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EDUCATION

THE FLETCHER SCHOOL OF LAW AND DIPLOMACY

Medford, MA

LL.M. Master of Laws in International Law, Inaugural LL.M. Class

May 2009

National Organization of Italian American Women, Hon. Geraldine Ferraro Scholarship

Thesis: The Constitution-Making Process in Iraq, Advisor: Professor Louis Aucoin, UN Deputy SRSF Liberia

Mediation Practicum, Certificate in Mediation, Mediation Works Incorporated, and The Fletcher School

CORNELL LAW SCHOOL

Ithaca, NY

Juris Doctor, Specialization in International Legal Affairs

May 1999

Cornell International Law Journal, Lead Symposium Editor

First Place, Langfan Family First Year Moot Court Competition

Semi-Finalist, Winter Cup Upperclass Moot Court Competition

Moot Court Board, Vice-Chancellor (Internal Competitions)

Women's Law Coalition, Co-Facilitator

Public Interest Law Union Cabaret, Co-Chairperson

U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, APPELLATE DIVISION

Portland, ME

Cornell Law School Externship Program

Fall Semester 1998

Drafted motions in response to *habeas corpus* petitions and second-chaired hearings before the First Circuit. Researched and drafted legal memoranda on federal sentencing guidelines and ineffective assistance of counsel claims.

CORNELL LAW SCHOOL- UNIVERSITÉ DE PARIS I (PANTHEON-SORBONNE) Paris, France

Summer Institute of International and Comparative Law, European Union Law

Summer 1997

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT ALBANY

Albany, NY

B.A. English Literature Honors Program, *magna cum laude*

December 1992

Lesbian Gay Bisexual Alliance (Interim Co-Facilitator)

University Chorale, alto (performances with the Albany, Schenectady and Catskill Symphony Orchestras)

HIGHER EDUCATION EXPERIENCE

VISTA LAW COACHING

Natick, MA

Founder

December 2023 - present

Teaching US bar examination subjects through individualized strategy plans for JD and LLM students in UBE jurisdictions, significantly improving bar examination success over several exam administrations, including first-time and multiple-time takers.

BOSTON COLLEGE LAW SCHOOL

Newton, MA

Adjunct Professor, Director, Graduate Legal Education and International Programs

August 2013 - Feb 2022

Member, Diversity and Inclusion Task Force

April 2020- 2021

Member, International Engagement Committee

December 2019- 2021

Course: Introduction to the U.S. Legal System

Fall 2013 to 2021

Instructed LLM and exchange students on core principles of U.S. Constitutional Law, New York Product Liability Tort law, and Standards of Professional Responsibility, including analysis and development of memoranda of law for closed and open research and writing projects.

Course: Legal Research and Writing for LLM Master Students/Law Practice I

Fall 2014-2018

Instructed LLM and exchange students on the fundamentals of U.S. legal research, memorandum drafting, and approaches to addressing legal problems with clients, including open and closed research, memoranda drafting projects, and oral arguments at appellate level practice.

Program: International Programs and Graduate Legal Education

Directed and coordinated Boston College Law School's international programs, including the law master's program (LL.M.), the Visiting Scholars Program, and Boston College University level and Law School level exchange programs.

Developed and supported Global Initiatives at the Law School, including collaboration with the Dean of the Law School, the Dean of Faculty, and the Associate Dean of Global Initiatives to develop partnerships with the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court and the Chilean Constitutional Court, and universities and legal institutions in Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, France, Germany, Peru, Turkey, and Uzbekistan.

Developed training for Judges, Prosecutors, and Lawyers in Uzbekistan through NGO Regional Dialogue and DOS and DOJ DEA.

Drafted ABA Resolution 10B and the Supporting Brief on the Unlawful Detention of Judges and Prosecutors

Managed the Visiting Scholars Program for International Prosecutors, Judges, Professors, and PhD candidates

Developed the 5th Annual Dean's Meeting of International Law Schools

Provided academic and co-curricular support, providing mentoring and support to students and Professors (internally and externally)

Developed marketing and advertising strategies, revised our website, and supervised the program budget.

Program: BC Law Summer Institute: Foundations of U.S. Law and Practice

Assisted in the strategic development of, and teaching in, a summer program preparing future students, faculty, judges, prosecutors, and students on the foundations of the U.S. legal system, including an explanation of the federal/state systems, role of the branches of government, and an introduction to the U.S. common law, including as a case study, the legal analysis and research principles for an international case introduced in a federal diversity suit in the federal district court in the S.D.N.Y., subsequently brought by appeal to the 2nd Circuit.

THE FLETCHER SCHOOL OF LAW AND DIPLOMACY

Medford, MA

Program Director, LL.M. Master of Laws in International Law

November 2009 – June 2013

Managed and developed an international law master's program, including establishing an Advisory Council, provided academic and co-curricular support, created and organized symposia, and organized and managed the LL.M. Capstone symposium in Talloires, France with legal experts from the Hague, Geneva, and Paris, managed admissions and recruited applicants, attended DC and NY career trips and provided mentoring advice, traveled extensively throughout Europe to market and recruit for the program, hired a marketing consultant and launched marketing initiatives, developed marketing and advertising strategies, revised the website, launched a partnership with the International Law Students Association and organized the Panel of Compromis Authors Final Round Lunch (a 450 person sponsorship event), and supervised the program budget.

Lecturer, ILO 270m: International Legal Research, Writing and Oral Advocacy

2010, 2011

Instructed law and non-law students to conduct internet-based international law research, write a memorandum of law engaging in an analysis of existing treaty, custom, and judicial rulemaking as well as policy considerations, and make an oral presentation before a bench of the legal and policy positions taken in the memorandum of law.

Coach, Philip C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition

2010, 2011

Coached students for an international moot court competition, including brief writing and presenting oral arguments to an international court of justice on international law issues including public international law, international human rights law, and international business law.

APPOINTMENTS

US Department of State Fulbright Specialist Program

Fulbright Specialist Roster Member

December 20, 2024- December 20, 2027

PANELS AND GUEST SPEAKERS

"Executive Power in Latin America"

Newton, MA October 2017

Organized panelists and presented the themes of executive power with guest speakers from PUC Chile (Santiago), PU Javeriana (Bogotá), Universidad Andrés Bello (Caracas), and UnB (Brasília) examining the phenomena of the shifting of the balance of power among branches of government and executive action.

Justice and Vice President of the Supreme Court of Israel, Elyakim Rubenstein

Newton, MA, November 2017

Organized and provided introductory remarks opening the Hon. Rubenstein on his reflections on the work of the Supreme Court of Israel and the vision of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

SYMPOSIA

“From a Culture of Violence to a Culture of Peace”

Medford, MA
March 10, 2010

Supervised the creation of an Interdisciplinary Roundtable discussion on approaches to the root causes of conflict and peace from the perspective of religion, human rights, security, international organizations, and business.

“Global Legal Compliance and Risk Management Strategies for Japanese and Asian Corporations”

Medford, MA
November 5, 2010

Assisted in organizing topic themes, supervised the creation of panels, and provided input on guest speakers; served as a liaison between the LLM Program, the Consul General of Japan, K&L Gates, the Hitachi Center, and Waseda University.

“Reactivating US-Japan Relations in a Changing Asia”

Washington, DC
February 9, 2011

Assisted in organizing topic themes, served as a liaison between the Fletcher School, K&L Gates, the Hitachi Center, and the US-Japan Research Institute.

World Economic Forum: *“Tackling Global Challenges Through International Law”*

Medford, MA
April 29, 2011

Organized the law panel and strategized the thematic discussion on rethinking state sovereignty; moderated the closing session panel and invited guest speakers.

WEBINARS

The Global Covid Crisis in the U.S. and Brazil

March 2020-June 2020

Twelve-part webinar series with Brazilian Constitutional Law Professor Pedro Lenza, in Portuguese and English

Lex Latinx en Verano

July 2020

Six-part webinar series with Constitutional Law Professor Daniela Urosa, on diverse topics of constitutional law, human rights, and the rule of law, in Spanish and English

Rule of Law in the US and Latin America

September 2020

Week-long program on Rule of Law topics of interest in the InterAmerican Court of Human Rights

INTERNATIONAL LECTURES

Centro De Estudios de Actualización en Derecho (CEAD)

Online to Mexico, October 2022

“El Precedente Judicial”

Universidade Católica de Pernambuco

Pernambuco, Brazil, November 2021

“Desafios Contemporâneos de Acesso À Justiça E Suas Múltiplas Dimensões” in Portuguese

Universidad Católica de Pernambuco

Online to Brazil, July 2020

“Acceso a la Justicia: The US Supreme Court DACA Decision and Protection of Immigrants” in Portuguese and English

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Argentina

Buenos Aires, Argentina October 2020

“El Marco Constitucional de los Estados Unidos” in Spanish

Pontificia Universidad Javeriana

Bogota, Colombia, November 2019

“El Poder Ejecutivo Estadounidense” in Spanish

Universidade de Sao Paulo

São Paulo, Brazil 2018

“Rule of Law in Authoritarian Systems” in Portuguese

Universidad de San Pablo en Arequipa

Arequipa, Peru, March 2017

“El Sistema Constitucional Estadounidense, en el Poder Ejecutivo” in Spanish

Bocconi University

Milan, Italy 2010

“International Treaties in the US Legal Framework: Significance in Domestic Legal Authority” in Italian

PUBLICATIONS

Fake Democracy: The Internet Against Constitutional Democracy, Prof. Gustavo Ferreira Santos, Tirant lo blanch Brasil 2020

Wrote the forward to the book Fake Democracy, which examined the influence of the internet on democracy and rule of law. The book was nominated for the Premio Jabuti in Brazil.

Amicus Curiae, Caso Azul Rojas v. Republic of Perú

October 2019

Led a legal team on the first transgender human rights case in the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, creating a legal precedent on the concept of revictimization, in Spanish.

ABA Report and Resolution 10B

San Francisco, CA, August 2016

Susan Simone Kang, Kevin Curtin, Kathleen Hamill, co-authors

Supports the independence of the judiciary and the legal profession and opposes any nation’s detention of individuals without charge or access to counsel

UN Human Rights Council Petition, Caso Sairam Rivas v. Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela October 2014

Led the petition in support of the arbitrary detention of student body President, Sairam Rivas, before the United Nations Human Rights Council

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

Harvard Law School Ames Moot Court Competition

Cambridge, MA

Judge, Qualifying Round

2006, 2008, 2010

Judged law students’ oral advocacy skills and reviewed written briefs, provided advice on best practices and practical approaches to oral and written advocacy.

Harvard Law School PROBLEM-SOLVING WORKSHOP

Cambridge, MA

Volunteer practitioner instructor

January 2010, 2011

Reviewed a student memorandum project involving legal and ethical issues; provided feedback on students’ oral presentation skills and fine-tuned problem-solving options.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Tufts University Academic Leadership Development

Spring 2013

Attended specialized training for academics leading in administrative capacities, with participation from Tufts and Brandeis Universities.

LAW PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Licensed attorney in Massachusetts (1999), Connecticut (2000), and New York (2001).

Member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association

MORENO LAW

Boston, MA

Legal Counsel

July 2021-December 2023

Preparation and representation of clients before the EOIR and USCIS on asylum, adjustment of status, 601A Waivers, cancellation of removal, SJV, U Visa, and NVC visa processing cases, and MA Family and Probate proceedings for unaccompanied minors. Appeared before the Boston Immigration Court for Individual and Master Hearings. Prepared Memoranda of Law and Motions in the EOIR setting and in BIA appeals processes.

GOULSTON & STORRS, P.C.

Boston, MA

Associate, Corporate Department

January 2008-August 2008

Negotiated and drafted revolving credit and term loan agreements for acquisition financing, asset-based, and cash-flow lending. Advised clients on private equity investments, licensing agreements, and corporate governance compliance.

GREENBERG TRAURIG, LLP*Associate, Corporate/Bankruptcy Departments**Member, Hiring Committee**Associate Mentor, Business Challenge*

Negotiated and drafted revolving credit, term loan agreements, and asset purchase agreements securing collateral in the U.K., Italy, France, Germany, Switzerland, Luxembourg, and Brazil; negotiated and drafted supply agreements for a U.S. company purchaser of Italian products and services; provided advice for the corporate maintenance of the U.S. subsidiary of a Spanish parent company.

Boston, MA

May 2005 – January 2008

BROWN RUDNICK BERLACK ISRAELS, LLP*Associate, Banking & Finance Department**Member, Hiring Committee**Member, Banking & Finance Knowledge Management Committee*

Drafted appeals brief and prepared oral argument for the First Circuit Court of Appeals regarding the abduction of children from the Republic of Ireland in the application of the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction, *pro bono*; negotiated and drafted asset purchase agreements for the sale of the European, Middle East and African assets of a company in bankruptcy.

Boston, MA

September 1999 – May 2005

NON-PROFIT EXPERIENCE**Town of Natick Planning Board**

March 2019- December 2021

REMAP (Racial Equity Municipal Action Plan)

Dec. 2020-December 2021

Participated in racial equity training to support improvements to the management of Town of Natick systems and cultivating a culture of inclusion and belonging both internally and externally.

Reviewed and voted on matters appearing before the Board, including special permitting and conformance with the Natick 2030 Plan.

National Association of Women MBAs

Boston Professional Chapter President

May 2015-May 2017

Executive Vice President

May 2014-May 2015

Vice President, Administration

May 2013-May 2014

Provide leadership and direction for programming, development, and community engagement; led board meetings, and Chapter events.

Mediation Works Incorporated Boston, MA

June 2009- November 2009

Mediator in Boston-area district courts; attended advanced summary process mediation training.

Summer of Opportunity

Boston, MA, August 2009

Taught conflict management and mediation skills to at-risk high school youth in the Boston area, sponsored by Hancock/Manulife and the Boston Police Foundation.

Citizen Schools/Discovering Justice

Boston, MA

Civic Education Volunteer Teacher

2000, 2004-2008

Member, Citizen Schools Task Force

2006, 2007

Member, Citizen Schools Legal Committee

2007

Member, Legal Apprenticeship Program Advisory Committee

2007, 2008

Advocated funding support from national program sponsors, participated in the Task Force to expand student apprenticeships and participated in the Legal Committee in developing industry contacts and fundraising through the annual Wow Affair.

Developed lesson plans and curricula for the Washington Irving Middle School (Roxbury, Massachusetts) using experiential teaching techniques to inspire students to understand the U.S. legal system and to independently conduct trials before sitting Massachusetts Federal and State Court Judges.

Instructed attorneys and national volunteers on a best-practices teaching approach and related advocacy and teaching techniques.

Kerry-Edwards Campaign

Broward County, FL

November 2004

Legal compliance observer at the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center in Hollywood, Florida (Broward County) on Election Day 2004. Filed incident reports and liaised with Florida attorney advisors at headquarters to provide on-the-ground assistance to voters.

LANGUAGES

English (Native)

Italian (Native)

Spanish (Proficient)

French (Intermediate)

Portuguese (Intermediate)