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ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Northeastern University, *Professor of Law, Public Policy, and Urban Affairs* 2017-present

William S. Richardson School of Law, *Assoc. Prof.*, Honolulu, HI 2014-2017

Founding Director, Energy Justice Program

Principal Investigator, Community Capacity Building Grant, Schmidt Family Foundation, 11th Hour Project, \$50,000 2016-present

Faculty Advisor, Environmental Law Program

Faculty Advisor, International Environmental Law Moot Court Team

Chair, Association of American Law Schools, International Law Section 2016-present

Fulbright-García Robles Scholar, Mexico 2016-17

Vermont Law School Distinguished Summer Energy Scholar 2016

Associate Fellow, New Economy Law Center 2015-present

Research Interests: Energy, Development, Climate Change, and Indigenous Rights.

Courses Taught: International Environmental Law, Climate Change and the Law, Clean Energy and Climate Change Law and Policy, Energy Justice Workshop, Business Associations.

University of San Francisco School of Law, *Assoc. Prof.*, San Francisco, CA 2012-2014

Courses Taught: Business Organizations and International Development Seminar (focus on complex commercial transactions, energy, indigenous rights and environment).

Director, China Summer Externship Program: Beijing and Shanghai Summer 2013

Delegate, USF-El Salvador Social Justice Delegation Summer 2013

University of Wisconsin Law School, *William H. Hastie Fellow*, Madison, WI 2010-2012

Courses Taught: Co-taught Bankruptcy Law with Professor Jonathan Lipson and led weekly LL.M. Bankruptcy Law review sessions (Fall 2010). Guest Lecturer in Selected Problems in International Law: Climate Change and Human Rights courses (Fall 2010, Spring 2011). International Development Seminar (Spring 2012).

EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin Law School, Madison, WI LL.M., May 2012

Northeastern University School of Law, Boston, MA J.D., May 2005

Honors: Recipient, **Denise Carty-Benia Award** (Spring 2005); Recipient, **Massachusetts Black Judges Award** (Spring 2004); Fellow, **2003 Rappaport Honors Program in Law and Public Policy** (Summer 2003).

Research Assistant: Professor David Hall (Fall 2004; Spring 2005) and Professor Rashmi Dyal-Chand (Spring 2004).

Teaching Facilitator: Selected to develop group research project with **Massachusetts Correctional Legal Services** for required first-year Law, Culture & Difference course (Fall 2003).

Activities: Admissions Committee; Chair, Black American Law Students Association; Queer Caucus.

United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO B.S., May 1998

Honors: Named to the Academy's achievement lists for academic, athletic and/or military performance (intermittent, 1994-98); Female Athlete of the Year (1998); Colorado Sportswoman of the Year (1998); Women's Rugby World Cup Team (1998); Women's Rugby Collegiate All American (1994-98).

PUBLICATIONS/WORKS IN PROGRESS

Implementing FPIC: Expanding the Role of Communities in the Global Energy Transition (recommending community-based approaches to renewable energy development in the Global South) (anticipated submission Fall 2017).

The Just Transition (discussing Hawai'i renewable energy transition and justice implications of regulatory challenges) (anticipated submission Winter 2017).

Questioning the Value of Solar, in *Beyond Zero-Sum Environmentalism*, 47 *Environmental Law Reporter* 10328, 10345 (April 2017).

Unlocking the Energy Commons, in *Law for the New Economy* (Melissa and Gus Speth eds., Edward Elgar Publishing (2017) (arguing for expanded opportunities for community participation in renewable energy generation vis-à-vis community solar legislation).

Mexican Energy Reform, Climate Change, and Energy Justice in Indigenous Communities, 56 *Natural Resources Journal* 369 (Summer, 2016) (discussing Mexican energy reform and opportunities for community participation in energy development).

Climate Change and International Economic Law, 43 *Ecology Law Quarterly* 53 (2016) (exploring the efficacy of the doctrine of fundamental change of circumstances in treaty renegotiation and exit when a State is affected by climate change).

Adaptive Law in the Anthropocene, 90 *Chicago Kent L. Rev.* 563 (2015) (arguing that development law should incorporate resiliency principles).

Project Finance and Sustainable Development in the Global South, in *International Environmental Law: Perspectives from the Global South* (Shawkat Alam et al. eds., Cambridge University Press, Spring 2015) (discussing role of project finance in sustainable development).

Is Fracking the Next Financial Crisis? A Development Lens for Understanding Systemic Risk and Governance, 87 *Temple L. Rev.* 229 (2015) (suggesting a broader lens for viewing systemic risk and governance issues in hydraulic fracturing).

Why the IFC's Free, Prior, and Informed Consent Policy Doesn't Matter (Yet) to Indigenous Communities Affected by Development Projects, 30 *Wis. Int'l L.J.* 668 (2012) (discussing meaning of "free, prior, and informed consent").

Unmasking Project Finance: Risk Mitigation, Risk Inducement, and an Invitation to Development Disaster?, 6 *Texas J. Oil, Gas, & Energy Law* 273 (Spring 2011) (discussing risk mitigation mechanisms that characterize project finance transactions).

Telling: Living with "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," 57 *J. Legal Educ.* 187 (2007).

CLERKSHIPS

Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court Associate Justice Roderick Ireland, *Law Clerk*, Boston, MA

Law clerk to Massachusetts Supreme Court justice (Aug. 2005-Aug. 2006).

United States District Court Judge Martin Jenkins, *Judicial Intern*, San Francisco, CA

Legal extern to federal district court judge (Winter 2004).

LEGAL PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Bingham McCutchen Murase, Sakai Mimura Aizawa-Foreign Law Joint Enterprise, *Associate*, Tokyo, Japan and Boston, MA

Represented diverse group of clients in cross-border insolvency, corporate and finance matters (Oct. 2008-Sept. 2009); drafted, negotiated and reviewed transactional documentation for project finance, finance, M&A, and venture-backed transactions (Oct. 2006-Oct. 2008).

Peter Cicchino Youth Project, Urban Justice Center, *Legal Intern*, New York, NY

Advocated for rights of homeless and low-income gay, lesbian, bi-sexual, and transgender youth to access governmental benefits (Winter 2005).

Center for Law and Education, *Rappaport Fellow/Legal Intern*, Boston, MA

Researched and prepared documents related to lawsuit challenging high-stakes testing in Massachusetts (Summer 2003).

Office of Affirmative Action & Diversity, Northeastern University, *Volunteer Intern*, Boston, MA

Assisted with investigation of discrimination claims, drafted affirmative action compliance plan, and researched the impact on University policy of a Boston city ordinance granting rights to transgender individuals (Spring 2003).

Shelter Legal Services Foundation, Inc., *Volunteer Advocate*, Boston, MA

Provided legal services for indigent and homeless women on housing and family law matters (Fall 2002-Winter 2005).

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

College Preparatory School, *Intern*, Oakland, CA

Developed school-wide diversity-related programming and worked with staff and faculty to evaluate diversity as reflected through teaching styles and recruitment strategies (Sept. 2001-May 2002).

Partners in School Innovation, *Recruitment and Human Resources Manager*, San Francisco, CA

Created and implemented national strategy for recruitment (Dec. 2000-Sept. 2001).

United States Air Force, *Lieutenant*, Los Angeles, CA and Arlington, TX

Served as Program Manager to Executive Director of Systems Acquisition, Program Manager and Chief of Acquisition Professional Development Program, and Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps Scholarship Recruiter. Earned Air Force Achievement Medal (1999) and Junior Officer of the Quarter Honors (2000). Honorably Discharged, August 2001 (June 1998-Nov. 2000).

PUBLIC SERVICE

National Center for Lesbian Rights, *Board Member and National Leadership Council*, San Francisco, CA

Served on board of national LGBTQ legal rights organization (July 2013 to May 2014) followed by service on National Leadership Council (August 2014-present).

Fundación En Vía, *Program Director*, Oaxaca, Mexico

Created and directed English-language school for micro-finance program participants in Teotitlán del Valle, a village of indigenous weavers (January 2009-April 2009).

Servicemembers Legal Defense Network, *Speaker*, Washington, DC

Addressed audiences nationwide at events supporting anti-discriminatory treatment of gay military members (2001-2009).

Spontaneous Celebrations, *Board Member*, Jamaica Plain, MA

Served on Board of Directors of community arts center providing festival arts and anti-violence youth programming to diverse community (2005-2008).

Pathways to Wellness, *Board Member*, Boston, MA

Served on Board of Directors of alternative health care center providing acupuncture and other Eastern healthcare treatments to at-risk and low-income communities (2007-2008).

Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Development Corporation, *Committee Member/Board Member*, Jamaica Plain, MA

Served on community development committee (2005-2008) and Board of Directors (2008).

The Posse Foundation, *Young Professionals Committee Member*, Boston, MA

Served on committee of national organization that provides full scholarships to diverse students to attend top liberal arts colleges (2005-2008).

SELECTED SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

USAID National Meeting of Civil Society, Non-Governmental Organizations, and Academics to Discuss National Energy Strategy, Morelos, Mexico, April 5-7, 2017.

Merida English Library, *Guest Speaker*, Mérida, Yucatán, Presentation entitled, *Renewable Energy and Green Development in the Yucatan*, March 4, 2017.

Centro de Investigación Científica de Yucatán, A.C., Mérida, Yucatán, Seminar entitled, “Retos en el desarrollo de la energía renovable en Yucatán: una invitación a su análisis,” (“Challenges in the Development of Renewable Energy in the Yucatan: An Invitation for Your Analysis”), Presentation entitled, “Energía Renovable en el Yucatán” (“Renewable Energy in the Yucatan”), February 9, 2017.

Technológico de Tizimin, Tizimin, Yucatan, Mexico, Presentation entitled, “Energía Renovable en el Yucatán” (“Renewable Energy in the Yucatan”), November 29, 2016.

World Community Power Conference, *Accepted Panelist*, Fukushima, Japan, Presentation entitled, *Molokai’s Just Energy Transition*, November 3-4, 2016.

Simposio “Energía Sostenible para México,” *Accepted Panelist*, Mérida, Yucatán, México, Presentation entitled, “Más allá de las limitaciones de la consulta previa: nuevos modelos de desarrollo” [“Beyond the Limitations of Prior Consultation: New Models of Development”], October 24-26, 2016.

Lewis & Clark Law School, *Invited Panelist*, Portland, OR, Presentation entitled, *Implementing FPIC: Expanding the Role of Communities in the Global Energy Transition*, at 21st Annual Business Law Fall Forum, Innovating Corporate Social Responsibility: From the Local to the Global, October 7, 2016.

University of Colorado, *Invited Speaker*, Boulder, CO, Presentation entitled, *The Just Transition*, at Duke-University of Colorado 7th Annual Summer Works-in-Progress Symposium: Natural Resources, Energy, and Environment in a Climate Changed World, August 11-12, 2016.

Vermont Law School, South Royalton, Vermont, *Invited Speaker*, Hot Topics Lecture Series, Presentation entitled, *Restoring Power to Hawai'i: (Missed) Opportunities for Energy Justice on the Road to 100% Renewable Energy*, June 9, 2016.

University of California Santa Barbara Bren School of Environmental Science & Management, Symposium, New Economy Law Center, Santa Barbara, California, *Invited Paper* as Fellow of New Economy Law Center, *Unlocking the Energy Commons*, May 23-24, 2016.

University of Kansas, *Invited Panelist*, Lawrence, KS, Presentation entitled, *Just Energy Pathways*, at Justice in the Low-Carbon Transition Symposium, April 28, 2016.

University of New Mexico, *Invited Panelist*, Albuquerque, NM, Presentation entitled, *Mexican Energy Reform, Climate Change, and Energy Justice in Indigenous Communities*, at Symposium on Mexico's Energy Reforms, March 4, 2016.

Association of American Law Schools Section of International Law Annual Meeting, *Panelist*, New York, NY, Crosscutting Program – International Environmental Law and the North-South Divide: At the Crossroads of Economic, Environmental, Human Rights, Energy, Food, Climate, and Sustainable Development Law, January 8, 2016.

Law and Society Annual Meeting 2015, *Accepted Panelist*, Seattle, WA, Presentation entitled, *Project Finance and Sustainable Development*, May 28, 2015.

Sustainability Conference of American Legal Educators, *Accepted Panelist*, University of Arizona, Tempe, AZ, Presentation entitled, *Postcard from the Future: The Energy Transition in Hawai'i*, May 8, 2015.

American Society of International Law International Economic Law Interest Group 2014 Biennial Meeting, *Accepted Submission*, Denver, CO, Presentation entitled, *Climate Change and Treaty Exit: A New Gap at the Intersection of International Economic Law and International Environmental Law*, November 14, 2014.

Vermont Law School, *Accepted Panelist*, South Royalton, VT, Presentation entitled, *Resilient Energy Institutions*, for Colloquium on Environmental Law Scholarship, October 4, 2014.

Association for Law, Property and Society, *Panelist*, Vancouver, BC, Presentation entitled, *Beyond Hybridity: Adaptive Institutions in the New Development Reality*, May 2, 2014.

Florida A&M University, *Invited Panelist*, Orlando, FL, Presentation entitled, *Project Finance and Sustainability: At Odds?*, at Fourth Annual Environmental Law and Justice Symposium, International Finance, Human Rights, and the Environment, Presentation, November 8, 2013.

University of San Francisco School of Law, *Speaker*, San Francisco, CA, Faculty Lunchtime Scholarship Series, Presentation entitled, *Is Fracking the Next Financial Crisis? A Development Lens for Understanding Systemic Risk and Governance*, October 24, 2013.

LatCrit, *Accepted Panelist*, Chicago, IL, Presentation entitled, *Is Fracking the Next Financial Crisis? A Development Lens for Understanding Systemic Risk and Governance*, at *Resistance Rising: Theorizing and Building Cross-Sector Movements*, Chicago, IL, October 4, 2013.

Washington University School of Law, *Invited Panelist*, St. Louis, MO, Presentation entitled, *Shifting International Economic Law Paradigms: El Salvador at the Brink*, at International Law Weekend, September 20, 2013.

Law and Society Annual Meeting, *Accepted Panelist*, Boston, MA, Presentation entitled, *All Fall Down: Energy Production and the Convergence of Environmental and Financial Risks*, for Global Perspectives on Corporate Law: International & CSR Topics panel, May 31, 2011.

University of Minnesota School of Law, *Invited Plenary Panelist*, Minneapolis, MN, Presentation entitled, *Is Fracking the New Financial Crisis?*, at Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences, April 24-25, 2013.

UC Berkeley School of Law, *Invited Panelist*, Berkeley, CA, *Prospective Law Professors Roundtable (advice for academia-bound law students and attorneys)* in connection with Berkeley Journal of Gender, Law & Justice, Symposium, *Presumed Incompetent: The Intersections of Race and Class for Women in Academia*, March 8, 2013.

University of Wisconsin School of Law, *Accepted Panelist*, Madison, WI, Class Crits V, *From Madison to Zuccotti Park: Confronting Class and Reclaiming the American Dream 2012*, *Panelist*, Presentation entitled, *Contracting in the Binary: Fissures Along the Public-Private Border and the Growing Systemic Risks of [International] Development*, November 16-17, 2012.

Vermont Law School, *Accepted Panelist*, South Royalton, VT, Presentation entitled, *All Fall Down: Energy Production and the Convergence of Environmental and Financial Risks*, for Colloquium on Environmental Law Scholarship, October 12, 2012.

Harvard Law School, *Speaker/Workshop Participant*, Cambridge, MA, Presentation entitled, *Converging Narratives: The Gulf, Japan, and the New Corporate State*, at Institute for Global Law and Policy: The Workshop, where I was one of ninety scholars selected to attend intensive workshop to discuss issues of global law, economic policy, and social justice in the aftermath of the economic crisis, June 1-11, 2011.

University of Wisconsin Law School, *Speaker*, Madison, WI, Presentation entitled, *Deconstructing Infrastructure Development Finance in the Global South: An Examination of Wind Energy Development in Oaxaca, Mexico*, Madison, WI, Law, Politics & Society Workshop, March 2011.

Earle Mack School of Law, *Speaker*, Philadelphia, PA, Presentation entitled, *Unmasking Project Finance: Risk Mitigation, Risk Inducement, and an Invitation to Development Disaster?* Faculty Luncheon Series, February 2011.

University of Wisconsin Law School, *Speaker*, Madison, WI, Presentation entitled, *Unmasking Project Finance: Risk Mitigation, Risk Inducement, and an Invitation to Development Disaster?* Ideas and Innovations Series, February 2011.

Association of American Law Schools Section of International Law, San Francisco, CA, *Panelist*, “People and Places,” AALS Annual Meeting, January 2011.

LatCrit, *Accepted Panelist*, Denver, CO, “Global Economic Regulation and Power,” Fifteenth Annual LatCrit Conference, October 2010.

Class Crits, *Accepted Panelist*, Buffalo, NY, “Engaging Narratives of Law in Economic Development – Local, National and Global,” Class Crits Conference, May 2010.

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York and Massachusetts.

LANGUAGES

Advanced Spanish.