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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Associate Professor of Law and Affiliated Professor of Latin American Studies, The University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law. July 2001 to Present. Tenured since 2004. Courses taught: Civil Procedure, Federal Courts, Civil Rights Litigation, and Comparative Law (Latin American Legal Systems).

Visiting Professor of Law, Universidad Carlos III, Programa de Doctorado General, y Programa de Derechos Humanos, Instituto Bartolomé de las Casas, Madrid, Spain, fall 2004. Courses to be taught: Public Interest Litigation and Collective Actions: Social Reform through the Courts; and, Introduction to Fundamental Rights in the United States: Norms, Process, and Protection; Introduction to American Law.

Visiting Professor of Law, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella, Escuela de Derecho, Buenos Aires, Argentina, May 2002. Course taught: Introduction to American Law from a Comparative Perspective.

Visiting Professor of Law, The University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor, Michigan, Fall 2001 semester. Courses taught: Civil Procedure and Judicial Federalism.

Assistant Professor of Law, The University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law, July 1998 to July 2001. Subjects taught: Civil Procedure, Federal Courts, Evidence, and Legal Writing.

AWARDS & HONORS:

- * **Fulbright Senior Scholar Grantee, Spain 2004/2005;**
 - * **All-University Outstanding Faculty Leader Award, 2004;**
 - * **J.T. Canales Distinguished Alumni Award, 2003, University of Michigan Law School, Latino Law Students Association;**
 - * **L. Hart Wright Teaching Excellence Award, 2002, Teacher of the Year, the University of Michigan Law School;**
 - * **John W. Strong Teaching Excellence Award, 2002, Teacher of the Year, The University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law;**
 - * **Outstanding Faculty Mentor, 2001, Nominee, Graduate & Professional Student Council Awards, the University of Arizona;**
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✧Teacher of the Year Award, 2001, the University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law;

EDUCATION:

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN LAW SCHOOL

Awarded Juris Doctorate, *cum laude*, May 1995.

- ✧Contributing Editor, Michigan Journal of International Law;
- ✧Instructor, Minority Affairs Program;
- ✧Executive Board, Latino Law Students Association;
- ✧*Juan Luis Tienda* Award Recipient;
- ✧Best Advocate Award, first-year legal writing moot court

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

Awarded Bachelor of Arts with High Honors in Political Science, *summa cum laude*, June 1992.

- ✧Distinguished Honors Scholar;
- ✧Ranked 1st in class of 543;
- ✧*Phi Beta Kappa*; Melba Wuenschel Prize;
- ✧University of Cincinnati's Eleanor Hicks Award: "From the Faculty to The Most Outstanding Graduating Woman";
- ✧Commencement Speaker;
- ✧Completed degree in 2 1/2 years; Dean's list, all quarters;
- ✧President, Phi Alpha Delta; Pi Sigma Alpha National Political Science Honor Society; Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society; Mortar Board National Honor Society; Head Delegate, Model United Nations; Recipient, Taft Fellowship and Taft Enrichment Awards.

✧**FEDERAL CLERKSHIP:** Law Clerk to **The Hon. James L. Ryan**, Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, August 1995 to August 1996.

SCHOLARSHIP - Publications

- ✧ *El Federalismo Comparado: El Derecho Común y Las Instituciones Civiles*, El Dial Revista Jurídica Argentina, (Editorial Astrea, August 2006);
- ✧ *La Enseñanza del Derecho en Estados Unidos*, Cuadernos del Instituto Antonio de Lebrija de Estudios Sobre La Universidad, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid (Dykinson, December 2004);
- ✧ *La Organización Administrativa: La Participación Ciudadana en la Gestión*

Administrativa y el Control, Número Especial de la Revista Jurídica de la Universidad de Buenos Aires, Facultad de Derecho (January 2005);

- ✧ *Of Federalism, Human Rights, and The Holland Caveat: Congressional Power to Implement Treaty Obligations*, 25 MICH. J. INT'L. L. 295 (March 2004);
- ✧ *Latinos in the Law Profession; Latino Politics; Latino Voters; United States Congress; and the Homestead Act*, in ENCYCLOPEDIA LATINA (GROLIER, April 2005);
- ✧ *United States v. Morrison & The Emperor's New Clothes*, 27 JOURNAL OF COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY LAW 735 (2002) (solicited manuscript; peer review journal);
- ✧ *Of Maine's Sovereignty, Alden's Federalism, and the Myth of Absolute Principles*, 33 U.C. DAVIS LAW REVIEW 325 (2000).

OTHER WORKS

- ✧ *One Proposed Tool for Learning, Playing, and Reducing Anxiety in Civil Procedure*, 47 ST. LOUIS U. L. REV. 59 (2003), invited contributor to Symposium issue on Teaching Civil Procedure;
- ✧ *This Chicken Speaks for Itself: Reviewing AMERICAN LAW OF TRADE AND INVESTMENT*, 19 ARIZ. J. INT'L. & COMP. L. 931 (2003).

WORKS-IN-PROGRESS

Latin American Legal Systems: A Comparative Study

Book Review: Latin American Law, Angel Oquendo, ____ Am. J. Comp. Law _____. (forthcoming 2007) (peer reviewed journal);

Book Review: El Derecho Comercial Comparado, Boris Kozolchyk, ____ Am. J. Comp. Law _____. (forthcoming 2007) (peer reviewed journal);

Perspectives from the Common Law Part I: Introducción al Método del Caso y al Estudio y Metodología de la Enseñanza del Derecho en Estados Unidos; work-in-progress;

Perspectives from the Common Law Part II: Perspectivas Comparadas Acerca de las Metodologías de la Enseñanza del Derecho: Lecciones, Retos, Interdisciplinariedad, y el Futuro; work-in-progress;

Perspectives from the Common Law Part III: The Federalism Debates of the European Constitution: American Federalism Revisited.

A Law Student's Cognitive Universe: Theories and Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Teaching and Understanding of Law; work-in-progress;

Grutter v. Bollinger: Socially Constructed Ethnicity in the Affirmative Action Debate and Ground Zero; Some Thoughts From Affirmative Action Student Y, work-in-progress;

Perspectives from the Common Law Part IV: Collective Actions in Spain and Latin America: Social Change through Judicial and Procedural Reform, work-in-progress.

SERVICE AND OUTREACH

INTERNATIONAL

- ✧ Invited Fulbright Scholar & Speaker, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Departamento de Derecho e Instituto de Derechos Humanos Bartolomé de Las Casas, Madrid, Spain (September-December 2004);
- ✧ Invited Presenter, Universidad de Buenos Aires, Facultad de Derecho y Carrera de Postgrado, *Seminario Internacional de Derecho Administrativo*; (March 28-31, 2004);
- ✧ Invited Faculty, Speaker, and outreach presentation, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella, Escuela de Derecho, Buenos Aires, Argentina (May 2001, May 2002);
- ✧ Invited Speaker & outreach presentation, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, México City, México (March 2002);
- ✧ Invited Speaker, outreach presentation, students of the Universidad de Sonora y Departamento de Derecho, Tucson, Arizona (April 2002).

NATIONAL

- ✧ Regional President, 2005-2006, Hispanic National Bar Association;
- ✧ Invited Guest Speaker, *Grutter v. Bollinger, Affirmative Action, Justice and Latinos*, **Hispanic National Bar Association** Annual Convention, October 10-12, 2004, New York;
- ✧ Invited Panelist: ***A Conversation with Justice Sandra Day O'Connor***, Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference, Monterey, California, July 18-22, 2004;
- ✧ Invited Panelist, Association of American Law Schools **Conference for New Law Teachers**, June 2004, *Teaching Techniques Panel*;
- ✧ Invited Discussant, Opening Panel, **LatCrit IX**, Philadelphia, April 2004;
- ✧ Award Recipient and Honored Guest, The 2003 Juan Luis Tienda Banquet, Latino Law Students Association, The University of Michigan Law School

- (February 2003);
- ✧ Executive Committee, Section on Civil Procedure, Association of American Law Schools, (2001-2003);
- ✧ Invited Participant, **Conference on Comparative and Latin American Law**, Whitney R. Harris Institute for Global Studies, Washington University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri (May 2003, May 2005, April 2007);
- ✧ Alumni Mentor; The University of Cincinnati Alumni Mentorship Program (2003).

STATE/LOCAL

- ✧ Student Counselor, *Phi Beta Kappa*, Arizona Chapter (2006-2007);
- ✧ Lawyer Representative for the Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference of the United States, 2005-2007;
- ✧ Chair, Merit Selection Panel, United States District Court Magistrate Retention Committee, (2005-2006);
- ✧ Co-Chair, Ninth Circuit Lawyers' Representatives to the **Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference** of the United States, District of Arizona (2003-2004);
- ✧ Chair, **Merit Selection Panel**, United States Magistrate Judge Retention Committee (2003);
- ✧ Member, **Local Rules Drafting Committee**, Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, District of Arizona (2001-2003);
- ✧ Presenter, **Continuing Legal Education Seminars**, The University of Arizona College of Law, Tucson, Arizona (2000 to present);
- ✧ Student Advisor, **Hispanic National Bar Association**, 1998 through present;
- ✧ Presenter, **Gonzalez-Villareal Bridge Program**, The University of Arizona College of Law (2000, 2002 & 2003);
- ✧ Student Advisor, **Judicial Clerkships** (1998 to present);
- ✧ Speaker, Arizona Federal District Court Conference (February 2003);
- ✧ Executive Committee, Secretary, **Federal Bar Association**, Tucson Chapter (01/02);
- ✧ Speaker & outreach, **Student Enrichment Forums**, The University of Arizona College of Law, Tucson, Arizona (2000, 2003);
- ✧ Contributor, **Admissions** outreach events for potential admits and admitted students, The University of Arizona College of Law, Tucson, Arizona (1999 to present);
- ✧ Contributor, **Organized outreach events** for undergraduates interested in law school, The University of Arizona College of Law, Tucson, Arizona (2001 to present);
- ✧ Affiliated Faculty, **Latin American Studies**, The University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona (2001 to present).

DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES - JAMES E. ROGERS COLLEGE OF LAW

- ✧ Dean Search Committee, 1998-1999;

- ✧ Faculty Appointments Committee; 1999-2000; Spring 2002;
- ✧ Dean's Advisory Committee; 1999-2000;
- ✧ Faculty Speakers Committee, 1998-1999;
- ✧ Curriculum Committee, 2000-2001;
- ✧ Admissions Committee, 2003-2004.

UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES - THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

- ✧ Appointed, Committee on Committees, 2002-2003; reappointed, 2003-2005;
- ✧ Appointed, University of Arizona Millennium Project Reporting Oversight Committee (2004/2005);
- ✧ Appointed, Faculty Senate Standing Committee, 2003-2005;
- ✧ Appointed, Dean Massaro's Review Committee.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- ✧ Admitted to practice in the State of Ohio, the Southern District of Ohio, and the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals;
 - ✧ Member, Minority Law Professors Section, Human Rights Section, Civil Procedure Section, Federal Courts Section, Women in the Legal Profession Section, Association of American Law Schools;
 - ✧ Member, American Society of Comparative Law;
 - ✧ Member, American Society of International Law;
 - ✧ Member, American Bar Association;
 - ✧ Member, National Hispanic Bar Association.
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PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

- ✧ Associate, Frost & Jacobs LLP, Cincinnati, Ohio (1996-1998)(currently Frost, Brown & Todd). Practice encompassed a wide range of areas in general commercial litigation both in state and federal courts. Member of the firm's International Law and Federal Courts Practice groups.

 - ✧ Law Clerk, The Hon. James L. Ryan, Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.
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PRESENTATIONS/PANELS:

- ✧ Invited Speaker, *Section 1983 and Civil Rights Litigation*, CLE Nuts-and-Bolts Series, Pima County Superior Court, January 2007;

- ✧ Panelist, Five Myths on Immigration, 2006 Federal District Court Conference, Phoenix, Arizona;
- ✧ Invited Speaker, *Storytelling in the Opening Statement*, CLE Nuts and Bolts Series, Pima County Superior Court, March 2006;
- ✧ Guest Speaker, *The Importance of a Liberal Arts Education*, Phi Beta Kappa graduation ceremony, December 2005;
- ✧ GRUTTER V. BOLLINGER, AFFIRMATIVE ACTION, JUSTICE AND LATINOS, **Hispanic National Bar Association** Annual Convention, October 10-12, 2004, New York;
- ✧ A CONVERSATION WITH JUSTICE SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR, Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference, Monterey, California, July 18-22, 2004;
- ✧ LATCRIT IX: COUNTERING KULTURKAMPF POLITICS THROUGH CRITIQUE AND JUSTICE PEDAGOGY: Invited Discussant, Opening Panel, Philadelphia, PA, April 2004;
- ✧ SEMINARIO INTERNACIONAL DE DERECHO ADMINISTRATIVO: APORTES PARA EL REDISEÑO INSTITUCIONAL DE LA REPUBLICA ARGENTINA, Invited Conferenciante: La Participación Ciudadana en la Gestión Administrativa y en el Control; Universidad de Buenos Aires Facultad de Derecho y Especialización de Posgrado, Buenos Aires, Argentina, March 28-31, 2004;
- ✧ TEACHING TECHNIQUES: THE 1L CLASSROOM: June 2004, Invited Panelist, Association of American Law Schools, Workshop for New Law teachers, (June 2004);
- ✧ AFFIRMATIVE ACTION IN HIGHER EDUCATION: FROM BAKKE TO GRUTTER AND BACK: April 2004, Invited Guest Lecturer, Office of Continuing Education and Academic Outreach, University of Arizona SAGE Society (April 2004);
- ✧ BROWN AT 50, Grutter v. Bollinger and Affirmative Action in Higher Education; November 2003 & February 2004, The University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law;
- ✧ THE 2002-2003 SUPREME COURT TERM, October 2003, CLE presentation on Federalism, The University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law;
- ✧ SOME THOUGHTS ON JURISDICTION IN CYBERSPACE; THE YAHOO CASE AND IMPLICATIONS FOR CONFLICTS OF LAWS IN CYBERSPACE, February 2003, Federal District Court Conference, Civil Section, Tucson, Arizona;

- ✧ **THE 2001-2002 SUPREME COURT TERM**, October 2002, CLE presentation on Federalism, Jurisdiction, and Civil Procedure, The University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law;
- ✧ **AN INTRODUCTION TO THE COMMON LAW AND THE CASE LAW METHOD**, March 2002, Two-day seminar presentation, in conjunction with Boris Kozolchyk and John F. Molloy, at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, México City, México (ITAM);
- ✧ **THE TREATY POWER, FEDERALISM, AND INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS**, November 2001, working paper presentation at the University of Michigan Law School, Legal Theory Workshop Series, Ann Arbor, Michigan;
- ✧ **THE 2000 SUPREME COURT TERM: FEDERALISM AND CIVIL PROCEDURE**, October 2001, CLE conference sponsored by the University of Arizona College of Law in Phoenix, Arizona;
- ✧ **OF SOVEREIGNTY AND FEDERALISM**, May 2001, Seminar presentation: Universidad Torcuato Di Tella, Escuela de Derecho, Buenos Aires, Argentina;
- ✧ **THE FUTURE OF THE FEDERAL COURTS**, February 2001, Panelist, University of Arizona College of Law;
- ✧ **SUPREME COURT REVIEW: A LOOK AT LAST YEAR'S DOCKET AND A PEEK AHEAD: THE FIFTH AMENDMENT, THE FIRST AMENDMENT AND FEDERALISM**, October 2000, CLE presentation on Federalism, The University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law;
- ✧ **CHALLENGING THE FIVE-HEADED CAESAR: VAWA, FEDERALISM, AND THE TREATY POWER**, October 2000, Second-Year Presentation to the Faculty, University of Arizona College of Law;
- ✧ **THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT AND THE TREATY POWER**, October 2000, Student Enrichment Forum, University of Arizona College of Law;
- ✧ **ON SOVEREIGNTY, FEDERALISM, AND THE MYTH OF ABSOLUTE PRINCIPLES: THE NEWEST OLDEST QUESTION IN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW**, March 2000, works-in-progress panel, First National People of Color Conference, Chicago, Illinois;
- ✧ **FEDERALISM AND THE MYTH OF STATE SOVEREIGNTY**, March 2000, Student Enrichment Forum, University of Arizona College of Law.
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