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An internationally recognized legal scholar and commentator on human rights, Professor Lewis authored numerous articles and co-authored the seminal textbook Human Rights and the Global Marketplace: Economic, Social, and Cultural Dimensions (Brill, 2005). Apart from her impressive scholarship and passionate activism, Professor Lewis was well known for her commitment to her teaching and to her students. In recognition of her extensive work in mentoring students and colleagues, she was awarded the 2001 Haywood Burns/Shanara Gilbert Award at the Northeast Regional People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference and the 2012 American Bar Association’s Mayre Rasmussen Award for the Advancement of Women in International Law. Legally blind, she was also a recipient of the 2011 Thomas J. Carroll Award for Employment from the Carroll Center for the Blind and the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind.

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