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In the past quarter, ACS hosted its 2006 National Convention in Washington, DC, bringing together progressive lawyers, law students, judges and policymakers to discuss a wide range of the most pressing issues facing our nation. The Convention, the theme of which was "Democracy and the Rule of Law," opened with [a major policy address on privacy by Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton](#) (D-NY), and ended with [closing remarks by Stanford Law Professor Pamela Karlan](#).

In addition, ACS's the *Constitution in the 21st Century* project distributed a series of issue briefs addressing a range of legal and policy topics, including "[The Prison Litigation Reform Act – a Proposal for Closing the Loophole for Rapists](#)," by Deborah Golden of the D.C. Prisoners' Legal Services Project; "[Signing Statements and the President's Authority to Refuse to Enforce the Law](#)," by Professor Neil Kinkopf of Georgia State University College of Law; [Preserving and Expanding the Right to Vote: Ranked-choice Voting](#), by David Cobb, Patrick Barrett, and Caleb Kleppner; and [Protecting LGBT Workers: Strategies for Bringing Employment Claims in the Absence of Clear Statutory Protections](#), by Katie Eyer.

The project also launched its seventh issue group, focusing on the [Religion Clauses](#) of the First Amendment.