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### **Employment History**

*Associate Professor*, Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, August 2019-present

Courses: Citizen Education and Participation Clinic I and II, Legal Research, Analysis and Writing I and II, Legal Theory: Lawyers and Social Movements, and Introduction to Law.

*Assistant Professor*, Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, August 2017-July, 2019.

Courses: Citizen Education and Participation Clinic and Legal Research I and II, Analysis and Writing I and II.

*Adjunct Professor*, Interdisciplinary Faculty of Humanistic and Social Studies of Sacred Heart University, Master's Program in Systems of Justice, August 2016-July 2017

Professor of the Monographic Research course of the Master's in Systems of Justice

*Coordinator of the Juris Doctor in English Program*, Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, July 2014-July 2017

In charge of coordinating the school's new Juris Doctor program in English, which was launched in August of 2015; professor of the Legal Research, Analysis and Writing I and II courses in the program in English and in charge of the Preparatory Course for the program. (I was the coordinator of the preparatory course until August of 2017. I currently teach the following courses: *Legal Practice and Social Responsibility*, *Class Dynamics and Exams* y *Legal Theories I y II*).

*Adjunct Professor*, Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, August 2013-July 2017

Founder of the Institute for Citizen Education and Participation and professor in charge of the clinical course affiliated to the Institute; professor of a course on Lawyering and Social Movements; Law and Poverty; Introduction to Law, and Legal Research, Analysis and Writing I and II.

*Associate Professor*, University of Puerto Rico School of Law, reinstated to position as Associate Professor after prevailing on administrative appeal in June of 2013. Requested and was granted an unpaid leave until July of 2014. Resigned in June of 2014.

*Attorney at Law*, Community Law Office, Inc., July 2013 (one month proposal financially supported by the Puerto Rico Department of Justice)

Developed a community strategy to address the issued of evictions of residents of public housing projects for lateness in payment of utilities/Revised the Office's Interviewing Guidelines.

*Translator, Red de Intérpretes y Traductores Asociados* and *Language Today*, 2013  
Translated legal and other types of documents from English to Spanish and from Spanish to English.

*Attorney at Law*, Self-employed, July 2008-September 2010/October 2011-present  
Solo practitioner with a civil law practice (strong emphasis on working *pro bono* with low-income communities facing the threat of displacement).

*Attorney at Law*, Community Law Office, Inc., April 2012-June 2012 (three months proposal financially supported by the Puerto Rico Department of Justice)  
Worked as an attorney in an organization dedicated to providing legal services to the low-income population of San Juan

*Part-time Professor*, Inter American University School of Law (San Juan, Puerto Rico), July 2009-August 2009  
Taught Introduction to Law, a two-week course for first year law school students

*Associate Professor*, University of Puerto Rico School of Law, July 2007-June 2008  
Courses taught: 1) Community Development Section of the Legal Aid Clinic, 2) Law and Poverty and 3) The Legal Profession

*Assistant Professor*, University of Puerto Rico School of Law, 2003-2007  
Courses taught: 1) Community Development Section of the Legal Aid Clinic, 2) Law and Poverty and 3) The Legal Profession. Also co-taught Law and Social Change (2006), a Legal Research seminar (2005) and taught a summer course about Community Development (2003).

*Adjunct Professor*, University of Puerto Rico School of Law, 2002-2003  
Started the Community Development Section of the Legal Aid Clinic, first of its kind in Puerto Rico (on a part time basis)

*Adjunct Professor*, Inter American University School of Law (San Juan, Puerto Rico), 2001-2003  
Taught Legal Research, Analysis and Writing to two sections (2001-2002) and one section (2002-2003)

*Attorney*, Bauzá & Dávila (San Juan, Puerto Rico), 2001  
Worked in a small civil litigation firm specializing in representing municipalities and insurance companies in tort cases

*Attorney*, Litigation Division, Legal Department, Municipality of San Juan (Puerto Rico), October 2000-December 2000  
Counsel for the Municipality of San Juan in civil cases

*Spanish Interpreter*, Judicial Language Center/Office of Court Interpreter Services, Massachusetts State Courts, Boston, Massachusetts, 1997-1999

Acted as a Spanish interpreter in the Massachusetts State Courts in numerous cases in the criminal and family courts

*Paralegal*, Centro Presente, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1998-1999

Helped prepare applications under NACARA (Nicaraguan and Central American Relief Act) for immigrants qualifying for legal permanent resident status

*Volunteer Attorney*, Battered Immigrant Women's Advocacy Project, Refugee Law Center, Boston, Massachusetts, 1997-1998

Provided legal advice and filed applications for legal permanent resident status on behalf of immigrant women under the Violence Against Women Act

*Law Clerk*, Hon. Federico Hernández-Denton, Associate Justice, Supreme Court of Puerto Rico, 1995-1996

Conducted research and wrote legal memoranda on a wide range of legal issues

*Law Clerk*, Gender Bias Task Force, Puerto Rico State Courts, 1994-1995

Conducted research and wrote legal memoranda on gender discrimination issues

## **Education**

*Master of Arts in the Sociology of Law*, International Institute for the Sociology of Law (Oñati, Basque Country, Spain), 2011

Thesis: *¡Los Filtros Luchan! A Case Study of Lawyering and Participatory Democracy: Participatory Lobbying as a Strategy for Working with Marginalized Communities*

*Magister Juris*, University of Oxford, 2000

*LL.M.*, Harvard Law School, 1997

LL.M. Paper: *Alternative Lawyering: The use of popular education methods by lawyers doing community based advocacy*

*J.D.*, University of Puerto Rico School of Law, *magna cum laude*, 1994

*B.A.*, Georgetown University (Government and French), 1990

## **Related Academic Experience**

*Visiting Researcher*, Harvard Law School, 1997-1999

Worked with Professor Lucie E. White conducting an evaluation of a culturally specific drug treatment program for Latinas; Conducted research regarding immigrant women and the law. (Courses audited: *Law and Development*, *Research Colloquium about Poverty Issues* and *Legal History Seminar: Women and the Law*)

*Participant in Georgetown Law School's Summer Program, European University Institute, Florence, Italy, 1993. (Courses taken: Public International Law and European Community Law)*

## **Publications**

*El Verano de Puerto Rico del 2019: The Puerto Rican Summer of 2019 as an example of mobilization in the age of "neoliberalism", in progress.* This paper is being written in both English and Spanish for the 2020 SELA Conference (Seminar in Latin America on Constitutional and Political Theory) held yearly by Yale Law School. It will be eventually published as part of the SELA book in Argentina and later on, the English version will be published online on the Yale Law School Library webpage.

*Puerto Rico: Reflexiones sobre el llamado "Verano Puertorriqueño del 2019",* short essay sent and accepted for publication in *Revista Memoria*, a political journal published in Mexico City, Mexico, February, 2020.

*Puerto Rico No se Vende: Haciendo malabares desde una clínica de asistencia legal en los tiempos de "austeridad" y del reinado de la Junta de Control Fiscal en el Puerto Rico pos-María.* (Puerto Rico is Not For Sale: Struggling from a legal aid clinic in times of "austerity" and the reign of the Fiscal Control Board in Post-María Puerto Rico)

This paper was written in both English and Spanish for the 2018 SELA Conference (Seminar in Latin America on Constitutional and Political Theory) held yearly by Yale Law School. It will be published as part of the SELA book in Argentina and later on, the English version will be published online on the Yale Law School Library webpage.

*Reflexiones sobre la creación de la primera clínica de abogacía comunitaria en Puerto Rico,* essay published in a law review dedicated to legal education, Faculty of Law of the University of Buenos Aires, Argentina: *ACADEMIA*, year 11, No. 21, 2013, pp. 69-89. Buenos Aires, Argentina (ISSN 1667-4154).

*Abogacía y Movimientos Sociales: Una historia sobre la Coalición "Cero Desalojos" de Puerto Rico* in *Violencia, legitimidad y orden público*, article in a book published by Librería (Argentina), 2013, pp. 103-128

*Lawyers and "Social" Movements: A story about the Puerto Rico "Zero Evictions" Coalition,* English version available through the Internet of the article published by Librería (Argentina) which was a paper presented during the Seminar in Latin America on Constitutional and Political Theory (SELA) of 2012, yearly seminar organized by Yale Law School.

*¡Los Filtros Luchan! A Case Study of Lawyering and Participatory Democracy: Participatory Lobbying as a Strategy for Working with Marginalized Communities,* *Oñati Socio-Legal Series*, Vol. 2 No. 1 (2012).

*Counter-hegemonic work as a lawyer: The role of the lawyer working with marginalized groups in the age of “global governance”*, 45 Rev. Jur. U.I.P.R. 399 (2011)

*Comentario: La experiencia de enseñar un curso de Derecho y Pobreza en Puerto Rico: Ensayo sobre el Discrimen contra las Personas de Escasos Recursos Económicos*, 79 Rev. Jur. U.P.R. 1267 (2010)

*Community Lawyering in Puerto Rico: Promoting Empowerment and Self-Help*, published in the *International Journal of Clinical Legal Education* (winter 2007). This paper is a revised English translation of a paper that was previously published in Argentina. The paper was written in both English and Spanish initially, for the SELA Conference (Seminar in Latin America on Constitutional and Political Theory) held yearly by Yale Law School.

“*No me des el pescado, enseñame a pescar*”, article in book titled *Derecho y Pobreza*, published by Editores del Puerto (Argentina) in 2006. The paper was presented at SELA.

*Comentario: Pueblo v. Rivera Robles y Pueblo v. Rivera Morales: ¿Protección de la Mujer o Paternalismo?*, 64 Rev. Jur. U.P.R. 123 (1995)

## **Presentations**

*El Verano de Puerto Rico del 2019: The Puerto Rican Summer of 2019 as an example of mobilization in the age of “neoliberalism”*, forthcoming presentation at the Seminario en Latinoamérica de Teoría Constitucional y Política (Seminar in Latin America on Constitutional and Political Theory-SELA) organized by Yale Law School, Santiago, Chile Puerto Rico, June 2021 (forthcoming).

*What are Critical Legal Studies?*, presentation in the form of a dialogue with another professor to student members of the *Revista de Estudios Críticos del Derecho de la Facultad de Derecho la Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico (Critical Legal Studies Law Review of the Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law)*, February 7, 2020.

*El Canon 1 del Código de Ética Profesional y el problema de acceso a la justicia (Canon 1 of the Professional Code of Ethics and the problem of access to justice)*, course offered as part of the Continuing Legal Education Program, Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, November 13, 2019.

Book Presentation, MEMORIAS DE UN PUEBLO POBRE EN LUCHA DE CARLOS “TASO” ZENÓN, Jornada sobre Vieques, Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, May 3, 2019.

*Critical Legal Studies*, Presentation of Volume XIV, *Revista de Estudios Críticos del Derecho de la Facultad de Derecho la Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico (Critical Legal Studies Law Review of the Inter American University of Puerto Rico*

*School of Law*), Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, April 26, 2019.

*Trousers and Skirts: The Case of Karina and the Implementation of a Gender Perspective in Public Education in Puerto Rico*, presentation at the Challenging Fundamentalisms Ideology, Public Policy, Law and Gender Equality Conference, University of the West Indies, Mona-Campus, Kingston, Jamaica, February 22, 2019.

*La importancia del Canon 3: Educación al público sobre sus derechos (Canon 3's Importance: Public Education about Citizens' Rights)*, course offered as part of the Continuing Legal Education Program, Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, February 1, 2019.

Moderator, *Puerto Rico No se Vende: El desplazamiento de todo un país: Reflexiones a un año de María*, organized by the *Pro Social Justice* student organization, Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, September 20, 2018.

*Puerto Rico no se vende: Haciendo malabares desde una clínica de asistencia legal en los tiempos de austeridad y del reinado de la Junta de Control de Fiscal en el Puerto Rico pos-María* (Puerto Rico is Not For Sale: Struggling from a legal aid clinic in times of "austerity" and the reign of the Fiscal Control Board in Post-María Puerto Rico), presentation at the Seminario en Latinoamérica de Teoría Constitucional y Política (Seminar in Latin America on Constitutional and Political Theory-SELA) organized by Yale Law School, San Juan, Puerto Rico, June 10, 2018.

*Mujer, género, derecho y luchas comunitarias: Reflexiones de una abogada comunitaria y de un líder comunitario* (Woman, gender, law and community struggles: Reflections from a community lawyer and a community activist), presentation at the VII International Conference "Mujer, género y derecho" (Law, Gender and Law), Havana, Cuba, May 17, 2019.

*Lawyering and Social Movements: Stories from Puerto Rico, Law and Citizenship Beyond the States*, presentation at the Research Committee for the Sociology of Law of the International Sociological Association Conference, Lisboa, Portugal, September 11, 2018.

*The use of popular education theory and methods in community based advocacy work and participatory lobbying in our globalizing world*, presentation at the Globalisation at the Crossroads: Rethinking Inequalities and Boundaries Conference, organized by EADI (European Association of Development Research and Training Institutes), NFU (Norwegian Association of Development Research), University of Bergen (UiB) and Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI), Bergen, Norway, August 2017.

*Los Filtros Luchan! Participatory Lobbying as a Strategy for Working with Marginalized Communities*, presentation at the International Journal of Clinical Legal Education Conference, Newcastle University Law School, United Kingdom, July, 2017.

*Women and Resistance: The fight for the right to the city*, presentation at the National Colloquium for Women, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez Campus, April 3, 2017.

*Community Lawyering*, workshop offered at the *Caribbean Social Justice and Pro Bono Lawyering Meeting* organized by U-RAP (*University of the West Indies Rights Advocacy Project*), Port Au Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, December 1, 2016.

*Moderator*, Forum: *The Right to Protest*, organized by the Pro Social Justice Movement, Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, November 3, 2016.

Participant in Panel: *About pants, skirts and rights: The situation in the Juana Colón School in Comerío*, organized by the Citizen Education and Participation Clinic of the Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, September 29, 2016.

*Clinical Legal Education*, presentation at the Third International Conference of Legal Education held at the Faculty of Law of the University of Buenos Aires, October 28, 2016.

Commentator, Roundtable celebrated after the Inter American Commission on Human Rights Hearing regarding “Public Debt, Fiscal Policy and Poverty in Puerto Rico”, Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, April 4, 2016.

“*You are an academic, not an activist*”, presentation at the *Poverty Law: Academic Activism Conference*, University of Seattle Law School, Washington, February 20, 2016.

*Theory, Politics and Law*, presentation in a panel with that title at the First Conference for Political Science and Society, University of Puerto Rico, Mayagüez, Puerto Rico, October 29, 2015.

*Freedom with Bars: Criminal Record and Its Impact on Rehabilitation*, participant in panel organized by the Pro Social Justice Movement, Inter American University of Puerto Rico, School of Law, November 6, 2014.

*Gender Litigation in Latin America*, presentation at the *Joint Journal of Law and Gender and Lambda Colloquium* at Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, September 26, 2014.

*Presentation of Volume X of CLAVE, Critical Legal Studies Law Review*, Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, San Juan, Puerto Rico, August 22, 2014.

*Discrimination and Gender Stereotypes*, continuing legal education seminar organized by *Pro Bono, Inc.* (co-instructor), San Juan, Puerto Rico, November 15, 2013.

*Gender and Poverty*, presentation given as part of the *First Colloquium on Sociological Debates: Inequality, Violence and Crime* held at the Metropolitan Campus of the Inter American University of Puerto Rico, San Juan, Puerto Rico, October 8, 2013.

*Legal Education: A Proposal for Reform*, presentation at the Bi-Annual LatCrit Conference, Chicago, Illinois, October 4, 2013.

*New Lawyering Trends: Legal Empowerment*, participation in a discussion session organized by the Pro Social Justice Movement student organization of the Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, August 29, 2013.

*Juan Santiago Nieves Seminar: Canon 1 of the Puerto Rico Code of Professional Ethics for Lawyers*, continuing legal education course organized by Pro Bono, Inc. (co-instructor), Mayagüez, Puerto Rico, May 28, 2013.

*Creating spaces where voices from the marginalized can emerge: The proposed changes to the electricity and water subsidies given to residents of public housing projects in Puerto Rico*, presentation given during the *LatCrit South North Exchange*, Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, May 18, 2013.

*Marginalized Communities and Access to Justice*, presentation given during a seminar organized by the Puerto Rico Judicial Academy, San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 3, 2013.

*Juan Santiago Nieves Seminar: Canon 1 of the Puerto Rico Code of Professional Ethics for Lawyers*, continuing legal education course organized by Pro Bono, Inc. (co-instructor), San Juan, Puerto Rico, April 10, 2013.

*The Puerto Rico "Zero Evictions" Coalition*, presentation during the Regional Latin American Meeting for Legal Empowerment Professionals organized by Namati, Buenos Aires, Argentina, September 2012.

*Lawyers and "Social" Movements: A story about the Puerto Rico "Zero Evictions" Coalition*, paper presented at *SELA, Seminar in Latin America on Constitutional and Political Theory*, organized by Yale Law School, México City, México, June 2012.

*Introduction to Popular Education Theory and Methods*, workshop for lawyers affiliated to the National Association of Environmental Law (*ANDA*), San Juan, Puerto Rico, November 2011.

*Civil Disobedience: Democracy Beyond Elections--Legal and Political Aspects*, presentation as part of a panel organized by the National Association of Law Students (*ANED*) chapter of the Inter American University School of Law, San Juan, Puerto Rico, November 2011.

*The Use of Popular Education Methods by Lawyers*, presentation to students from the Pro Bono Environmental Law Group of the University of Puerto Rico School of Law, San Juan, Puerto Rico, October 2011.

Participant in *Access to Justice Round Table* organized by the Puerto Rico Judicial Branch, San Juan, Puerto Rico, August 2011.

*Lawyers, Poverty, Social Change and the Use of Popular Education Methods*, presentation to students of the *Inter Nos* street law project of the Inter American University School of Law, San Juan, Puerto Rico, September 2010.



*Community Based Advocacy and Immigrants in the United States: strategies for new NGO's in Puerto Rico*, First Immigration Conference organized by the University of Puerto Rico School of Law's *Pro Bono* Orientation to Immigrants' Project, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2009.

*Poverty in Puerto Rico and the Legislation Related to "Special Communities": The Role of Attorneys*, participant in seminar for Puerto Rico State Judges organized by the Puerto Rico Judicial Academy, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2008.

*The Proposed Demolition of the Las Gladiolas Public Housing Project as an Example of Racism in Puerto Rico*, public hearings held by the United Nations Special Rapporteur in charge of investigating racism in the United States, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2008.

*Gladiolas Vive!: Promoting Empowerment and Self-Help*, Faculty Seminar, University of Puerto Rico School of Law, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2008.

*Gladiolas Vive!: Promoting Empowerment and Self-Help*, Latin American Speaker Series, Columbia Law School, New York, 2008.

*Community Lawyering*, Initiation of *Phi Alpha Delta* Fraternity, University of Puerto Rico School of Law chapter, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2007.

Moderator: *Second Access to Justice Conference* organized by the Puerto Rico Bar Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2007.

*The Law of Eminent Domain in Puerto Rico, Puerto Rico No Se Vende* Conference organized by the UPR School of Law Civil Rights Workshop, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2007.

*Alternative Lawyering Methods*, Annual Conference of the *Universidad del Rosario* Law Faculty's Alumni, Girardot, Colombia, 2007.

*Community Lawyering in Puerto Rico: Promoting Empowerment and Self-Help*, Law Faculty, *Universidad del Rosario*, Bogotá, Colombia, 2007.

*Community Lawyering in Puerto Rico: Promoting Empowerment and Self-Help, Joint Meeting of the Law and Society Association and the Research Committee on the Sociology of Law*, Berlin, Germany, 2007.

*Community Lawyering in Puerto Rico: Promoting Empowerment and Self-Help*, Fifth World Conference of the *International Journal of Clinical Legal Education*, Johannesburg, South Africa, 2007.

*The Role of the Universities* at the *First Access to Justice Conference* organized by the Puerto Rico Bar Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2007.

*Community Lawyering in Puerto Rico: Promoting Empowerment and Self-Help, Symposium Resistance and the Law: Radicalism, Extremism, Legitimacy, Co-*

*Optation* organized by *Unbound: Harvard Journal of the Legal Left*, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 2007.

*Expropriations and Economic Development*, Law and Government Forum, University of Puerto Rico School of Law, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2007.

*Community Lawyering in Puerto Rico: Promoting Empowerment and Self-Help*, Fourth World Conference of the *Global Alliance for Justice Education (GAJE)*, Córdoba, Argentina, 2006.

*Community Eviction and Removal Legal Workshop*, Puerto Rican Social Forum, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2006.

*Community Eviction and Removal Legal Workshop*, Initial Workshop of the Puerto Rican Social Forum, Arroyo, Puerto Rico, 2006.

*Housing Rights Workshop: Expropriations, Evictions and Removals* organized by the Community Education Commission of the Puerto Rico Bar Association, Mayagüez, Puerto Rico, 2006.

*The Right to Housing in Puerto Rico*, First National Conference towards Decolonization (CONADE), San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2006.

Co-moderator of round table discussion about legal education, *Teaching from the Left* conference, organized by the *European Law Research Center* at Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 2006.

“*No me des el pescado, enséñame a pescar*”, Faculty Seminar, University of Puerto Rico School of Law, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2005.

Opening remarks: *The Social Responsibility of the Law Student and Lawyer*, Annual Ceremony of the National Association of Law Students, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2005.

*How to be Successful in Law School?: Workshop for First Year Law Students*, organized by the *Phi Alpha Delta* Fraternity at the University of Puerto Rico School Law, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2005.

*Housing Rights Workshop: Expropriations, Evictions and Removals* organized by the Community Education Commission of the Puerto Rico Bar Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2005.

*Housing as a Human Right*, Annual Assembly of Amnesty International’s Puerto Rico chapter, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2005.

“*No me des el pescado, enséñame a pescar*”, *SELA, Seminar in Latin America on Constitutional and Political Theory*, organized by Yale Law School, Río de Janeiro, Brazil, 2005.

*Housing Rights Workshop for Low-Income Communities: Expropriations, Evictions and Removals*, Senate Building, Puerto Rico State Legislature, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2005.

*Community Based Advocacy in Puerto Rico*, World Conference of the Research Committee for the Sociology of Law of the International Sociological Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2004.

Participant in Governor's Round Table on the Special Communities Program, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2004.

*The Right to Democratic Participation*, XIII Civil Rights Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2004.

*The Role of the University of Puerto Rico in the Relocation Process of the Quebrada Juan Méndez sector in Capetillo*, First Symposium of *Project Río Piedras*, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2004.

## **Activities**

Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law: 2013-present

### *Clinical work:*

Since 2013 I have supervised students from the Citizen Education and Participation Clinic. They have created their own projects such as: drafting and lobbying of bills, appearance at public hearings in the Legislative Assembly to express themselves on bills, written presentations submitted to the Legislative Assembly, appearances in public hearings before administrative agencies, lobbying workshops for leaders of public housing, legal consultations in the public square of Castañer and in the San Fernando and Nemesio Canales public housing projects, guidance on how to exercise the right to vote, organization of visits to the court for young people in temporary home, workshop for young people on the use of the internet and the right to privacy, discussion on the new Adoption Law, discussion on the rights of the hearing impaired community, cinema forums on documentaries and films that address legal issues (expropriation, evictions, rights of the LGBTTIQ community), conference on the rights of communities with functional diversity, drafting of information brochures on legal issues, legal workshops in public schools and legal accompaniment / advice to groups and communities with controversies before the Executive Branch or at the municipal level (attendance at meetings in La Fortaleza (Executive Mansion) or with officials of the Executive Branch or Municipalities).

### *Other activities:*

President, Faculty Formative Evaluations Committee, September 2020-present

Member, Policy Matters related to Faculty Members Committee (University Council), September 2020-present

Law School representative to the University Council, September 2020-present

Law School's Academic Senate, Member of the Executive Committee, September, 2019-present

President, Student Matters Committee (Academic Senate), September 2019-present

Member, Bar Exam Committee, September 2019-present

Faculty Advisor, *Phi Alpha Delta* Law Fraternity, August 2019-present.

Member, Electoral Board (Student Elections), August 2018-present

Faculty advisor, Pro Social Justice Movement student organization, August 2014-July 2017 (informally), August 2017-present (formally).

Faculty advisor, CLAVE, Critical Legal Studies Law Review, 2013-July 2017 (informally), August 2017-present (formally).

Taught *Community Lawyering* class to students from the UDC David A. Clarke School of Law and Western New England University School of Law enrolled in a one week intensive course at Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, 2017 and 2018

Co-Writer of the section regarding the historically marginalized community of Vieques, Puerto Rico, in report submitted to the Inter American Commission on Human Rights, 2017.

Participant in *Trayecto Dignidad*, human rights research and public education project, 2015 and 2017.

Coordinator for the Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law's student delegation to the *Rebellious Lawyering Conference*, held annually at Yale Law School, 2014 and 2015.

Coordinator for an Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law's student delegation to Columbia Law School, New York, February, 2014.

Judge during the *Brown Mosten International Client Counseling Competition*, held at the Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law, April 2014.

#### University of Puerto Rico School of Law: 2002-2008

Coordinator for the University of Puerto Rico School of Law's student delegation to the *Rebellious Lawyering Conference*, held annually at Yale Law School, 2005-2008.

Participation in documentaries made about the communities with which the Community Development section of the University of Puerto Rico School of Law's Legal Aid Clinic has worked: Los Filtros (Tu TV, local public channel), 2005; Las

Gladiolas (Producciones Cabeza, non profit organization), 2006; *Prohibido Olvidar: the life of Alejita Firpi* (leader of the Santa Rita community) (Tu TV, local public channel), 2006; and *Del cielo a la tierra* (about community movements in Puerto Rico) (Tu TV, local public channel), 2008

Participation in two television programs regarding the Las Gladiolas community, Barrio TV, community press, 2008

Participation in several local radio programs regarding the legal aspects of evictions and removals, 2002-2008

Member of the local organizing committee for the Annual Conference of the *Research Committee for the Sociology of Law of the International Sociological Association* (2004) and the SELA conference held in San Juan, Puerto Rico (2007)

Faculty Advisor to first year law students, 2003-2007

Faculty Advisor to the Pro Bono Orientation to Immigrants' Project (2007-2008) and the Civil Rights Workshop (2006-2008)

Participant in the Open House for Prospective Students/Orientation to New Law Students, 2003-2004

Member of CAUCE (*Centro de Acción Urbana, Comunitaria y Empresarial*) (*Center for Urban, Community and Business Activities*) at the University of Puerto Rico, a multidisciplinary community and university project (2003-2008)

Member of several Faculty committees: Student Affairs, Self-Evaluation of the Legal Aid Clinic, and Gender Discrimination

Faculty Advisor to the Law Review Board (several academic years)

Attended *Can Law Be Emancipatory? Workshop* conducted by Boaventura De Sousa Santos, Eugenio María De Hostos Law Faculty, Mayagüez, Puerto Rico, 2007

Attended the *World Conference of Legal Theory and Philosophy*, held in Cracow, Poland, 2007

### **Licenses**

Admitted to the Puerto Rico Bar in 1995

Admitted to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit Bar in 1995

Admitted to the U.S. District Court for the District of Puerto Rico Bar in 2006

### **Professional and Academic Affiliations**

Visiting Professor, *Oñati International Institute for the Sociology of Law*, Course that will be taught: *Lawyers and Social Movements*, December 2020

Member of the Research Committee of Experts on Criminalization, Violence and Discrimination against LGBTI individuals in the Caribbean region and Latin America, ILANUD *Instituto Latinoamericano de las Naciones Unidas para la Prevención del Delito y Tratamiento del Delincuente* (United Nations Latin American Institute for the Prevention of Crime and Treatment of People Convicted of Crimes), July 2017-present

Member of Red *ALAS*, Latin American Network of Legal Academics seeking to promote reforms for legal education with a gender perspective in Latin America, April 2017-present

Member of URAP Caribono Project, (*University of the West Indies Rights Advocacy Project*), December 2016-present

Member of the Editorial Board of *Academia*, Law Review about Legal Pedagogy of the Faculty of Law of the University of Buenos Aires, April 2016-present

Member of SELA, *Seminario en Latinoamérica de Teoría Constitucional y Política* (Seminar in Latin America on Constitutional and Political Theory), June 2004-present

Past Member of the Latin American Legal Empowerment Network supported by *Namati*, an NGO dedicated to the promotion of legal empowerment, 2012-2014.

Past Member of the Community Education Commission (2004-2006), Human Rights Commission (2006-2008) and Pro Bono Program (2008-2017) of the Puerto Rico Bar Association

## **Languages**

Fluent in English and Spanish  
Proficient in French

## **Awards and Honors**

Awards/Special Recognition given by low-income communities and organizations with whom the community development section of the University of Puerto Rico School of Law's Legal Aid Clinic has worked: Los Filtros Community (2003), Coalition of Community Leaders (2005), Capetillo Community (2006), Las Gladiolas community (2009)

University of Puerto Rico School of Law Student Council and Civil Rights Workshop Award for Faculty Excellence: "for inspiring us and teaching us to be engaged with social change; for showing us that social justice, more than an aspiration, should be our goal" 2007

URBE Architectural Excellence Award: Public Servant, Defender of the Right to the City, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2006

Theberge Memorial Scholarship, St. Peter's College, University of Oxford, 1999-2000

Joint Scholarship for Graduate Studies in Law awarded by the Supreme Court, of Puerto Rico, the Justice Department of Puerto Rico and the University of Puerto Rico, 1996-1997

Scholarship for Graduate Studies in Law awarded by the Puerto Rico Bar Association, 1996-1997

*Pedro Albizu Campos Student Leadership Award*, given by the University of Puerto Rico School of Law's Student Council, 1994