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SAN FRANCISCO — U.S. District Court Judge Terry Hatter, who last January ruled that gay sailor Keith Meinhold's discharge from the U.S. Navy was unconstitutional, will discuss the state of the justice system (given the U.S. crime epidemic) at noon, Tuesday, Jan. 18, at Golden Gate University, 536 Mission Street. The lecture, scheduled in Auditorium A, is free and open to the public.

Judge Hatter's speech, which kicks off the spring Golden Gate University Law School African American Speakers Series, sponsored by the Helzel Family Foundation, will also address sentencing of those convicted and the effects of the justice system on minorities.

Appointed to the U.S. District Court since 1979, Honorable Terry Hatter was formerly Judge at the California Superior Court in Los Angeles. He also taught at the University of Southern California Law Center and at Loyola University. Judge Hatter received his J.D. degree from the University of Chicago Law School.

For more information on Judge Hatter's appearance or the Law School's African American Speakers Series, call Jim Kowalski, Golden Gate University School of Law's Director of Publications and Events, 415/442-6636.

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