

Dear Friend,

I am very pleased to announce that Mario Joseph and the *Bureau des Avocats Internationaux (BAI)* are being honored next week.

Mario is the managing attorney of our Haitian partner, BAI, which has pioneered a [“victim centered approach”](#), designed to empower victims’ organizations and political advocacy. BAI lawyers argue in court, but they also help victims engage authorities through media advocacy, letter writing, meetings with officials and even demonstrations. The BAI office helps its clients advocate on a global level as well, reaching beyond the confines of their cases in support of the rule of law in Haiti.

In recognition of this extraordinary work, the Center for Constitutional Rights (CCR) will honor Mario Joseph and BAI at its annual celebration on June 6, 2012, in New York City. CCR is a well-respected non-profit legal and educational organization committed to the creative use of law as a positive force for social change.

This honor is especially meaningful for us as CCR has been a model for our work at IJDH and the BAI. CCR has also been a valued collaborator on several cases. This critical advocacy has been made possible by the support and encouragement of people like you.

The law has been, and will remain, a fundamental tool for solving critical human rights issues in Haiti and around the world. By contributing to IJDH and the BAI, you become an active participant. You influence key decision-makers in the public, private, and civil sectors to employ the law as a positive tool. You enable individuals and populations in Haiti to lead secure, peaceful lives.

Honor Mario and the BAI. Keep this critical grassroots advocacy alive by making a donation to IJDH/BAI today.

Sincerely,



Brian Concannon, Jr., Esq.  
Director, IJDH

**P.S.** If you are in or near New York City next week, I hope that you will join us to celebrate our collective work. This is your night too! The details are below.

# You Are Invited

## Center for Constitutional Rights' 3rd Annual *Social Justice Throwdown*

*recognizing the extraordinary work of*

### Mario Joseph and BAI Honorees



**Wednesday, June 6, 2012  
7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.**

### *Dominion NY Theater & Lounge*

428 Lafayette Street  
(btwn West 4th Street & Astor Place)  
New York City

*Featuring*

**M.A.K.U. SoundSystem**  
*with guest*  
**DJ Ian Head**

Admission: \$10 in advance; \$20 at the Door  
\*Cash Bar \* Dancing\*

To register or for more information, please visit [ccrjustice.org/throwdown](http://ccrjustice.org/throwdown)  
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