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**EMPLOYMENT**

**Academic:**

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Philadelphia, PA  
[1983-Present]

James E. Beasley Professor of Law

Taught courses in securities regulation, advanced securities, corporations, contracts, contract remedies, international trade and investment, international commercial transactions, European Union law, advanced corporate problems, comparative commercial law, Spanish for lawyers, business mergers & acquisitions and comparative private law.

PONTIFICIA UNIVERSIDAD COMILLAS, FACULTAD DE DERECHO  
Madrid, Spain  
(Fall 2024)

Visiting Professor of Law

Lectured to students, faculty and alumni on a number of US and comparative legal issues. Engaged in

research collaboration with several colleagues.

FACULTAD LIBRE DE DERECHO DE MONTERREY, Monterrey, Mexico  
[Spring 2023]

Visiting Professor of Law

Taught course in international business transactions  
(Online)

LUISS GUIDO CARLI UNIVERSITY, FACULTY OF JURISPRUDENCE,  
Rome, Italy  
[May 2013, May 2014, May 2016, May 2018]

Visiting Professor of Law

Lectured to graduate and undergraduate students  
in the areas of securities regulation, corporations,  
comparative law and international trade law.

UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO SCHOOL OF LAW  
Río Piedras, PR  
[Summer 1986,1999]

Visiting Professor of Law

Taught courses in securities regulation and transnational  
insolvency in Spanish).

INTER-AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO-SCHOOL OF LAW  
Hato Rey, PR  
[August 2011]

Visiting Professor of Law

Taught brief intensive course in US Securities  
regulation.

UNIVERSITY OF ROME-TEMPLE UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL,  
Summer Session Abroad, [Summer 1984, 2010].

Professor of Law

Taught comparative commercial law, European Union law  
and introduction to American law.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL-CAMDEN, Camden, NJ  
[January-May 1993]

Visiting Professor of Law

Taught courses in European Economic Community  
law and Corporations.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, WHARTON SCHOOL OF  
BUSINESS, LAUDER INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL  
MANAGEMENT, Philadelphia, PA [Fall 1991, 1993,  
1995]

Adjunct Lecturer

Taught course in Latin American business law  
(In Spanish) to Lauder Institute MA/MBA Candidates

UNIVERSITY OF ATHENS-TEMPLE UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, Summer  
Session Abroad, [Summer 1987-89]

Associate Professor of Law

Taught comparative private law.

UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO SCHOOL OF LAW, Río Piedras, PR  
[Summer 1986,1999]

Visiting Professor of Law

Taught courses in securities regulation and  
transnational insolvency in Spanish).

**Private Practice:**

VALDES-FAULI, RICHARDSON & COBB, Miami, FL [1982-1983]

Associate

Experience in corporate, commercial, business, and international matters, including joint ventures, banking, offshore corporations, securities, trademarks and Latin American law.

DILWORTH, PAXSON, KALISH & KAUFFMAN, Philadelphia, PA [1977-1982]

Associate

Experience in arbitration and all phases of litigation in state and federal courts, (including jury and non-jury trials) in the following areas of substantive law: antitrust, commercial, and corporate, construction contracts, insurance, No-Fault Act, products liability defense, railroad reorganization, securities and torts.

MORGAN, LEWIS & BOCKIUS, Philadelphia, PA and Washington, D.C. [Summer 1976]

Summer Associate

O'NEILL & BORGES, Hato Rey, PR [Summer 1975, Summer 1976]

Summer Associate

**Consultant:**

AMERICAN LAW INSTITUTE, Philadelphia, PA [1993-2003]

Consultant, Project on International Insolvency

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, LAW & JUSTICE COMMITTEE, Harrisburg,  
PA [1985-1987]

Consultant on S.1200 and S. 599, Bills amending and  
Re-codifying Pennsylvania's corporate statutes.

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT  
(WORLD BANK), Washington, DC [1995-1998]

Consultant on a project evaluating the  
harmonization of competition law and policy in the  
MERCOSUR member states.

**Other Employment.**

AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION [1983-Present]

Arbitrator. Member of the commercial, international,  
Complex litigation panels.

FINANCIAL INDUSTRY REGULATORY AUTHORITY. [1985-Present]

Arbitrator on securities industry disputes.

**ADMISSION TO THE BAR**

Pennsylvania- 1977  
Puerto Rico- 1977  
Florida- 1982  
New York- 1984

**EDUCATION**

YALE LAW SCHOOL, New Haven, CT.

Juris Doctor (1977).

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY  
OF PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia, PA.

Master of Arts in Political Science (1974).

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF  
PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia, PA.

Bachelor of Arts, Magna Cum Laude, (1974). Majors:  
Political Science and History.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Books**

Bolivar's Impossible Dream: Latin American Trade  
Integration Organizations, Carolina Academic Press  
(2024)

MERCOSUR: The Common Market of the Southern Cone,  
Carolina Academic Press (2005)

**Awarded Second Prize, Best Book of the Year Competition, Inter-American  
Bar Association, El Salvador (2006)**

Política Sobre La Competencia en MERCOSUR, (with  
Rowat and Lubrano) World Bank Technical Paper No.  
385 (Spanish Version) (1998).

Competition Policy and MERCOSUR, (with Rowat and  
Lubrano) World Bank Technical Papers #385 (1997)

### **Book Chapters**

'Punitive Damages and Civil Damages in United States

Law' in Mossa Verre & Gullo, Eds. *Gli Illeciti Punitivi Civili*, (Giappichelli) (2026).

'Action to Declare Non-Compliance: Court of Justice of the Andean Community of Nations' in Max Planck Encyclopaedia of International Procedural Law (2021)

'Nullity Action: Court of Justice of the Andean Community of Nations' in Max Planck Encyclopaedia Of International Procedural Law (2019)

'Theories of Economic Development" in Max Planck Encyclopaedia of Public International Law (2018)

'Bush v. Gore' in Max Planck Encyclopaedia of Comparative Constitutional Law (2016)

'Andean Community,' (Update) in Max Planck Encyclopaedia of Public International Law. (2012)

'Andean Community Court of Justice' (Update) in Max Planck Encyclopaedia of Public International Law. (2012)

'Andean Community,' in Max Planck Encyclopaedia of Public International Law. (2007)

'Andean Community Court of Justice' in Max Planck Encyclopaedia of Public International Law. (2007)

'United States Regulation of International Trade: Selected Topics' in Introduction to International Business Law: Legal Transactions in a Global Economy (Oceana) (1996)

## Articles

'A Comparative Dissection of the Regulation of Crypto Investments and Securities Across the Atlantic" (with Pablo Sanz Bayón) William & Mary Business Law Review. (Forthcoming) (2026)

'La Practica del Arbitraje bajo la Nueva Ley de Arbitraje de Puerto Rico'. XXX Revista Académica de la Academia Puertorriqueña de Jurisprudencia y Legislación XXX (2026)

'La Nueva Ley de Arbitraje de Puerto Rico: Una Introducción,' Iurgium (formerly Spain Arbitration Review) 53/2025.

'Novedades Judiciales: Los Tribunales Norteamericanos Endosan la Aplicación del Contrato Arbitral a Terceros,' Iurgium (formerly Spain Arbitration Review) 52/2025.

'ALBA and UNASUR: Back to the Future?' 20 Santa Clara Journal of International Law, (Vol.2)1 (2022).

'Resolving the Crowdfunding Conundrum: The Experience of the United States and Spain,' 9 American University Business Law Journal (Vol.2)219(2020).

'Institutionalist and Populist Court Systems: A Comparative Assessment', XVI Revista Académica de la Academia Puertorriqueña de Jurisprudencia y Legislación (2020).

'The Lawyer as Historian: Henry Richardson and *The Origins of African American Interests in International Law*' Temple International & Comparative Law Journal (2017)

'Book Review: Guido Calabresi's *the Future of Law and Economics*' 2 Italian Law Review 102 (2016)

'MERCOSUR at Twenty: From Adolescence to Adulthood?' 27 Temple International & Comparative Law Journal 1 (2013)

'Economic Paradigms and Latin American Development Theory: The Search for Nirvana' 17 Berkeley La Raza Law Journal 51 (2006)

'The Geneva Conventions and their Applicability to the 'War on Terror' 14 Temple Political & Civil Rights Law Review 101 (2006)

'MERCOSUR: The Common Market of the Twenty-First Century?' 32 Georgia International & Comparative Law Journal 1 (2004)

'John M. Lindsey, Professor Emeritus, 1932-1998' 12 Temple International & Comparative Law Journal 1 (1998)

'The Gulf War and United Nations Actions with Respect to Breaches of the Peace: Achieving the New World Order' 11 Wisconsin International Law Journal 259 (November 1994)

'Privatization of Public Enterprises in Latin America,' (With Wegen) American Society of International Law Proc. 124 (1993)

'The Philippine Bases and Status of Forces Agreement: Lessons for the Future' 137 Military Law Review 67 (1992)

'Estados Unidos: La Experiencia y Nuevas Tendencias Sobre El Arbitraje y los Métodos Alternos Para la Resolución de Controversias' Seminario Arbitraje Comercial y Métodos Alternos para la Resolución de Controversias La Paz, Bolivia (1990)

'The Restructuring of the Relationship between Shareholders and the Corporate Entity: Reflections on Berle and Means' 94 Dickinson Law Review 99 (1989)

'The New Pennsylvania Corporation Law-A Horse Designed

by Committee' 59 Temple Law Quarterly 437 (1986)

'Amending the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977:  
Repeating the Mistakes of the Past?' 38 Rutgers Law  
Review 29 (1985)

### **Other Publications**

American Law Institute, Transnational Insolvency:  
Cooperation among the  
NAFTA Countries.

International Statement of United States Bankruptcy Law  
International Statement of Canadian Bankruptcy Law

Editor of Spanish Editions.

Academia Puertorriqueña de Jurisprudencia y  
Legislación:  
Anteproyecto Ley de Arbitraje de Puerto Rico  
(Proposed Bill for a new arbitration law for  
Puerto Rico)

Member, Drafting Committee

### **Scholarly Presentations**

Full Listing Available Upon Request.

#### **International:**

1. Presentations on various areas of United States and  
Comparative Law before: XI Congreso de Academias de  
Jurisprudencia (Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic 2024; La  
Sapienza, Università di Roma (Italy, 2024) Universidad  
Pontificia Comillas (Madrid) (2023)(2024); Università delle  
Marche (Italy, 2022); LUISS Guido Carli University (Italy

2020,2021); Convegno Nazionale di Studi: Materiali e Proposte per un Codice Unitario della Justizia Tributaria (Rome, Italy-June 2014); Consiglio Nazionale Forense (Rome, Italy); and Association Internationale des Jeunes Avocats Annual Meeting, Munich, Germany (September 1988).

2. Presentations on Crowdfunding and United States Securities Law before: Pontificia Universidad Comillas (Madrid, Spain) (May 2016, March 2017)

3. Presentations on various areas of United States law as part of the Temple University-La Sapienza Head Start Lecture Series (2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016,2017, 2018, 2019, 2022, 2023, 2024).

4. Presentations (in Spanish) on various topics of United States law before: Universidad de la República and Universidad de Montevideo, Montevideo Uruguay (Sponsor: US Embassy, Uruguay) (March 2004); National Association of Notaries (Mexico), Juarez, Mexico (September 1993).

5. Presentations (in Spanish) on European Union Law before: Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de Mexico, Mexico, DF (June 1992).

6. Presentations (in Spanish) on International Commercial Arbitration (Sponsor: Inter-American Bar Foundation/USAID) before: Bogota Chamber of Commerce, Bogota, Colombia (March 1992); Medellin Chamber of Commerce and Medellin Bar Association, Medellin, Colombia (March 1992); Guayaquil Chamber of Commerce, Guayaquil, Ecuador (March 1992); Quito Chamber of Commerce, Quito, Ecuador (March 1992); Caracas Chamber of Commerce, Caracas, Venezuela (January 1992); Santamaria University, Caracas, Venezuela (January 1992); Andrés Bello Catholic University, Caracas Venezuela (January 1992); Chamber of Commerce of Santo Domingo, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic (January 1992); National Bar Association of the Dominican Republic, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic (January 1992); Chambers of Commerce of La Paz and Santa Cruz, Bolivia (November 1990).

**National:**

1. Presentations on Corporate and Securities Law before: National Association of Securities Dealers, Washington, DC (2004), City of Philadelphia Law Department (1998); Philadelphia Bar Association, Section on Corporation, Banking and Business Law (January 1995, June 1990, May 1989); Senate of Pennsylvania, Law & Justice Committee (March 1986); Temple University Small Business Forum (March 1985).
2. Presentations on European Union Law before: Rutgers School of Law-Camden, NJ (March 1993); Center for the Study of Federalism, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA (November 1992).
3. Presentations on International Law, International Business Law and Latin American Law before: American Society of International Law, 87th Annual Meeting, Washington, DC (April 1993); Florida Bar Seminar on the Legal Aspects of Doing Business in Latin America (March 1989); Hispanic National Bar Association Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM (September 1988); Philadelphia Bar Association, International Law Committee (March 1988); Philadelphia Bar Association Annual Meeting, Atlantic City, NJ (November 1987); Philadelphia Bar Association, International Law Committee (May 1983).
4. Presentations on International Commercial Arbitration before: American Arbitration Association, Philadelphia, PA (April 1992).
5. Commentator, ASIL Research Forum 2023 (Panel International trade law), Miami, FL (October 2023) and ASIL Research Forum (Panel-Comparative Law) (September 2024).

## **LANGUAGES**

English

Spanish (bilingual)  
French  
Italian (fluent)

### **MILITARY SERVICE**

UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVE

Lieutenant Colonel, Judge Advocate General's Corps  
[1988-2010]

Military Occupational Specialties: International  
and Operational Law, Civil Affairs Officer,  
Psychological Operations Officer.

### **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

FULLBRIGHT SCHOLAR PROGRAM  
COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE OF SCHOOLARS  
INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

Law: Academic Peer Review Committee  
Member (2015-16, 2016-17 Cycles)

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW (2007-Present)

Member, 2007-Present

Member, Executive Council, 2021-2024

Co-Chair, Minorities in International Law Interest  
Group, 2017-2020

Member, Program Committee, 2016 Annual Meeting

Member, Ad Hoc Committee on Possible Past Membership  
Exclusion or Discouragement, 2018-2020

Editorial Board, International Legal Materials  
Member, 2008-2014

Corresponding Editor, International Legal Materials  
2014-Present

ITALIAN LAW REVIEW

Senior Associate Editor, 2016-Present

RASSEGNA DI DIRITTO CIVILE

Member, International Board, 2017-Present

SYNTELEIA, UNIVERSITY OF NAPLES, PARTHENOPE

Member, Scientific Committee, Law 2021-Present

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION (1977-Present)

Member, Commission on Opportunities to Minorities  
in the Legal Profession 1993-1995

Member, Executive Committee, Civil and Human Rights  
Committee, Young Lawyers' Division 1988-1991

Member, Executive Committee, International Law  
Committee, Young Lawyer's Division 1988-1990

Young Lawyers' Division Liaison, Standing Committee on  
Military Law, 1989-1993

Member, International Law Section.

Member, Corporation, Banking and Business Law and  
Legal Education Sections.

PHILADELPHIA BAR ASSOCIATION (1977-Present)

Academic Engagement Committee

(Co-Chair) 2020-Present

Charter & Bylaws Committee (Chair) (1998)

Member, Nominating Committee (1998)

Parliamentarian, Board of Governors (1989-1990)

Member, Judicial Selection and Retention Commission  
(1985)

Member, Investigative Division, Judicial Selection  
and Retention Commission (1992-1999)

International Law Committee

Chair (1986-1987)

Vice-Chair (1985)

Chair, Foreign Legal Consultants Sub Committee (1988)

Military Law Committee

Co-Chair (1995-1996)

Chair 1992-1994

HISPANIC NATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION (1983-Present)

Chair, International Committee 1987-1988.

Regional Vice-President 1983-1984

HISPANIC BAR ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA (1983-Present)

Founding President 1983-1985

Member, Board of Directors 1986-1987.

JUDGE ADVOCATES ASSOCIATION

CLUB ESPAÑOL E IBEROAMERICANO DE ARBITRAJE

INTER-AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

COLEGIO DE ABOGADOS DE PUERTO RICO

THE FLORIDA BAR

### LEARNED SOCIETIES

AMERICAN LAW INSTITUTE

Life Member 2020-Present.  
Member 1995-2020.

ACADEMIA PUERTORRIQUEÑA DE JURISPRUDENCIA Y LEGISLACIÓN  
Corresponding Member, 2017-Present.

AMERICAN BAR FOUNDATION  
Life Fellow 2024-Present.  
Fellow 2014-2024

## **AWARDS**

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
Legion of Merit Medal (2009)

YALE MEDAL  
Yale University's highest alumni award. (2003)

SAINT CHRISTOPHER'S HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA  
Board Service Award (2018)

DELAWARE VALLEY MOST INFLUENTIAL LATINOS FOUNDATION  
2017 Delaware Valley's Most Influential Latinos-  
Latino Leader (2017)

EAGLEVILLE FOUNDATION  
Board Service Award (2014), (2020)

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

**University**

UNIVERSITY TENURE AND PROMOTION COMMITTEE  
Committee C  
Chair, 2016-2017

UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

Immediate Past President 2021-President.  
President 2018-2021  
Vice-President 2018  
Member, Steering Committee 2017-Present.  
Representative 2008-2018

UNIVERSITY MARSHAL  
2010-2022

PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE  
Member 2021

VICE-PRESIDENT FOR GOVERNMENT AND  
COMMUNITY RELATIONS SEARCH COMMITTEE  
Member 2025.

FACULTY SENATE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE  
Chair 2008-2010. 2012-2016.  
Member (Elected) 2004-2010, 2012-2018

FACULTY SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE  
Chair 2012-2018  
Member 2010-2012

UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE  
Member 2004-2010, 2023-Present.

COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE & TRUSTEE APPOINTMENTS  
Member, 2006-2022.

FACULTY OF COLOR COMMITTEE  
Member 2006-2010, 2015-2023

UNIVERSITY DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE  
Chair 1993-1996.

LATINO INITIATIVES COMMITTEE  
Member 1991-1998.

### Law School

FACULTY REVIEW COMMITTEE  
Member, 2025-Present

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
Member (Elected) 1994-1996, 2024-2026

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE  
Chair 2015-2024  
Member 1998-Present

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE  
Member 1993-1994, 2023-Present

SJD COMMITTEE  
Chair 2023-24  
Member 2006-12, 2024-Present

TRANSNATIONAL LL.M. COMMITTEE  
Chair 2008-2009

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON NEW INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS  
Co-Chair 1992-1993

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE  
Chair 1994-1998  
Member 1990-1994, 1998-1999

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE  
Panel Chair 1990-1991, Member 1983-1990

AD HOC JD-MBA COMMITTEE  
Co-Chair 1983-1985

GRADUATION PRIZES COMMITTEE

Chair 1991

INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL ADVISER  
LATIN AMERICAN LAW STUDENTS' FACULTY ADVISER  
VETERANS LAW SOCIETY ADVISER

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

### **Current**

HISPANIC ASSOCIATION OF CONTRACTORS AND ENTERPRISES  
Vice-Chair, Board of Directors 2009-Present.  
Chairman, Board of Directors 1987-2009.  
Member, Board of Directors and Counsel 1983-1987.

EAGLEVILLE HOSPITAL  
Member, Board of Directors 1988-Present.

EAGLEVILLE FOUNDATION  
Chair, Board of Directors, 2011-2015, 2018-2019  
Vice-Chair, Board of Directors, 2006-2011, 2017-2018.  
Member, Board of Directors 1996-Present.

EPISCOPAL LEGAL SERVICES  
Member, Board of Directors, 2022-Present.

THE CREFELD SCHOOL  
Member, Board of Trustees, 2023-Present.

### **Former**

SAINT ASAPH'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
Member, Vestry 2000-2003, 2016-2018.  
Chair, Property Committee 1999-2003.

SAINT CHRISTOPHERS' HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN  
Member, Board of Directors, 2006-2017.

HISPANIC BAR ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA  
LEGAL EDUCATION FUND  
Member, Board of Trustees 1988-1989.

POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE OF PHILADELPHIA  
Member, Board of Directors 1983-1991.

PHILADELPHIA VOLUNTEERS FOR THE INDIGENT PROGRAM  
Member, Board of Directors 1986-1989, 1991-1992.

PHILADELPHIA COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
Member, Board of Directors 1984-1986.

COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES  
Member, Board of Directors 1985-1988.

PHILADELPHIA BAR FOUNDATION  
Member, Board of Trustees 1986-1988.

PHILADELPHIA PUERTO RICAN WEEK FESTIVAL COMMITTEE  
Counsel 1988.

REGIONAL HOUSING LEGAL SERVICES  
Member, Board of Directors 1987-1988.

MAYOR'S HOUSING PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL  
(City of Philadelphia)  
Member 1992-1996.

YALE ALUMNI FUND  
Member, Board of Directors 1998-2000.

ASSOCIATION OF YALE ALUMNI  
Immediate Past Chair 2000-2002  
Chair 1998-2000.  
Vice-Chair 1996-1998.  
Treasurer 1995-1996.  
Member, Board of Governors 1992-1995.  
Representative 1989-1992.

YALE LAW SCHOOL ASSOCIATION  
Member, Executive Committee 2000-2004.

YALE ALUMNI PUBLICATIONS, INC.  
Immediate Past Chair 2009-2010  
Chair 2007-2009  
Treasurer 2005-2007  
Member, Board of Directors 1998-2000,2001-2010.

YALE CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA  
Council Member 1984-2014  
Treasurer 1988-2005.  
Assistant Treasurer 1984-1988.

RIVERSIDE CARE, INC.  
Chair, Board of Directors, 2006-2010.  
Vice-Chair, Board of Directors, 2002-2006.

