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Firm Hosts Holocaust Museum Presentation on 'Propaganda Advancing Extremism, Then and Now'

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The firm recently hosted "Propaganda Advancing Extremism, Then and Now," a Continuing Legal Education (CLE) seminar presented by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

The March 29 program, attended by firm attorneys, legal assistants, and Holocaust Museum guests, focused on the Nazis' use of propaganda to transform a minor right-wing fringe group into the largest political party in democratic Germany. Many of these propaganda techniques are now used by ISIS and other extremist groups to attract followers.

The seminar was presented by **Dr. Edna Friedberg**, a historian at the Holocaust Museum. Dr. Friedberg explored how Nazis harnessed powerful symbolism, mass psychology, and the latest technologies to win popular support in ways that still have resonance today.

Dr. Friedberg has served as Director of the Holocaust Museum's Wexner Learning Center and as historian for the museum's online Holocaust Encyclopedia. She curated a special exhibit on the legacy of the Nuremberg trials, and regularly speaks with audiences across the country on connecting Holocaust history with social, cultural, and political issues today.

The Washington Lawyers Committee of The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum serves to strengthen support for the Museum among law firms in the Washington, DC area.