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EDUCATION

- GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER** Juris Doctor, 1994
Ford Foundation Fellow
Managing Editor, *Law and Policy in International Business*
(since renamed *Georgetown Journal of International Law*)
- GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY** Master of Science, 1994
SCHOOL OF FOREIGN SERVICE
- UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA** B.A., Russian and East European
AT CHAPEL HILL Area Studies, 1988

LEGAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF LAW August 2001-Present
FOUNDING DIRECTOR, FARMWORKER LEGAL AID CLINIC
- Direct clinic in which students provide civil legal services and know-your-rights outreach presentations to migrant agricultural workers. Teach lawyering seminar, including classes in various areas of law relevant to the clinic. Created interdisciplinary program for undergraduate students to provide interpretation and research services to the Farmworker Clinic for credit. Advise Latin American Law Students Association and serve on Inclusiveness Commission.
- GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD**
TUTOR Summer 2005
- Taught “Human Rights Advocacy and Dissemination” for the Summer Programme in International Human Rights Law.
- WASHINGTON COLLEGE OF LAW, AMERICAN UNIVERSITY**
PRACTITIONER-IN-RESIDENCE July 1998 – July 2001
- Recipient of three-year teaching fellowship at International Human Rights Law Clinic teaching lawyering seminar and supervising students handling asylum and removal cases before Immigration Judges and the Board of Immigration Appeals, habeas corpus litigation in federal district court, and petitions before the Inter-American and African Commissions on Human Rights. Designed and taught LLM externship seminar entitled “Lawyering Across Cultures.” Taught seminar on “Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.” Guest lectured in other law school courses. Assisted with developing initiative on gender in the Indian legal curriculum.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

CENTRE ON HOUSING RIGHTS AND EVICTIONS

CONSULTANT

Summer 2000

Wrote guide to human rights advocacy with the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.

LAWYERS COMMITTEE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

STAFF ATTORNEY

January 1995 – July 1998

Directed Washington asylum representation program. Represented asylum seekers and supervised asylum representation program caseload of 200 active cases, interviewing and screening indigent asylum seekers, recruiting, training and supervising volunteer counsel in area law firms. Designed training course on asylum and detention advocacy. Developed funding proposals. Promoted U.S. government's adherence to international treaties through administrative and legislative advocacy. Conducted media and community outreach. Managed government liaison for a national network of asylum rights advocates.

D.C. COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

CONSULTANT

Fall 1994

Wrote guide for agencies seeking Violence Against Women Act funding.

COMISIÓN ANDINA DE JURISTAS, LIMA OFFICE

FORD FOUNDATION FELLOW

Summer 1993

Monitored legislative revisions of Peruvian constitution. Researched U.S. and Peruvian systems of judicial nomination, death penalty legislation and referenda.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT LIBRARY

RESEARCH INTERN

1991 - 1993

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Charting the Course of A New Internationalist Legal Movement in the United States: Lessons from the Past for Unauthorized Immigrant Worker Rights (in progress).

New International Standards on Unauthorized Immigrant Worker Rights: Seizing an Opportunity to Pull Governments out of the Shadows, in HUMAN RIGHTS, REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS IN PROCESS: ESSAYS IN HONOUR OF JOAN FITZPATRICK AND ARTHUR HELTON (Brill Academic Publishers, 2005) (book chapter).

Farm Workers in Illinois: Law Reforms and Opportunities for the Legal Academy to Protect Some of the State's Most Disadvantaged Workers, 29 S. ILL. U. L.J. 263 (2005) (essay).

Inter-American Developments on Globalization's Refugees: New Rights for Migrant Workers and Their Families, 3 EUR. Y.B. OF MINORITY RTS. 63 (2003-2004) (with Sarah Paoletti).

When More "Security" Equals Less Workplace Safety: Reconsidering U.S. Laws that Disadvantage Unauthorized Workers, 6 U. PA. J. LAB. EMP. L. 571 (2004).

The Inter-American Court of Human Rights Defines Unauthorized Migrant Workers' Rights for the Hemisphere: A Comment on Advisory Opinion 18, 28 N.Y.U. REV. L. & SOC. CHANGE 547 (2003-04).

Discourse in Development: A Post-Colonial "Agenda" for the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, 10 AM. U. J. GENDER SOC. POL'Y & L. 535 (2003).

Inter-American Court of Human Rights Amicus Curiae Brief: The United States Violates International Law When Labor Law Remedies Are Restricted Based on Workers' Migrant Status, 1 SEATTLE J. SOC. JUST. 795 (2003) (with Sarah Cleveland and Rebecca Smith).

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

Lecturer, *Students Using Law and Language to Fight for Immigrants' Rights*, St. Joseph's University, December 6, 2005.

Moderator, *Multi-Level Global Governance in International Criminal Law Enforcement: The ICTY and the State Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina*, Delaware Valley International Law Day, Temple University School of Law, October 30, 2005.

Moderator, *Infusing LatCrit Praxis Across Multiple Educational Settings: Interrogating Economic and Social (In)Justice Through Schooling, Politics, and Pedagogy*, Tenth Annual LatCrit Conference: Critical Approaches to Economic In/justice, October 8, 2005.

Presenter, *On Scholarship: What to Write, How to Finish*, Third Annual LatCrit Junior Faculty Workshop, October 7, 2005.

Trainer, DePaul Law School Community Development Externship Orientation and Training Program, June 3, 2005.

Panelist, *Comparative Aspects of Unauthorized Immigrant Worker Rights*, Symposium on Human Rights and Refugees, Internally Displaced Persons and Migrant Workers: in Honor of Joan Fitzpatrick and Arthur Helton, Metropolitan College and Touro Law School, January 16, 2005.

Presented draft book chapter, *Latino/Latina Critical Theory South-North Exchange*, Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico Facultad de Derecho, December 10, 2004.

Presented draft book chapter, Rutgers University School of Law at Camden faculty through the Junior Faculty Exchange, November 29, 2004.

Presented draft book chapter, Delaware Valley International Law Day, Temple University School of Law, October 30, 2004.

Panelist, *The Importance of Service to Rural Minority Communities: Constructing a Rural Clinic*, George Washington University School of Law National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, October 8, 2004.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND HONORS

Association of American Law Schools

AALS Section on International Human Rights

2003-2004 Chair, Executive Committee Member since 2002

AALS Section on Clinical Legal Education

Recipient of the Shanara Gilbert Emerging Clinician Award, 2003

Society of American Law Teachers

Clinical Legal Education Association

American Society of International Law

Pennsylvania Bar Association

District of Columbia Bar Association

D.C. Bar Immigration and Human Rights Committee, 1997-2000 Chair

New York State Bar Association

Bar, U.S. District Courts for the District of Columbia and Eastern Pennsylvania

American Bar Association

National Lawyers Guild

American Immigration Lawyers Association

AILA Baltimore Immigration Court Committee, 2000-2001

Global Workers Justice Alliance, Board President

Latina and Latino Critical Theory, Board Secretary

LANGUAGES: Highly proficient Spanish, basic French, rudimentary Russian.

REFERENCES: Upon request.