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#### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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**Queen's University Faculty of Law**

Associate Professor (with tenure), July 2025-

Assistant Professor, December 2018-July 2025

Lecturer, July 2018-December 2018

Courses Taught: Civil Procedure, Contracts, Research Methods and Perspectives

**Peking University School of Transnational Law**

C.V. Starr Lecturer in Law 2012-2013

Courses Taught: Transnational Legal Practice I and II, Contract Drafting, Second Year Research Seminar, Comparative Law Reading Group

#### EDUCATION

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**Yale University**, PhD in Law 2018

Dissertation: *Arbitration in US Civil Procedure*

*Mellon Foundation Fellow* 2015-2018

**Yale Law School**, JD, 2012

*Yale Journal of International Law*, Executive Editor

*Yale Law Journal*, Editor

Veterans Legal Services Clinic

Research Assistant to Professors Reva Siegel and Susan Rose-Ackerman

**École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales and Paris X**, Master 2 Théorie et Analyse du Droit (Legal Theory), *mention très bien* 2009

Thesis: *The Reform of Article 61-1 of the Constitution and the Litigant in French Constitutional Law* (in French)

**Harvard University**, AB *magna cum laude* in Social Studies, 2008

*Phi Beta Kappa* (senior fall election)

*John Harvard Scholar* (top 5% of class) 2005—2006

#### PUBLICATIONS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

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(with Pamela K. Bookman) "International Commercial Courts and International Commercial Law," work in progress

(with Suzanne E. Chiodo and Gerard J. Kennedy) "Hryniak's Erosion: Summary Judgment in Ontario," (Canadian Bar Review, forthcoming 2026)

(with Jonathan Nash) "Climate Change Nuisance Litigation in the U.S. and Canada: Emulation and Divergence," in *Institutions and Effective Climate Action* (Cherie Metcalf & Stephanie Stern, eds., forthcoming 2026)

"Ethics for Traveling Judges" (2025) 75:3 UTLJ 309

"Wind-down Authority Across the St. Lawrence: A Response to Buchanan and Dorf" (2023) 103:7 BU L Rev 2113

(with Pamela K. Bookman) "Visiting Judges Going Global," (2023) 106:3 Judicature 25

(with Pamela K. Bookman) "Traveling Judges" (2022) 116:3 Am J Intl L 477

(with Pamela K. Bookman) "Conclusion: Transnational Dispute Resolution, International Commercial Courts and the Future of International Commercial Law" in Sudaresh Menon & Anselmo Reyes, eds., *Transnational Commercial Disputes in an Age of Anti-Globalism and Pandemic* (Oxford: Hart 2022), 313

"I Say Discovery, You Say Disclosure: Evidence in International Arbitration" in Shala F. Ali, Filip Balcerzak, Giorgio Fabio Colombo, and Joshua Karton eds. *Diversity in Arbitration: Why It Matters and How to Sustain It* (London: Elgar, 2022), 208

"Ontario's Pandemic Procedure" (2021) 46:2 Queen's LJ 445

"Global Civil Procedure" (2021) 62:1 Harv Intl LJ 223

"General Principles and the Search for Legitimacy in International Arbitration: A Comparative Perspective" (2020) 1:1 Ius Comparatum 288

"American Echoes in *Telus v Wellman*" Case Comment, (2019) 1:1 Can J Commercial Arbitration 133

"Arbitration and the Federal Balance" (2019) 94:4 Ind LJ 1447

"Too Much Power and Not Enough: Arbitrators Face the Class Dilemma" (2018) 21:4 Lewis & Clark L Rev 1031

"New Judicial Review in Old Europe" (2015) 44:2 Ga J Intl & Comp L 1

“Comment: Procedural Perils: The Supreme People’s Court on the Enforcement of Arbitral Awards” (2015) 17 Asian Pac L & Pol’y J 1

“The F.G. Hemisphere Case in Hong Kong” (2013) 1 J Disp Prevention & Resol 49

“Recent Development: A Supreme Court, Supreme Parliament, and Transnational National Rights” (2010) 35:2 Yale J Intl L 245

#### ONLINE PUBLICATIONS

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“How to Break a Judiciary, Part 1: Choosing Your Judges,” “Part 2: Difficult Working Conditions,” “Part 3: What is to be Done?” *Dorf on the Law* (April 3-5, 2025)

<https://www.dorfonlaw.org/2025/04/how-to-break-judiciary-part-1-choosing.html>,

<https://www.dorfonlaw.org/2025/04/how-to-break-judiciary-part-2-difficult.html>,

<https://www.dorfonlaw.org/2025/04/how-to-break-judiciary-part-3-what-is.html>

(with Pamela K. Bookman) “Traveling Judges and International Commercial Courts,” (6 July 2022) online: *Conflict of Laws Blog* <<https://conflictoflaws.net/2022/traveling-judges-and-international-commercial-courts/>>

(with Pamela K. Bookman) “The Case of the Missing U.S. Judges: Traveling Judges on International Commercial Courts,” (17 June 2022) online: *Transnational Litigation Blog* <<https://tlblog.org/the-case-of-the-missing-u-s-judges-traveling-judges-on-international-commercial-courts/>>

(with Tina Cichetti and Joshua Karton) “The Supreme Court of Canada Charts a Safe Route between the Scylla and Charybdis of Hostility to Arbitration and Competence-Competence Absolutism,” (9 July 2020) online: *Kluwer Arbitration Blog* <[http://arbitrationblog.kluwerarbitration.com/2020/07/09/the-supreme-court-of-canada-charts-a-safe-route-between-the-scylla-and-charybdis-of-hostility-to-arbitration-and-competence-competence-absolutism/?doing\\_wp\\_cron=1595545054.3181669712066650390625](http://arbitrationblog.kluwerarbitration.com/2020/07/09/the-supreme-court-of-canada-charts-a-safe-route-between-the-scylla-and-charybdis-of-hostility-to-arbitration-and-competence-competence-absolutism/?doing_wp_cron=1595545054.3181669712066650390625)>

“Uber v Heller: Argument Roundup,” (24 November 2019) online: *Canadian Business Law Blog* <<https://businesslawblogsite.com/2019/11/24/uber-v-heller-argument-roundup/>>

“Pearl River Delta Blues: Extradition and Hong Kong’s Position as Arbitral Seat,” (16 June 2019) online: *Kluwer Arbitration Blog* <[http://arbitrationblog.kluwerarbitration.com/2019/06/16/pearl-river-delta-blues-extradition-and-hong-kongs-position-as-arbitral-seat/?doing\\_wp\\_cron=1595545013.6449420452117919921875](http://arbitrationblog.kluwerarbitration.com/2019/06/16/pearl-river-delta-blues-extradition-and-hong-kongs-position-as-arbitral-seat/?doing_wp_cron=1595545013.6449420452117919921875)>

“Review of *Public Law Adjudication in Common Law Systems*” (24 September 2016) online: *Intl J Const L Blog* <<http://www.icconnectblog.com/2016/09/book-review-alyssa-king-public-law-adjudication>>

(with Denise Y. Ho) “The Trouble with Hong Kong’s Chief Executives,” (28 January 2016) online: *ChinaFile* <<https://www.chinafile.com/reporting-opinion/viewpoint/trouble-hong-kongs-chief-executives>>

“As Jean-Louis Debré’s Term as President Comes to a Close—Whither the French Constitutional Council?,” (20 January 2016) online: *Intl J Const L Blog* <<http://www.iconnectblog.com/2016/01/as-jean-louis-debres-term-as-president-comes-to-a-close-whither-the-french-constitutional-council/>>

(with Alvin Y. H. Cheung) “Why Hong Kong’s Lawyers Marched,” (2 July 2014) online: *Intl J Const L Blog* <<http://www.iconnectblog.com/2014/07/why-hong-kongs-lawyers-marched/>>

(with Alvin Y. H. Cheung) “Whose ‘Constitutional Moment’ is it Anyway? A Response to Professor Chen on Electoral Reform in Hong Kong,” (1 April 2014) online: *Intl J Const L Blog* <<http://www.iconnectblog.com/2014/04/whose-constitutional-moment-is-it-anyway-a-response-to-professor-chen-on-electoral-reform-in-hong-kong/>>

#### GRANTS AND PROJECTS

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(as general rapporteur) International Commercial Courts and Arbitration, International Academy of Comparative Law (IACL-AIDC) Berlin Conference 2026, other general rapporteurs: Joshua Karton and Laurence-Marquis

(as co-applicant) Fighting the Backlog: How Ontario’s Courts are Using Summary Processes to Address Civil Justice Delays, SSHRC Insight Development Grant 2024 PI: Suzanne E. Chiodo, co-applicant: Gerard J. Kennedy

(as PI) Comparative Climate Change Litigation in the US and Canada: Emulation and Divergence, SSHRC SIG Explore Grant 2024, collaborator: Jonathan Nash

(as PI) Travelling Judges, Moonlighting Arbitrators, and Global Common Law, SSHRC Insight Development Grant 2020, collaborator: Pamela K. Bookman

(as PI) Yale Law School Howard M. Holtzmann Fellow 2012-2013 (arbitration research)

#### AFFILIATIONS/RESEARCH VISITS

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**FAU Center for Human Rights Erlangen-Nürnberg**  
Visiting Researcher, June-July 2026

**Boston College Law School**  
Visiting Scholar, 2025-2026

## Yale Law School Information Society Project

Affiliate Fellow, 2018-

Resident Fellow, 2015–2018

### AWARDS

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Stanley M. Corbett Teaching Award, Queen's Law Students Society, 2025

Harvard-École Normale Supérieure Fellow, 2008-2009

### SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

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Organizer and Panelist, 'Systems are Systems: Civil Process and the Rule of Law' (The Role of Law Schools in Advancing the Rule of Law, Osgoode Hall Law School, 8 November 2025)

'Comparing Three Commercial Courts: Dubai, Kazakhstan, and Singapore,' (Canadian Commercial Law Workshop, Western University Faculty of Law, 13 September 2025)

(with Jonathan Nash) Comparative Climate Change Litigation in the US and Canada: Emulation and Divergence, (Climate Institutions Conference, Queen's University, 14 December 2023)

(with Pamela K. Bookman) Traveling Judges on International Commercial Courts, (invited panelist at European Society of International Law History of International Law: Extraterritorial Quarters Past and Present, (virtual) 31 January 2023)

'Ethics for Traveling Judges,' (Brooklyn Law School International Business Law Scholars Roundtable, 16 September 2022)

'Traveling Judges,' (Civil Procedure Workshop, Cardozo Law School, 20 May 2022)

Moderator, 'Travelling Judges on International Commercial Courts,' (International Law Weekend at Fordham Law (virtual), 29 October 2021) (panel with current and former judges from Singapore, Dubai, and Bermuda, organized with Pamela Bookman)

Panelist, 'Travelling Judges and Imperial Legacies on Domestic Courts,' (American Society of Comparative Law Annual Meeting at University of Wisconsin Law School (online), 21 October 2021)

Organizer and Panelist, '*Uber v Heller*-Can Unconscionability Principles Answer When Not to Enforce Arbitration Agreements?,' (Queen's Centre for Law in the Contemporary Workplace & Canadian Journal of Commercial Arbitration at Queen's University (virtual), 22 January 2021) (workshop organized with Kevin Brooks and Joshua Karton)

Panelist, 'The Uses and Abuses of Arbitration: *Uber* and Beyond' (ADR Institute of Canada (virtual), 14 August 2020)

'Global Civil Procedure,' (plenary session, Civil Procedure Workshop, University of Texas School of Law Austin, 26 October 2019)

'General Principles and the Search for Legitimacy in International Arbitration: A Comparative Perspective,' (Ius Comparatum Launch, Sciences Po, 8 October 2019)

'Arbitration and the Federal Balance,' (plenary session, Civil Procedure Workshop, Stanford Law School, 9 November 2018)

'Aggregation Through Assignment,' (Brooklyn Law School International Business Roundtable, 20 March 2017) (invited)

'The Routinization of Class Arbitration,' (Judicial Politics Graduate Student Conference, Yale University, 27 July 2016)

'Legal Nationalism and European Judicial Review,' (Younger Comparativists Conference, Lewis & Clark Law School, 4 April 2014)

#### SERVICE

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#### Professional:

International Academy of Procedural Law, Member (2025-present)

American Society of Comparative Law Younger Comparativists Committee Treasurer, (2022-2024), Scholarship Committee: Chair (2020-2022), Member (2018-2020)

Created and edited *COVID and the Courts: A Procedural Emergency Blog* (summer and fall 2020 covering Canadian provinces) <https://conflictanalytics.queenslaw.ca/covid-and-the-courts>

#### Reviewer:

American Journal of Comparative Law, Supreme Court Law Review, Alberta Law Review, Canadian Journal of Law and Jurisprudence, Queen's Law Journal, McGill Journal of Dispute Resolution, and Osgoode Hall Law Journal.

#### Faculty:

Law Teaching Initiative, Queen's University Faculty of Law, 2019-present

Moot Committee, Queen's University Faculty of Law, 2023-2025

Writing Prizes Committee, Queen's University Faculty of Law, 2022-2025

Academic Standards and Policy Committee, Queen's University Faculty of Law, 2024

Appointments Committee, Queen's University Faculty of Law, 2021-2022

Strategic Planning Committee, Queen's University Faculty of Law, 2020-2021

Visitors Committee, Queen's University Faculty of Law, 2019-2020

#### STUDENT SUPERVISIONS

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Oyindamola Aje, LLM and PhD (supervisor)  
Evis Alimehmeti, PhD 2024 (co-supervision with Bev Baines)  
Abayomi Okubote, PhD 2022 (committee, internal examiner)  
Arun Balendran, Supervised Research 2025  
Sydney Prince, Supervised Research 2020

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Hon. Barrington D. Parker**, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, New York, NY, Law Clerk, 2014-2015

**Hon. Nicholas G. Garaufis**, U.S. District for the Eastern District of New York, Brooklyn, NY., Law Clerk, 2013-2014

**American Civil Liberties Union Washington Legislative Office**, Washington, D.C. Reproductive Freedom Project Intern, 2011

**Steptoe & Johnson**, Washington, D.C. Summer Associate, 2011

**Mr. Justice Frank Stock**, Vice President Court of Appeal of the High Court (as he then was), Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Marshall (summer clerk), 2011

#### BAR ADMISSION & LANGUAGES

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New York Bar (2013)

English (native), French (fluent), Mandarin (elementary), Cantonese (elementary)