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EDUCATION

J.D., 1988
Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA

Honors: Cum Laude

B.A., Political Science, 1985
Yale University, New Haven, CT

Honors: Magna Cum Laude, Distinction in the Major

EMPLOYMENT

Seattle University School of Law, Seattle, WA 8/99-present
2003-present Associate Professor (tenured 2005)
1999-2003 Assistant Professor

Teach first year torts course and upper level courses in U.S. environmental law, international environmental law, hazardous waste and toxics regulation, and international trade law. Faculty advisor to the Environmental Law Society and to the Latino/a Law Student Association.

Hopkins-Nanjing Center for Chinese and American Studies 9/08-6/09
Nanjing, China (& Spring 2007)
Visiting Professor

Taught international environmental law, international trade law, jurisprudence, and introduction to the U.S. legal system to English-speaking Chinese graduate students in Nanjing, China. Served as thesis advisor to four Chinese students completing master's theses in international and comparative law. The Hopkins-Nanjing Center is a joint academic venture between Johns Hopkins University and Nanjing University.

Supreme Court Fellows Program, Washington, DC
Supreme Court Fellow

8/04–7/05

Served as one of four Supreme Court Fellows selected by a panel of distinguished lawyers and judges appointed by the Chief Justice. Conducted research and participated in special projects in support of the work of the federal judiciary and of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Rutgers University School of Law, Camden, NJ
Visiting Professor

Spring 2004

Taught upper level environmental law course and hazardous waste and toxics regulation course. Organized environmental law film series in collaboration with the Rutgers Environmental Law Society, and served as judge for environmental law moot court oral arguments.

Civic Education Project, Chisinau, Moldova
Visiting Professor

Spring 1999

Taught international environmental law course at the State University of Moldova. Organized simulation-based exercises for students and professors on the negotiation of international agreements.

Fulbright Scholar Program, Buenos Aires, Argentina
Visiting Professor

Fall 1998

Taught international environmental law course in Spanish at the Universidad del Salvador in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Delivered lectures on U.S. environmental law and international environmental law at universities in Buenos Aires, Tucuman and Santiago del Estero, Argentina.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, San Francisco, CA
Assistant Regional Counsel

6/94-8/98

Provided legal counsel on federal environmental laws, including Superfund and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. Handled a wide variety of environmental cases, ranging from emergency removal of hazardous substances to cleanups of large, complex groundwater contamination sites. Worked on EPA team addressing U.S.-Mexican border environmental matters, and taught EPA's "Principles of Environmental Enforcement" course in Spanish in Mexico City and in Santiago, Chile. Provided advice to

Argentine environmental officials in connection with the remediation of a major industrial site near Buenos Aires, Argentina.

American Bar Association/Central and East European Law Initiative,
Environmental Law Specialist, Lviv and Kharkiv, Ukraine 5/96-5/97
(while on leave of absence from EPA)

Served as consultant to two Ukrainian public interest law firms that provide legal representation to Ukrainian citizens and environmental organizations on a variety of environmental law matters. Helped establish the first clinical legal education course in Ukraine. Organized and participated in seminars and conferences on environmental enforcement for Ukrainian prosecutors, judges, and environmental ministry officials.

Pacific Gas and Electric Co., San Francisco, CA 2/91-6/94
Attorney

Transactional practice with emphasis on contract drafting, review and negotiation. Negotiated consulting contracts, contracts for goods and services, and software development and licensing agreements. Provided advice and counsel on a variety of matters, such as corporate governance, copyright, and insurance, including directors and officers liability insurance. Practice also included litigation before the California Public Utilities Commission.

Pillsbury, Madison & Sutro, San Francisco, CA 10/89-1/91
Attorney

Litigation associate with emphasis on environmental matters. Took and defended depositions. Drafted substantive as well as discovery motions. Individually responsible for four pro bono cases. Practice included some corporate experience.

U.S. District Court, San Francisco, CA 9/88-9/89
Law Clerk to Judge Thelton E. Henderson

Assisted in all aspects of civil and criminal proceedings, including performance of legal research, preparation of bench memoranda, composition of draft legal opinions, and observation and assistance at trials and hearings. Recruited and supervised law student interns.

PUBLICATIONS

Law Review Articles

Squatters, Pirates, and Entrepreneurs: Is Informality the Solution to the Urban Housing Crisis?, 40 U. Miami Inter-Am. L. Rev. 239 (2009).

Environmental Impact Assessment in Post-Colonial Societies: Reflections on the Proposed Expansion of the Panama Canal, 4. Tenn. J. Law & Pol'y 303 (2008).

Genetically Modified Organisms and Justice: the International Environmental Justice Implications of Biotechnology, 19 Geo. Int'l Env'tl. L. Rev 583 (2007), excerpted in Global Issues in Environmental Law (West Group 2009).

Deconstructing the Mythology of Free Trade: Critical Reflections on Comparative Advantage, 17 Berkeley La Raza L.J. 65 (2006).

Markets, Monocultures and Malnutrition: Agricultural Trade Policy through an Environmental Justice Lens, 14 Mich. St. J. Int'l L. 345 (2006).

Trade Liberalization, Food Security and the Environment: the Neoliberal Threat to Sustainable Rural Development, 14 Transnat'l L. and Contemp. Problems 419 (2004).

Seasons of Resistance: Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security in Cuba, 16 Tulane Env'tl. L. J. 685 (2003).

Institutionalizing Inequality: The WTO Agreement on Agriculture, Food Security, and Developing Countries, 27 Columbia J. Env'tl. L. 433 (2002).

Beyond Eco-Imperialism: An Environmental Justice Critique of Free Trade, 78 Denv.U. L. Rev. 979 (2001), excerpted in Comparative Urban Planning Law: An Introduction to Urban Land Development in the United States through the Lens of Comparing the Experience of Other Nations (Carolina Academic Press, 2003).

Book Chapters

An Environmental Justice Critique of Comparative Advantage: Lessons from the Mexican Neoliberal Economic Reforms, in Social and Economic Inequality: The Role of Law, Markets, and Social Structures (Emma Coleman Jordan and Charles Ogletree, eds., Russell Sage Foundation, forthcoming 2010).

Book Reviews

Book Review: Global Agricultural Trade and Developing Countries, 5 World Trade Review 308 (2006).

Other Publications

Is NAFTA a Good Model for China?: Lessons from Mexico and the United States, Jiangxi Social Sciences (forthcoming 2009) (article in peer-reviewed Chinese social science journal published by the Jiangxi Province Academy of Social Sciences).

Reality, Theory and a Make-Believe World: the Fundamentalism of the "Free" Market (with Daniel Bonilla Maldonado and Colin Crawford), 5 Seattle J. for Social Justice 499 (2007) (symposium introduction).

Markets, Monocultures and Malnutrition: Agricultural Trade Policy through an Environmental Justice Lens (2007) (Center for Progressive Reform White Paper), available at: http://www.progressivereform.org/articles/Gonzalez_702.pdf.

Environmental Justice (with Member Scholars of the Center for Progressive Reform) (2006) (Center for Progressive Reform Perspectives Series), available at: <http://www.progressivereform.org/perspectives/environJustice.cfm>.

An Unnatural Disaster: The Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina (with Member Scholars of the Center for Progressive Reform (2005) (Center for Progressive Reform White Paper). Contributed to the section of the white paper entitled "The Two Americas," discussing issues of race, class and justice. The white paper is available at: http://www.progressivereform.org/Unnatural_Disaster_512.pdf

AWARDS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Life Member, Clare Hall (College of Advanced Studies), University of Cambridge, United Kingdom.

Visiting Scholar, Law Faculty, Land Economy Department, and Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom, Fall 2006.

Fulbright Scholar Award (China), 2006 (declined).

U.S. Supreme Court Fellowship, 2004-2005.

Fulbright Scholar Award (Argentina), 1999.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Special Achievement Award, 1995.

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS AND PARTICIPATION IN SCHOLARLY COLLOQUIA:

Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA (January 2009). Presentation: “Environmental Justice in the Border Region and Beyond.”

Wuhan University, Faculty of Law, Wuhan, China (November 2008), Presentation: “The Promise and Peril of Regional Trade Agreements: Lessons from NAFTA.”

Seattle University, Conference on the 25th Anniversary of the Publication of *This Bridge Called My Back* (April 2008). Presentation: “The Continuing Relevance of *This Bridge* for Feminist and Critical Race Scholarship.”

Seattle University, Conference on Globalization and Social Justice (February 2008). Presentation: “Scholarly Engagement with Global Social Justice: A Cautionary Note.”

Seattle University Teach-In on Climate Change (January 2008). Presentation: “Climate Change and International Law: The Kyoto Protocol and its Aftermath.”

Latino/Latina Critical Legal Theory annual conference, Miami, Florida (October 2007). Presentation: “China and Latin America: the New Face of Globalization.”

Cambridge University, Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Cambridge, United Kingdom (November 2006). Presentation: “Markets, Monocultures and Malnutrition: Agricultural Trade Policy through and Environmental Justice Lens.”

University of the Western Cape, Faculty of Law, Cape Town, South Africa (October 2006). Presentation: “The WTO Dispute over Genetically Modified Organisms: Implications for Developing Countries.”

Universidad de los Andes, South-North Exchange on Law, Theory and Culture, Conference on Free Market Fundamentalism, Bogota, Colombia (May 2006). Presentation: “An Environmental Justice Critique of the Theory of Comparative Advantage.”

Georgetown University Law Center & Harvard Law School, Conference on Economic and Social Inequality: The Role of Race in Law, Markets and Social Structures, Washington, DC (March 2006). Presentation: “Deconstructing the Mythology of Free Trade.”

Forum on the Role of Brazil in International Economic and Environmental Law, Seattle, WA (January 2006). Presentation: “Brazil’s Role in the WTO Negotiations and in the WTO Dispute Resolution Process.”

National Hispanic Sustainable Energy and Environmental Conference, Seattle, WA (November 2005). Presentation: “Race, Class and the Environment: Lessons from Hurricane Katrina.”

Seattle University Forum on Race and Class Relations in the Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina (October 2005). Presentation: “Race, Class and the Environment: Lessons from Hurricane Katrina.”

Latino/Latina Critical Legal Theory annual conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico (October 2005). Presentation: “Environmental Degradation and Trade Liberalization: Exploring the Linkages.”

Seattle University Continuing Legal Education Program on International Trade Law (September 2005). Presentation: “WTO Dispute over Genetically Modified Organisms: Implications for Food Safety and Environmental Protection.”

Georgia State University College of Law, Faculty Speaker Series, Atlanta, GA (March 2005). Presentation: “Markets, Monocultures and Malnutrition: A Critique of Neoliberal Trade Policy.”

American Economics Association Annual Meeting, Panel on Progressive Law and Economics Scholarship, Philadelphia, PA (January 2005). Presentation: “Trade Liberalization, Food Security, and the Environment: the Neoliberal Threat to Sustainable Rural Development.”

Southwestern University School of Law, Visiting Speaker Series, Los Angeles, CA (September 2004). Presentation: “Trade Liberalization, Food Security, and the Environment: the Neoliberal Threat to Sustainable Rural Development.”

American and Caribbean Law Conference, Caribbean Market Forces: Emerging Trends in Trade, Comparative and International Law, Ocho Rios, Jamaica (July 2004). Presentation: “The Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) and the Challenge of Sustainable Development.”

Association of American Law Schools, Conference on Teaching Environmental Law in a Global Context, Portland, Oregon (June 2004). Presentation: “Re-Conceptualizing International Environmental Law through an Environmental Justice Framework.”

University of Iowa College of Law, Symposium on Prospects for Economic and Social Development in Cuba, Iowa City, Iowa (February 2004). Presentation: “Cuban Agriculture at the Crossroads.”

Universidad Inter-Americana de Puerto Rico, South-North Exchange on Law, Theory and Culture, Beyond Formal Democracy: Re-conceiving Self-Determination, San Juan, Puerto Rico (December 2003). Presentation: “Trade, Environment and Self-Determination.”

National Environmental Justice Advisory Council, International Subcommittee, Washington, DC (September 2003). Presentation to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of International Affairs: “What is International Environmental Justice?”

Denver University College of Law, faculty colloquium (January 2003). Presentation: “The WTO and Developing Countries: Agricultural Trade in the Doha Round of WTO Negotiations.”

Tulane Law School, Conference on Environmental Law and Sustainable Development in Cuba, Havana, Cuba (August 2002). Participated in workshops and discussions regarding the development of environmental law in Cuba.

Latino/Latina Critical Legal Theory annual conference. Portland, Oregon (May 2002). Presentation: “Re-defining State-Sponsored Terrorism: From Chile to Colombia and Beyond.”

Columbia Law School, Conference on Trade, Sustainability and Global Governance, New York, NY (March 2002). Presentation: “Agricultural Trade Liberalization and Food Security.”

UC Berkeley, Boalt Hall, Seminar on Law and Social Justice (November 2001). Presentation: “Women and the Global Environment.”

Seattle University, Forum on Colombia: Current Challenges and Prospects for Peace (November 2001). Presentation: “The Drug War, Petroleum and the Elusive Quest for Peace.”

Third World Studies Annual Conference, Omaha, Nebraska (October 2001). Presentation: “The Environmental Consequences of the Drug War in Colombia.”

Universidad Javeriana, Conference on Peace and International Cooperation in Colombia, Bogota, Colombia (July 2001). Attended workshops and presentations on various aspects of the ongoing conflict in Colombia.

Latino/Latina Critical Legal Theory annual conference, Gainesville, Florida (April 2001). Presentation: “Trade Liberalization and North/South Inequality.”

University of Oregon School of Law, Faculty Colloquium (April 2001). Presentation: “An Environmental Justice Critique of Liberalized Trade.”

Seattle University, Forum on the WTO (November 2000). Presentation: “Reflections on the WTO: One Year Later.”

Latino/Latina Critical Legal Theory annual conference, Breckenridge, Colorado (May 2000). Presentation: “The Environmental Consequences of Trade Liberalization.”

Washington State Hispanic Bar Association Annual Dinner (December 1999). Keynote address: “Making Our Voices Heard in the New Millenium: Latinos and the Legal Profession.”

LAW SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Executive Council Member, Association of American Law Schools, Section of Environmental Law (January 2007- present).

Member Scholar, Center for Progressive Reform (December 2004-present). The Center for Progressive Reform (CPR) is a non-profit research and educational organization of university-affiliated academics with expertise in the legal, economic and scientific issues related to regulation of health, safety and the environment. Through research and commentary, CPR seeks to inform policy debates and enhance public understanding of the issues.

Program Coordinator, Summer Legal and Policy Study in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (September 2005-present). Worked with colleagues at Georgia State University College of Law and University of Tennessee College of Law to develop and implement a summer abroad program in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Responsibilities included drafting and revision of the Memorandum of Understanding among the participating law schools; development of promotional materials; participation in curricular design; recruitment of students and faculty; and teaching in the program. The program focuses on international and comparative law, and has a strong social justice emphasis. During summer 2009, ninety-five law students were enrolled in the program, making the program the largest of its kind in Latin America.

Project Team Member, LatCrit Study Space Project (2007-present). Study Space is a series of week-long intensive workshops, held at diverse locations around the world, the goal of which is to acquire a deeper understanding of the legal, policy and human

challenges posed by the global growth of megacities. Each Study Space results in research that is published in a law review or comparable forum. Study Space I, studying the explosive urban growth in Panama City, Panama, was held in December 2007, and the research papers were published in the Tennessee Journal of Law & Policy. Study Space II took place in Bogota, Colombia in March 2008 on the topic of property, the environment, and cultural diversity in Colombia. The resulting papers were published in the University of Miami Inter-American Law Review. Study Space III took place in Denver, Colorado in December 2008. The theme was private and public lands in the post-colonial North American West." Study Space IV will take place in Medellin, Colombia in December 2009. The theme is the use and control of space for social transformation.

Conference Organizer, South/North Exchange on Theory, Culture and Law, Bogota, Colombia (May 18-20, 2006). Served as one of three organizers of the LatCrit South-North Exchange on Theory, Culture and Law ("SNX") that took place in Bogota, Colombia in May 2006 at the Universidad de los Andes. SNX consists of yearly conferences held in North and South America designed to foster and sustain transnational, interdisciplinary and cross-cultural dialogue on current issues in law, theory and culture that are of common interest across the Americas. The subject of the May 2006 conference was Free Market Fundamentalism. The symposium articles were published in the Seattle Journal for Social Justice.

Steering Committee Member, Facility Reporting Project (May 2003-2008). The Facility Reporting Project is a multi-stakeholder initiative to produce a framework for corporations to report the environmental, social and economic impacts of their operations at the facility level. The project is sponsored by the Boston-based Coalition for Environmentally Responsible Economies (CERES), a coalition of institutional investors and environmental organizations concerned about corporate social responsibility.

Faculty Advisory Board, Center on Corporations, Law and Society, Seattle University School of Law (2003-2004). The Center promotes interdisciplinary scholarship and dialogue on issues related to the roles and obligations of corporations in an increasingly privatized and interdependent global society.

National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC), International Subcommittee, Member and Vice Chair (2002-2004). The NEJAC is a federal advisory committee to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on environmental justice matters. The International Subcommittee provides advice and recommendations regarding international environmental justice issues.

Greenpeace USA, Board Member (2001-2003). Greenpeace USA is a nonprofit corporation affiliated with the international Greenpeace movement. It uses non-violent direct action and creative communication to expose global environmental problems and to promote solutions.

Member of Seattle University delegation to Nicaragua (March 2003). Participated in meetings with faculty from the Universidad Centroamericana (UCA) and with representatives from government agencies and non-governmental organizations regarding economic development and poverty reduction in Nicaragua.

Member of Seattle University delegation to conference on Peace and International Cooperation in Colombia, held at the Universidad Javeriana in Bogota, Colombia (July 2001). Participated in an interdisciplinary conference on the historic roots and current status of the Colombian conflict. Delivered several presentations at Seattle University and elsewhere based on this conference and on independent research on Colombia.

Washington State Gender and Justice Commission, facilitator at judicial training seminar entitled *When Bias Compounds: Insuring Equal Justice for Women of Color in the Courts and the Legal Profession* (September 2000).

Basel Action Network (BAN), legal advisor. Served as legal advisor to BAN (a Seattle-based non-governmental organization working on international hazardous waste issues) during the negotiation of the Liability Protocol to the Basel Convention on the Transboundary Movement of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal. Basel, Switzerland (December 1999).

Chair, Personnel Review Committee (2009-2010)

Law School International and Comparative Law Program Committee (2005-2008)

Committee to Select Winner of the Cheney/Metzger Writing Competition (Spring 2000 and Fall 2007)

Law School LL.M Advisory Committee (2005-2006)

Law School Budget Committee (2000-2003)

Law School Faculty Appointments Committee (1999-2000)

Public Interest Law Foundation Summer Grant Selection Committee (Spring 2002)

Faculty Advisor, Latino/a Law Student Association (LLSA)(1999-present)

Faculty Advisor, Environmental Law Society (1999-present)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Bar Association
Hispanic National Bar Association
American Society of International Law
Law and Society Association
National Hispanic Environmental Council

BAR ADMISSION

California Bar; District of Columbia Bar

LANGUAGES

Fluent in Spanish; proficient in French; some knowledge of Portuguese and Mandarin Chinese.