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### **EDUCATION:**

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, Los Angeles, California, United States

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), Politics and International Relations, May 2010 (Expected)

- Fields of concentration: Comparative Politics, Law and Public Policy, and Organizational Theory
- Doctoral Dissertation Title: “Transnational Actors and the Process of Judicial Reform and Democratization”<sup>1</sup>

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY, BOALT SCHOOL OF LAW, Berkeley, California, United States

Master of Law (LL.M.), May 2009

- *Berkeley Journal of International Law*: Assistant Editor, Submissions Committee
- Master’s Thesis Title: “Towards a New Formulation of Customary International Law in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century”

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, COLLEGE OF LAW, Champaign, Illinois, United States

Juris Doctor (J.D.), August 2004

- Dean’s List, Fall 2002
- Student Bar Association: Faculty Committee Student Representative (Graduate and International Studies Committee)
- International Human Rights Clinic: Student Practitioner

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SAN DIEGO, San Diego, California, United States

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Political Science & History; Minor in English Literature, December 2000

- Provost’s Honors: Fall 1998, Winter 1999, Spring 1999, Spring 2000

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY, Malibu, California, United States

Adjunct Professor, School of Law (August 2007 – Present)

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<sup>1</sup> Dissertation Committee: Professor Robert English (School of International Relations), Professor John Barnes (Department of Political Science), Professor Jeffrey Sellers (Department of Political Science), Professor Robert Myrtle (School of Policy, Planning, & Development)

- Taught the following self-designed course(s): Law 285201: International Criminal Law (Fall 2007)
- Areas of Expertise: Comparative Law (constitutional, criminal), Criminal Law, International Law, International Criminal Law, Law & Public Policy, Socio-Legal Studies
- Assisted in student advising and curriculum development in areas of expertise

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, Los Angeles, California, United States

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science (August 2005 – Present)

- Assisted in the following courses: Political Science 130g: Law, Politics, and Public Policy (Fall 2005, Spring 2006, Fall 2007, Spring 2008); Political Science 100: Theory and Practice of American Democracy (Fall 2006); Political Science 110: Ideology and Political Conflict (Spring 2007)
- Led weekly class sections where students were assisted in understanding the basic themes of the course in question, and provided with the opportunity to interact with the ideas raised by the course in a setting smaller than the lecture hall
- Held weekly office hours where students could come with questions on material raised in the course and gain assistance on a one to one basis

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Belgrade, Serbia

Legal Associate, Office of the Resident Legal Advisor (October 2003 – July 2005)

- Helped facilitate regional cooperation and create witness protection, legal assistance, and training programs
- Monitored and reported on war crimes trials taking place in domestic Serbian courts
- Drafted confidential cables to State Department headquarters (in Washington D.C.) outlining the nature of the Serbian political establishments attitude towards the reformation of the country's legal system, and the status of the Serbian Government's cooperation with the ICTY (International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia)

OFFICE OF THE HON. SENATOR JOHN LYNCH-STAUNTON (Leader of the Opposition in the Senate), Ottawa, Canada

Legal Researcher, Senate Opposition Research Office (May 2003 – August 2003)

- Worked in the Senate Opposition Office as a Researcher in the Justice, Solicitor General, Privacy Commissioner, and Intergovernmental Affairs policy areas
- Analyzed new legislation and policy initiatives, prepared précis of legislation, and researched and wrote questions for use of the Members of the Opposition in the Senate Chamber
- Followed and subsequently provided commentary upon legislation as it proceeded through detailed examination at the Committee stage

SUPERIOR COURT OF SAN DIEGO, SOUTH COUNTY, San Diego, California, United States

Mediator (June 2002 – August 2002)

- Aided disputants (in small claims division) exchange relevant evidence

- Mediated claims between willing disputants (in small claims division) in attempt to help them reach a mutually acceptable resolution to their dispute, thereby avoiding a court imposed judgment
- Drafted valid judicially enforceable agreements between willing disputants outlining the terms they had agreed to in the course of mediation

## **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:**

LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT, COMMUNITY POLICE ADVISORY BOARD, Los Angeles, California, United States

Member (May 2007 – August 2008)

- Meet monthly with district area Commanding Police Officers (CPBs) in order to discuss crime and quality of life issues in the district
- Acted as a conduit between the district area Police Officers and the district area residents

THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE (O.S.C.E.), Belgrade, Serbia

Election Monitor (November 2003)

- Monitored the Serbian presidential election of November 16, 2003 on behalf of the O.S.C.E.
- Examined various polling stations in my assigned constituency, in order to observe and note if all relevant procedures (under domestic Serbian law) were being followed, and to document any observed irregularities

PARTY OF REVOLUTIONARY DEMOCRACY (P.R.D.), Tijuana, Mexico

Volunteer (February 1996 – June 1997)

- Spearheaded outreach campaign aimed at Mexican citizens living in Southern California
- Partook in election day canvasses

## **PUBLICATIONS <sup>2</sup>:**

### Published

“Universal Jurisdiction and the Case of Belgium: A Critical Assessment,” *ILSA Journal of International and Comparative Law*, (Vol. 16, No. 1), Pps. x-x (forthcoming Spring 2010).

“Towards a New Transitional Justice Model: Assessing the Serbian Case,” *San Diego International Law Journal*, (Vol. 11, No. 1), Pps. x-x (forthcoming Fall 2009).

“Balancing Competing Priorities: Affirmative Action in the United States and Canada,” *Journal of Transnational Law and Contemporary Problems*, (Vol. 18, No. 3), Pps. 527-543 (Fall 2009).

“Racial Formation in Quebec: A Legal Retrospective,” *Journal of Law in Society*, (Vol. 10, No. 1), Pps. 1-30 (Fall 2008).

“Proportionality in the Criminal Law: The Differing American versus Canadian Approaches to Punishment,” *University of Miami Inter-American Law Review*, (Vol. 39, No. 3), Pps. 483-502 (Spring-Summer 2008).

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<sup>2</sup> Downloadable copies of all publications available at: [http://works.bepress.com/roozbeh\\_rudy\\_baker/](http://works.bepress.com/roozbeh_rudy_baker/)

### Under Peer-Review

“Customary International Law in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Old Challenges and New Debates” (under peer -review for possible publication in *The European Journal of International Law*).

“Competing Master Frames in Social Movements: Can a Failure to Bridge Still Allow for Success?” (under peer-review for possible publication in *Law & Social Inquiry*).

“The Charter as an Independent Variable: Rethinking Epp’s Rights Revolution” (under peer-review for possible publication in the *Canadian Journal of Political Science*).

“The New Institutionalism and International Relations” (under peer-review for possible publication in *International Studies Quarterly*).

### **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION:**

2008 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CANADIAN POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada (June 4-6, 2008)

- Presenter: “The Enshrinement of Rights: Courts and Constitutional Power in Canada”

AFTER YUGOSLAVIA: A SYMPOSIUM FOR SCHOLARS & PRACTITIONERS, Los Angeles, California, United States (Sponsored by the University of Southern California) (March 30-31, 2006)

- Presenter: “Beyond the ICTY: The Role of the Serbian Special Court for War Crimes”

2006 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WESTERN POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION, Albuquerque, New Mexico, United States (March 16-18, 2006)

- Presenter: “Judicial Independence and Democratization in Serbia”

WAR CRIMES COORDINATING COMMITTEE ROUND TABLE, Belgrade, Serbia (Sponsored by the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe) (April 6, 2004)

- Presenter: “Current War Crimes Assistance Projects Being Undertaken by the U.S. Embassy-Belgrade Resident Legal Advisor’s Office”

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION, Washington D.C., United States  
Member (November 2002 – Present)

AUSTRALIAN FABIAN SOCIETY, Melbourne, Australia  
Member (July 1995 – Present)

### **LANGUAGES:**

Persian (fluent); Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian (fluent); French (proficient); Hebrew (literate)

### **SECURITY CLEARANCE**

Secret Level, United States Department of State (January 2003)

## REFERENCES FOR ROOZBEH (RUDY) B. BAKER

### References

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