

# THE SEVENTH NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE NEW CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT

***Why the defense of Grutter v. Bollinger is essential now in order to realize the promise of Brown v. Board of education:***

**NOVEMBER 7-9, 2003**  
**AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, ANN ARBOR**

***How we can defeat the right-wing attack on civil rights through building the new civil rights movement.***

The Seventh National Conference of the New Civil Rights Movement comes at a critical juncture in the fight for equality and integration in America. The new civil rights movement is awakening more and more people to the fact of the racist segregation and inequality permeating our society and its education system. At the same time our movement is teaching people through their own experience that when you organize and you fight, you can win. Progress comes through struggle—mass action is the key.

We will be discussing and voting on a perspective for the defense of our US. Supreme Court victory in *Grutter v. Bollinger*. That defense is now the key to advancing the fight to realize the promise of *Brown v. Board of Education* – full integration and equality in American education.

We need organizers to step forward as leaders across the country. This conference will be a powerful opportunity to connect with other civil rights organizers and freedom riders from around the country.

We will begin planning for a mass civil rights march on Washington, DC to mark the 50-year anniversary of *Brown v. Board of Education* with the demand that the promise of *Brown* be realized – NOW.

***For more information and to register online:*** ■  
**[www.bamn.com/november7](http://www.bamn.com/november7)**



National March on Washington on the day of the Supreme Court hearing of the University of Michigan affirmative action cases – April 1, 2003

<b>FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2003</b>	
<b>8:30–9:30AM</b>	Registration and Welcome
<b>9:30–11:20AM</b>	<b>Plenary Session:</b> Marching for Freedom– Building the New Civil Rights Movement to Realize the Promise of <i>Brown</i> . Student & youth speak out and vote on a plan of action for the 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of <i>Brown v. Board of Education</i> . Q&A. <span style="float: right;">LOCATION: RACKHAM AUDITORIUM</span>
<b>11:20–12:00PM</b>	Lunch
<b>12:00 - 2:00PM</b>	<b>March and Rally</b> – Assemble at the University of Michigan Diag
<b>2:00–2:30PM</b>	Break, Detroit and Other Area-Wide Buses Depart
<b>2:30–4:15 PM</b>	<b>Workshops</b> <span style="float: right;">LOCATION: MASON HALL</span>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Sentries for Segregation in Education: How the SAT, MEAP and other standardized tests enforce separate and unequal. Lessons of the <i>Grutter</i> case.</li> <li>■ The new University of Michigan Undergraduate Admissions Plan: A Hands-on Workshop for High School Students</li> <li>■ Youth Uprising in East Los Angeles: How the Latino/Chicano Movement was Born. Video presentation of the documentary film “Chicano”</li> <li>■ The Struggle for Sexual Freedom and Equality: The Tasks of the New Civil Rights Movement and Lesbian/Gay Liberation</li> <li>■ Building the New Civil Rights Movement in an Election Year: Why We Can’t Subordinate Our Movement to the Democrats</li> <li>■ How to Build a BAMN Chapter</li> </ul>
<b>4:15–4:30PM</b>	Break
<b>4:30-6:15PM</b>	<b>Plenary Session</b> and Discussion: Fighting for the Rights of Undocumented Students and Workers <span style="float: right;">LOCATION: RACKHAM AUDITORIUM</span>
<b>6:15–7:30PM</b>	Dinner Break and Accommodation Arrangements
<b>7:30–9:30PM</b>	<b>Student &amp; Youth Speakout</b> – What it means to build a new civil rights movement, why we fight for integration <span style="float: right;">[LOCATION: TBA]</span>

<b>SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2003</b> <span style="float: right;">NATURAL SCIENCES AUDITORIUM [ALL DAY]</span>	
<b>8:30–9:30AM</b>	Registration, Welcome, and Introductions/Roll Call
<b>9:30–11:30AM</b>	<b>Plenary Session:</b> Report and Panel Discussion – Defending <i>Grutter v Bollinger</i> and Defeating the Right Wing Rollback of Civil Rights. Topics to be covered: Coors Boycott; Defeating Ward Connerly in Michigan & California - Our Tasks and Perspectives

<b>11:30–12:30PM</b>	Lunch Break
<b>12:30–2:30PM</b>	<b>Plenary continued</b> , discussion, Q&A
<b>2:30–2:45PM</b>	Break
<b>2:45–4:15PM</b>	<b>Workshops</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Federal Reinforcement of Separate and Unequal Education: Fighting the Resegregationist Provisions of “No Child Left Behind” and the Victory against Charter Schools in Detroit</li> <li>■ Defeating the Right-Wing Agenda for American Society: The Coors Project</li> <li>■ Defending School Integration and Defeating Proposition 209: The Berkeley, California School District Desegregation Case</li> <li>■ The U.S. Occupation of Iraq and the Tasks of the New Civil Rights Movement</li> <li>■ Bilingual/Bicultural Education: Defending the Rights of Latino, Asian Pacific American, Arab American and all Immigrant Students and Youth</li> </ul>
<b>4:15–4:30PM</b>	Break
<b>4:30–6:00PM</b>	<b>Subcommittee Meetings I:</b> Fiftieth Anniversary of <i>Brown v Board of Education</i> March on Washington, including Outreach and Publicity, Organizing and Fundraising
<b>6:00–7:30PM</b>	Dinner Break
<b>7:30-9:00PM</b>	<b>Open Mic</b>

<b>SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2003</b> <span style="float: right;">NATURAL SCIENCES AUDITORIUM [ALL DAY]</span>	
<b>8:30–9:30AM</b>	Registration and Welcome
<b>9:30–11:00AM</b>	<b>Plenary Session:</b> Plan of Action, Motivation of Resolutions
<b>11:00–1:00PM</b>	<b>Discussion and Vote</b> on Resolutions
<b>1:00–2:00PM</b>	Lunch
<b>2:00–3:30PM</b>	<b>Subcommittee Meetings II</b>
<b>3:30-4:00PM</b>	Closing
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Coalition to Defend Affirmative Action &amp; Integration, And Fight for Equality By Any Means Necessary (BAMN) <a href="http://www.bamn.com">www.bamn.com</a> * <a href="mailto:letters@bamn.com">letters@bamn.com</a></li> <li>■ See conference webpage for more information: <a href="http://www.bamn.com/november7/">http://www.bamn.com/november7/</a></li> </ul>