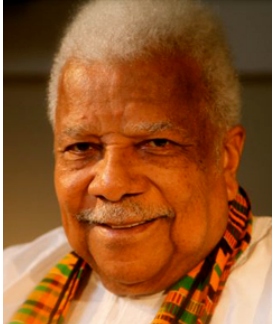
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Full Bios

Zainah Anwar is a founding member and former Executive Director of Sisters in Islam (SIS) and currently leads Musawah, the global movement for equality and justice in the Muslim family. She is at the forefront of the women's movement pushing for an end to the use of Islam to justify discrimination against women. The pioneering work of SIS in understanding Islam from a rights perspective and creating an alternative public voice of Muslim women demanding equality and justice and reform of discriminatory Muslim laws led it to initiate Musawah in 2009. This knowledge building movement brings together activists and scholars to create new feminist knowledge in Islam to break the binary between Islam and human rights and the disconnect between law and reality. Zainah also writes a monthly newspaper column on politics, religion, and women's rights, called *Sharing the Nation*. She is a former member of the Human Rights Commission of Malaysia. Her book, *Islamic Revivalism in Malaysia: Dakwah Among the Students*, has become a standard reference in the study of Islam in Malaysia.

His Eminence Dr. Mustafa Ceric has been the Raisu-l-Ulama of the Islamic Community in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Grand Mufti of Bosnia since 1993. He is also the Grand Mufti of Sanjak, Croatia and Slovenia. He was reelected to the position of Raisu-l-Ulama in 2005. He graduated from Madrasah in Sarajevo as well as the Faculty of Arabic Language and Literature at Al-Azhar University in Cairo. In 1987 he received his Ph.D. in Islamic studies from the University of Chicago, where he studied under the late Dr. Fazlur Rahman. He served as an imam (Islamic Cultural Center, Chicago and Islamic Center of Zagreb, Croatia) and professor in Bosnia (Faculty of Islamic Sciences), Malaysia (International Institute for Islamic Thought and Civilization, Kuala Lumpur), and the United States (American Islamic College, Chicago). He is the co-recipient of the 2003 UNESCO Felix Houphouet Boigny Peace Prize for Contribution to World Peace and recipient of the International Council of Christians and Jews Annual Sir Sternberg Award for exceptional contribution to interfaith understanding. He is co-signatory of an Open letter by Muslim personalities, meant as a reply to the Regensburg speech by Pope Benedict XVI and expressing essential positions on questions about Islam and reason, Islam and violence, and Islam and Christianity ("The Letter by 139," 13 Oct 2006), and co-signatory of "A Common Word Between Us and You" – an appeal addressed to all Christian churches, for dialogue on the basis of love of God and love of the neighbour ("The Letter by 138," 13 Oct 2007).

Richard Cizik is President of the New Evangelical Partnership for the Common Good (www.newevangelicalpartnership.org) and has been a leader in bringing evangelicals, scholars, and policymakers together in the search for common ground on national and international challenges, including civil liberties, economic justice, and national security. He graduated with a B.A., cum laude, Political Science, Whitworth University (1973); Master of Divinity, Denver Seminary (1979); M.A., Public Affairs, The George Washington University School of Public & International Affairs (1985). He was named in 2008 to the "TIME 100" for his work with Nobel Laureate Eric Chivian in bringing scientists and evangelicals together on environmental challenges. His comments on NPR's *Fresh Air* program that year in support of civil unions, climate change, and family planning to reduce abortions led to his dismissal from the National Association of Evangelicals, where he had served for twenty-eight years in governmental affairs, including the last ten years as Vice President. Since then, he has led the movement of "New Evangelicals" toward a public strategy of healing, not division; love not anger; a broad not narrow agenda; and faith not subordinated to political ideology. Chalice Press released in August, 2012, *A New Evangelical Manifesto*, with chapters by its leaders.

President John J. DeGioia is the 48th President of Georgetown University. Under his leadership, the University has completed a \$1-billion capital campaign; launched the largest expansion of campus facilities in the institution's history; significantly increased student financial aid; and strengthened endowments for faculty research. He has placed special emphasis on sustaining and strengthening Georgetown's Catholic and Jesuit identity and its responsibility to serve as a voice and an instrument for justice. DeGioia has helped to expand and deepen Georgetown's engagement with the global community, supporting initiatives on a range of issues from interreligious dialogue to global health to emerging economies. He has also enhanced Georgetown's relationship with the many political, cultural, corporate, and economic

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resources of Washington, D.C., and he is a strong supporter of Georgetown's social justice initiatives that seek to improve opportunities for Washington's underserved neighborhoods. He also teaches as a Professorial Lecturer in the Department of Philosophy. Beyond the Georgetown hilltop, DeGioia is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and serves as Chair of the Board of Directors of the Forum for the Future of Higher Education, the Consortium on Financing Higher Education, and the Consortium of Universities of the Washington Metro Area. He is a member of the Board of Directors for the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities; the Board of Governors of the John Carroll Society; the Executive Committee of the Council on Competitiveness; the Big East Conference Executive Committee; and is a Commissioner on the Knight Commission on Intercollegiate Athletics. He also serves on the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Faith and Global University Leadership Forum.

Farid Esack is a South African Muslim Theologian who cut his teeth in the South African struggle for liberation. He studied in Pakistan (where he completed the *Darsi Nizami*), the UK, and Germany and is the author of *Qur'an, Liberation and Pluralism, On Being a Muslim, An Introduction to the Qur'an*, and (with Sarah Chiddy) co-editor of *Islam, HIV & AIDS –Between Scorn Pity & Justice*. He has published extensively on Islam and Gender, Liberation Theology, Interfaith Relations, and Qur'anic Hermeneutics. Professor Esack has served on the South African Commission for Gender Equality and has taught at the University of Western Cape, the University of Hamburg, the College of William & Mary, Union Theological Seminary (NY), and Xavier University in Cincinnati. After a two-year stint as the Prince Al-Waleed Bin Talal Professor of Contemporary Islam at Harvard University, Farid Esack now serves as a Professor in the Study of Islam at the University of Johannesburg and head of its Department of Religion Studies.

John L. Esposito is University Professor, Professor of Religion and International Affairs and of Islamic Studies, and Founding Director of the Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding at the Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University. Esposito specializes in Islam, political Islam from North Africa to Southeast Asia, and Religion and International Affairs. He is Editor-in-Chief of Oxford Islamic Studies Online and Series Editor: Oxford Library of Islamic Studies, Editor-in-Chief of the six-volume *The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Islamic World*, *The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Modern Islamic World*, *The Oxford History of Islam* (a Book-of-the-Month Club selection), *The Oxford Dictionary of Islam*, *The Islamic World: Past and Present*, and Oxford Islamic Studies Online. His more than forty-five books include *Islamophobia and the Challenge of Pluralism in the 21st Century*, *The Future of Islam*, *Who Speaks for Islam? What a Billion Muslims Really Think* (with Dalia Mogahed), *Unholy War: Terror in the Name of Islam* (a Washington Post and Boston Globe best seller), *The Islamic Threat: Myth or Reality?*, *Islam and Politics*, *Political Islam: Radicalism, Revolution or Reform?*, and *Islam and Democracy* (with J. Voll). His writings have been translated into more than 35 languages. A former President of the Middle East Studies Association of North America and of the American Council for the Study of Islamic Societies, Vice Chair of the Center for the Study of Islam and Democracy, and member of the World Economic Forum's Council of 100 Leaders, he is currently Vice President (2012) and President Elect (2013) of the American Academy of Religion, a member of the E. C. European Network of Experts on De-Radicalisation, and an ambassador for the UN Alliance of Civilizations.

Mohammad H. Fadel is Associate Professor at the University of Toronto Faculty of Law, which he joined in January 2006. Professor Fadel wrote his Ph.D. dissertation on legal process in medieval Islamic law while at the University of Chicago. He was admitted to the Bar of New York in 2000 and practiced law with the firm of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP in New York, New York, where he worked on a wide variety of corporate finance transactions and securities-related regulatory investigations. Professor Fadel also served as a law clerk to the Honorable Paul V. Niemeyer of the United States Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit and the Honorable Anthony A. Alaimo of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Georgia. Professor Fadel has published numerous articles in Islamic legal history and Islam and liberalism.

The Most Rev. Josiah Idowu-Fearon serves as the chairman for the Program for Christian-Muslim Relations in Africa (PROCMURA) in northern Nigeria, as well as the chairperson for PROCMURA, Africa. He is also a Bishop of the Diocese

of Kaduna. Bishop Idowu-Fearon studied at the Immanuel College of Theology, Ibadan before pursuing a B.A. in Theology from St. John's College, Durham University, UK. He later went on to earn his M.A. in Islamic Studies from Birmingham University and D.Min from the Hartford Seminary. Bishop Idowu-Fearon completed his Ph.D. in Sociology at the Ahmadu Bello University in Zaria, Nigeria. He was previously the National President for the Christian Council of Nigeria from 2000 to 2004 and is President of the Network for Interfaith Concerns. He is married to Comfort Amina and has three children, Ibrahim, Dauda (deceased), and Ninma.

Said Ferjani is a member of the Political Bureau of the Tunisian political party al-Nahda, as well as a member of its Communication Bureau and International Relations Department. Ferjani is a former political prisoner and victim of torture, forced into exile in the UK for 22 years during the Ben Ali era. He is a former member of the executive bureau of al-Nahda (from 1992-2000), a former member of the Shura council for al-Nahda, and Secretary General of the "Islam and Modernity Forum: Intellectual Debate." He is a human rights activist and leading founder of AISPPT (Association Internationale de soutien pour les prisonniers politiques) and leading founder of the international charity organization Families Relief UK. He is Vice Chair of MINAB (Mosques and Imams Advisory Board, UK); former Head of Policy, Media, and PR of the Muslim Association of Britain; and Advisor to the Minister of Justice in Tunisia.

Norman H. Gershman (*Building Bridges Award Recipient*) is a fine art photographer with representation in various museums throughout the world. His work can best be defined as being humanistic, rather than photojournalism. Gershman photographs with his heart. In his portraits, he captures the soul of people usually through eye contact. He has brought people together with his former work in the Soviet Union, Cuba, and currently with his 7-year project of portraits and profiles of "Muslim Families Who Saved Jews in WW2." It is through his camera, and ability to engage his subject on an intimate level, that enables his portraits to pass through the veil of anonymity and give back to the recipient themselves. In his early years, Gershman had studied with many of the great photographers ultimately honing his own style. He has been a collector and dealer of fine art photography and has published, lectured, exhibited and written extensively on photography. His work is represented in the permanent collection of The International Center of Photography, The Brooklyn Museum, The Aspen Art Museum, The Museum of the Diaspora Tel Aviv, The Hebrew Union College, The Holocaust Museum Jerusalem, The Museum of Tolerance and several venues in Russia. In Israel, his work: "Birobidjan: The Jewish Autonomous Region" is represented in the permanent collection of Beth Hatefutsoth, the Museum of The Jewish Diaspora, in Tel Aviv.

Merve Kavakci-Islam is a Lecturer of International Relations at George Washington University and Howard University. She was elected to the Turkish Parliament, the Grand National Assembly of Turkey in 1999. However, she was prevented from serving her term by the secularists because she wears a headscarf. Kavakci-Islam's political party was closed down and her Turkish citizenship was revoked, banning her from politics for a period of five years. She took her case to European Court of Human Rights and won in 2007. A widely recognized international public figure, she has addressed the British Parliament House of Lords, the United Nations Commission on Human Rights, the US Congress Helsinki Commission, and the Inter-Parliamentary Union. She has lectured at myriad of American, European, and Canadian Universities including Harvard, Yale, Cornell, Cambridge, Berlin, Milan, Insburg, and Ottawa universities. Kavakci-Islam holds a PhD in political science from Howard University, an MPA from Harvard University, and a BS in Software Engineering from University of Texas at Dallas. Prior to that she attended the Medical School of Ankara University however was not permitted to continue due to the headscarf ban. Kavakci-Islam is a consultant for the US Congress on the Muslim world and a columnist for the Turkish daily *Yeni Akit*. She sits at the Editorial Board of Mediterranean Quarterly. She is the author of *Headscarf Politics in Turkey: A Postcolonial Reading* and five other books, some of which are translated to Arabic and Persian. She is recognized as among the *500 Most Influential Muslims in the World*.

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David Law is Professor of Law and Professor of Political Science at Washington University in St. Louis and Visiting Professor at Georgetown University Law Center. His expertise is in law and political science, comparative constitutional law, and comparative judicial politics, with a research emphasis on the identification, explanation, and prediction of global patterns in constitutional law. Born and raised in Canada, he holds a Ph.D. in political science at Stanford, a B.C.L. in European and Comparative Law from the University of Oxford, and a J.D. from Harvard Law School. He was simultaneously on the faculty of the University of San Diego law school and the University of California, San Diego political science department and has served as a visiting professor at the National Taiwan University College of Law, Seoul National University School of Law, and Keio University Faculty of Law in Tokyo, and a visiting scholar at the NYU School of Law. His research has been supported by grants from the Council on Foreign Relations, the National Science Foundation, and a Fulbright Scholarship and has been translated into Chinese, Japanese, and Romanian. His scholarship on constitutional globalization and the declining influence of the U.S. Constitution has been featured in a variety of domestic and international media, including the front page of *The New York Times*.

Ali A. Mazrui (*Building Bridges Award Recipient*) was born in Mombasa, Kenya, on February 24, 1933. Mazrui obtained his doctorate from Oxford University in England. He is now Albert Schweitzer Professor in the Humanities and Director of the Institute of Global Cultural Studies at Binghamton University, State University of New York. He is also Albert Luthuli Professor-at-Large at the University of Jos in Nigeria. He is Andrew D. White Professor-at-Large Emeritus and Senior Scholar in Africana Studies at Cornell University. For ten years, he was at Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda, where he served as head of the Department of Political Science and Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences. He also served as professor of political science (1974-1991) and as Director of the Center for Afroamerican and African Studies (1978-1981) at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. In 2005, the American Journal, Foreign Policy, and the British Journal, Prospect, nominated Ali Mazrui among the top 100 public intellectuals alive in the world. His more than thirty books include *Towards a Pax Africana* (1967) and *The Political Sociology of the English Language* (1975). His research interests include African politics, international political culture, political Islam, and North-South relations. His most recent books include *Islam Between Globalization and Counter-Terrorism* (2006), *A Tale of Two Africas: Nigeria and South Africa as Contrasting Visions* (2006), *The Politics of War and the Culture of Violence* (2008), and *EuroJews and Afro-Arabs: The Great Semitic Divergence in World History* (2008).

Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of New York in 1958. Early in his ministry he was assigned to Puerto Rico, where in 1965 he was named President of the Catholic University of Puerto Rico. Returning to New York for pastoral ministry, he was appointed Auxiliary Bishop and Vicar of Harlem in 1977. Named as first Bishop of Metuchen in 1981, he subsequently served as Archbishop of Newark and then in 2000 was transferred to Washington. He was created a Cardinal by Blessed John Paul II in 2001. His retirement was accepted in 2006. In 2011 he served as a Distinguished Senior Scholar at the Library of Congress. All his life he has been involved in social ministry.

Fr. Thomas Michel, S.J. (*Building Bridges Award Recipient*) was born in St. Louis, MO, in 1941, ordained a Catholic priest in 1967, and took vows as a Jesuit in Yogyakarta, Indonesia, in 1969. After studying Arabic in Egypt and Lebanon, he received a doctorate in Islamic thought from the University of Chicago with a thesis entitled "Ibn Taymiyya's Al-Jawab al-Sahih: A Muslim Theologian's Critique of Christianity." After a year teaching at Columbia University in New York, he taught Islamic studies at Sanata Dharma University in Indonesia as well as Christian theology in Islamic theological institutes. In 1981-1994, Fr. Michel worked in the Vatican as Head of the Office for relations with Muslims. During this time, he spent four years teaching Christian theology in Turkish universities. In 1994-2008, Fr. Michel served in Bangkok as Secretary for Interreligious Affairs for the Catholic bishops of Asia and as Jesuit Secretary for Interreligious Dialogue in Rome. Until recently, he was living in Turkey and has published extensively on modern Muslim thinkers such as Said Nursi and Fethullah Gülen. He is currently on the staff of Georgetown University as Senior Fellow of the Woodstock Theological Center, and Senior Fellow of the Alwaleed Center for Muslim-Christian

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Understanding. The fall semester of 2012, he is holder of the Wade Chair at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Dalia Mogahed is Executive Director of and Senior Analyst for the Gallup Center for Muslim Studies. Mogahed leads the analysis of surveys of Muslims worldwide, including in the U.S. and Europe. With John L. Esposito, she coauthored the groundbreaking book *Who Speaks for Islam? What a Billion Muslims Really Think*. President Barack Obama appointed Mogahed to the President's Advisory Council on Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships in 2009, making her the first Muslim-American woman to hold a position of this seniority. In this role, Mogahed joined other American leaders in offering recommendations to the U.S. president on how faith-based organizations can best work with the government to solve society's toughest challenges. Mogahed is a member of the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on the Arab World, serves on the boards of Freedom House and Soliya, and is a nonresident senior public policy scholar at Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy and International Affairs at the American University of Beirut. Arabian Business magazine recognized her as one of the most influential Arab women in the world.

Kathleen M. Moore, a professor of Religious Studies at UC Santa Barbara, specializes in law and religion. She completed her doctorate in political science at University of Massachusetts Amherst, and her research interests lie at the intersection of politics, religion and law. She has authored three books and several articles on the topic of Islam and Muslims in the United States and Britain, the legal status of Muslim Americans, immigration politics, and pluralism. Titles include *Al Mughtaribun: American law and the Transformation of Muslim Life in the United States* (revised and expanded edition, SUNY, 2013); *Muslim Women in America* (co-authored with Yvonne Haddad and Jane Smith, Oxford University Press, 2006, 2011), and *The Unfamiliar Abode: Islamic Law in the United States and Britain* (Oxford University Press, 2010). She has been on the Board of Trustees of the Law & Society Association and is active in the American Academy of Religion.

Seyyed Hossein Nasr, currently University Professor of Islamic Studies at George Washington University, is one of the most important and foremost scholars of Islamic, Religious, and Comparative Studies in the world today. Author of over fifty books and five hundred articles which have been translated into several major Islamic, European, and Asian languages, Professor Nasr is a well known and highly respected intellectual figure both in the West and the Islamic world. An eloquent speaker with a charismatic presence, Nasr is a much sought-after speaker at academic conferences and seminars, university and public lectures, and also radio and television programs in his area of expertise. Possessor of an impressive academic and intellectual record, his career as a teacher and scholar spans over four decades. Born in 1933 in Tehran, Iran where he received his early education, Professor Nasr began his illustrious teaching career in 1955 when he was still a young and promising doctoral student at Harvard University. Over the years, he has taught and trained an innumerable number of students who have come from the different parts of the world, and many of whom have become important and prominent scholars in their fields of study.

Alfred Raouf is a blogger and political activist who was in Tahrir Square on January 25th, 2011 and throughout the Egyptian revolution. Since participating in the 18 days of protest which brought about the downfall of the Mubarak regime, in addition to continuing to work as an engineer, he has worked with the political movement he co-founded to forward the original goals of the revolution: independence, dignity, freedom, and social justice in Egypt. He is also a founding member of the *Al-Dostour* Party which aims to create a solid foundation for democracy and liberties after many years of dictatorship by reaching out to and working with the Egyptian people. The party will field candidates in the next parliamentary and presidential elections and hopes to represent and work toward the integration of minority groups into Egyptian society. He has studied other revolutions, regime changes, and models of governance as well as participating in a number of conferences relating to democracy.

Mohamed Yousry Salama began his career as a dentist whose passion for Arabic heritage led him to change paths and join the *Bibliotheca Alexandrina* Manuscript Center as a researcher and translator. Dr. Yousry is also a political activist,

scholar, and writer of note. He has authored several books and professional articles, edited numerous Arabic manuscripts, and contributed extensively to distinguished Egyptian newspapers such as *al-Shorouk*, *al-Masry al-Youm*, and *al-Dostoor*. As a political activist, Yousry does more political analysis via his comments and write-ups on twitter. He is the former official spokesman of Al-Nour (Salafi) party, and a founding member of the newly-formed Al-Dostour Party. He has taken part in many national and international conferences.

Chris Seiple, Ph.D., is the president of the Institute for Global Engagement, a research, education, and diplomatic institution that builds sustainable religious freedom worldwide through local partnerships. A graduate of Stanford, the Naval Postgraduate School, and the Fletcher School for Law & Diplomacy, Dr. Seiple is also the founder of *The Review of Faith & International Affairs*, a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and a member of the International Institute for Strategic Studies. Seiple is the co-editor of the *Routledge Handbook on Religion & Security* (Routledge, 2012). He is a member of the Federal Advisory Committee to the U.S. Secretary of State's "Strategic Dialogue with Civil Society," and serves as senior adviser to the Dialogue's working group on "Religion & Foreign Policy." Seiple also is the Vice-Chair for the World Economic Forum's inaugural Global Agenda Council on the Role of Faith. A former Marine infantry officer, he speaks regularly at the U.S. Foreign Service Institute, U.S. military schools, and within the intelligence community regarding national security, social-cultural-religious engagement, and the interdependence of religion and realpolitik. At the request of the U.S. Army Chaplaincy, he designed and implemented the Chaplaincy's first training program for social-cultural-religious strategy and engagement (2010-2012).

Emad Shahin is professor of Public Policy at the School of Global Affairs and Public Policy (GAPP), the American University in Cairo (AUC). His areas of interests include comparative politics, public policies, Islamic law and politics, and democracy and political reform in Islamic societies. Before joining the AUC faculty, Shahin was the Henry R. Luce Associate Professor of Religion, Conflict and Peacebuilding at the University of Notre Dame's Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies (2009-2012). He was associate professor of political science at the American University in Cairo (1998-2006), visiting associate professor in the department of government at Harvard University (2006-2009), and visiting scholar in the Islamic Legal Studies Program at Harvard Law School (2006-2007). Shahin holds a Ph.D. (1989) from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, M.A. (1983) and BA (1980) from the American University in Cairo. His publications include *Political Ascent: Contemporary Islamic Movements in North Africa*, co-editorship of *Struggling over Democracy in the Middle East and North Africa*, and co-authorship of *Islam and Democracy*, published in Arabic. He is the editor-in-chief of *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Politics* and co-editor with John L. Esposito of *The Oxford Handbook of Islam and Politics*. Shahin has made frequent contributions to major media outlets, such as CNN, BBC, New York Times, Washington Post, The Atlantic, Foreign Policy and Al-Jazeera, among others.

Tamara Sonn is the Wm. R. Kenan Distinguished Professor of Humanities in the Department of Religious Studies at the College of William and Mary. Her books include *Interpreting Islam: Bandali Jawzi's Islamic Intellectual History* (Oxford, 1996; winner of *Choice* Book of the Year award); *Comparing Religions through Law: Judaism and Islam* (with J. Neusner; Routledge 1999; named "One of the Best Books of the 1990s" by the *Journal of Law and Religion*); *Islam: A Brief History* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2010, an expanded and updated edition of *A Brief History of Islam*, Blackwell 2004); and *The Sage Handbook of Islamic Studies* (2010). Her most recent book is *The Religion Toolkit: A Complete Guide to Religious Studies* (with J. Morreall; Wiley-Blackwell, 2011). She has contributed chapters and articles to numerous books, journals, and encyclopedias; and her works have been translated into Arabic, Bengali, and Portuguese. She has lectured in North America, Europe, the Middle East, South Asia, and Africa. Her research has been supported by the American Council of Learned Societies and Fulbright, among others. She served as senior editor of the *Oxford Dictionary of Islam* (2003), and associate editor of Oxford's *Encyclopedia The Islamic World Past and Present* (2004). She is an editor of *Oxford Islamic Studies Online*, and of Oxford's *Encyclopedia of the Islamic World* (2009). Sonn is also editor-in-chief of

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