

Contents

Acknowledgments—	ix
Introduction— <i>Julie Peters and Andrea Wolper</i>	1
Backgrounds	
1. Transforming Human Rights from a Feminist Perspective— <i>Charlotte Bunch</i>	11
2. Women's Human Rights: The Emergence of a Movement— <i>Elisabeth Friedman</i>	18
3. Women's Rights and the United Nations— <i>Elissavet Stamatopoulou</i>	36
Regional Reports	
4. Violence Against Women: The Indian Perspective— <i>Indira Jaising</i>	51
5. Legacies of Invisibility: Past Silence, Present Violence Against Women in the Former Yugoslavia— <i>Jasmina Kuzmanović</i>	57
6. The Medium Term Philippine Development Plan Toward the Year 2000: Filipino Women's Issues and Perspectives— <i>Liza Largoza-Maza</i>	62
7. Women in South Africa and the Constitution-Making Process— <i>Brigitte Mabandla</i>	67
8. After the Revolution: Violations of Women's Human Rights in Iran— <i>Akram Mirhosseini</i>	72
9. "Help Me Balance the Load": Gender Discrimination in Kenya— <i>Koki Muli</i>	78

- | | | |
|-----|--|----|
| 10. | Women's Human Rights in the United States: An Immigrant's Perspective— <i>Ilka Tanya Payan</i> | 82 |
| 11. | Women in Israel: Fighting Tradition— <i>Carmel Shalev</i> | 89 |
| 12. | The Testimony of Women Writers: The Situation of Women in China Today— <i>Zhu Hong</i> | 96 |

Gendered Law, "Public" and "Private"

- | | | |
|-----|---|-----|
| 13. | Human Rights as Men's Rights— <i>Hilary Charlesworth</i> | 103 |
| 14. | Critiquing Gender-Neutral Treaty Language: The Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women— <i>Natalie Hevener Kaufman and Stefanie A. Lindquist</i> | 114 |
| 15. | The Public/Private Distinction in International Human Rights Law— <i>Donna Sullivan</i> | 126 |
| 16. | State Discriminatory Family Law and Customary Abuses— <i>Julie Mertus</i> | 135 |
| 17. | The Human Rights of Women in the Family: Issues and Recommendations for Implementation of the Women's Convention— <i>Marsha A. Freeman</i> | 149 |

Cultural Difference

- | | | |
|-----|---|-----|
| 18. | The Politics of Gender and Culture in International Human Rights Discourse— <i>Arati Rao</i> | 167 |
| 19. | Cultural Particularism as a Bar to Women's Rights: Reflections on the Middle Eastern Experience— <i>Ann Elizabeth Mayer</i> | 176 |
| 20. | Popularizing Women's Human Rights at the Local Level: A Grassroots Methodology for Setting the International Agenda— <i>Maria Suarez Toro</i> | 189 |

Violence and Health

- | | | |
|-----|--|-----|
| 21. | Gendered War Crimes: Reconceptualizing Rape in Time of War— <i>Rhonda Copelon</i> | 197 |
| 22. | AIDS and Gender Violence: the Enslavement of Burmese Women in the Thai Sex Industry— <i>Hnin Hnin Pyne</i> | 215 |
| 23. | Female Genital Mutilation— <i>Nahid Toubia</i> | 224 |

24. Freedom Close to Home: The Impact of Violence Against Women on Reproductive Rights—*Lori L. Heise* 238
25. International Human Rights and Women's Reproductive Health—*Rebecca J. Cook* 256

Development and the Socio-Economy

26. Women's Access to Productive Resources: The Need for Legal Instruments to Protect Women's Development Rights—*Nadia H. Youssef* 279
27. Contextualizing Gender and Labor: Class, Ethnicity, and Global Politics in the Yemeni Socio-Economy—*Huda A. Seif* 289
28. Women's Rights and the Right to Development—*Rhoda E. Howard* 301

The Persecuted, The Voiceless

29. Women and the Word: The Silencing of the Feminine—*Siobhan Dowd* 317
30. Discrimination and the Tolerance of Difference: International Lesbian Human Rights—*Julie Dorf and Gloria Careaga Pérez* 324
31. Human Rights for Refugee and Displaced Women—*Sima Wali* 335
32. Where in the World is There Safety for Me?: Women Fleeing Gender-Based Persecution—*Pamela Goldberg* 345
- Conclusion—*Dorothy Q. Thomas* 356
- Contributors— 360
- Index— 367