## The Western New England University School of Law Center for Social Justice Presents:

## How I Survived Four Decades in Solitary Confinement



## **Albert Woodfox**

**AUTHOR AND CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST National Book Award Finalist** 

## Wednesday November 13 2019

12:00 noon Law Commons Albert Woodfox is one of the Angola 3, a trio of young Black men incarcerated at Louisiana's infamous Angola prison, a former slave plantation. The Angola 3 were framed on murder charges by prison officials and held in solitary confinement after they organized to expose Angola Prison's racism, corruption, and horrific prisoner abuses. Woodfox, held in solitary confinement for 44 years, was finally released in 2016 after his conviction had been overturned three times.

Woodfox's book, *Solitary* has been shortlisted for a National Book Award. Woodfox has made a lifelong commitment to continue his activism and advocacy on behalf of all those wrongfully imprisoned and whose civil rights have been abused by the U.S. criminal justice system. As a former member of the Black Panther Party he hopes to be a voice for the voiceless who are suffering under brutal prison conditions.

Woodfox will be speaking with his defense attorney, George Kendall, one of the nation's leading capital defenders and civil rights attorneys. Kendall is a lecturer at Columbia Law School and director of its Squire Sanders' Public Service Initiative.

Join us for this inspiring speaker.



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