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**RUTGERS' BILDNER CENTER LECTURE
EXPLORES THE ISRAELI CONSTITUTION**

NEW BRUNSWICK/PISCATAWAY, N.J. – Israel is currently undergoing a heated debate about its legal system. Amnon Rubinstein, a leading scholar of Israeli law and prominent public figure, will examine the historical roots of the debate, its recent surge, and possible solutions in his talk “Israel’s Constitution: Does it Exist?” the 2007 Ruth and Alvin Rockoff Annual Lecture sponsored by the Allen and Joan Bildner Center for the Study of Jewish Life at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey.

The lecture will take place Thursday, October 25, 7:30 p.m., in Traves Hall, Douglass College Center, 100 George Street, New Brunswick. The program is free and open to the public; Advance registration is requested.

Amnon Rubinstein is a writer, public commentator, former member of the Israeli Knesset, and a former minister in several Israeli governments from the mid-1980s to the mid-1990s. Rubinstein, lauded as the “father of constitutional law in Israel,” was awarded the prestigious Israel Prize in 2006. He has authored important legislation and several key books on Israeli law and society, including *Constitutional Law of Israel* and *From Herzl to Rabin: The Changing Image of Zionism*.

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