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RECENT POSITIONS

United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime - Terrorism Prevention Branch

Research Consultant, The Organized Crime-Terrorism Nexus (October 2017 - January 2018)

NARAL Pro-Choice America, Chicago, USA

Advocacy Fellow (September - December 2017)

Carthage College, Wisconsin, USA

Adjunct Lecturer, Women's and Gender Studies (February - December 2016)

Courses taught: Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies & Women's and Gender Studies Theory

EDUCATION

University of Sussex, United Kingdom

Ph.D., Law (International Human Rights Law, Gender) Graduated July 2017

Women's Reproductive Rights: Repairing Gender-Based Harm in the Inter-American System of Human Rights

Supervisors: Jo Bridgeman & Charlotte Skeet

Examiners: Craig Lind (internal), Clara Sandoval (external)

This thesis examined women's reproductive rights litigation to determine how the Inter-American System of Human Rights can more effectively take account of, and repair, harms specific to women. The research was informed by transnational, intersectional and legal feminist theories and was socio-legal in approach. By interviewing actors involved in selected case studies, I established in this thesis a set of strategies to advance a "gender reparations tradition" in regional human rights systems.

Irish Centre for Human Rights, NUI Galway, Ireland

LL.M., International Human Rights Law, 2010

Tell Me About It: The Right to Reproductive Health Information

University of Washington - Tacoma, USA

B.A., Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences (American Studies), 2009

Minor in Human Rights

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

International Human Rights Law • Sociology of Law • Justice, Equality, and Society • Gender and Human Rights • Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights • Reproductive Rights • Regional Approaches to Rights

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

C. O'Connell, 'Litigating Reproductive Health Rights in the Inter-American System: What Does a Winning Case Look Like?' 16:2 *Health and Human Rights* (2014) 116-128.

C. O'Connell (with V. Jaichand), 'Bringing it Home: The Inter-American System and State Obligations - Using a gender approach regionally to address domestic violations,' 3:1-2 *Inter-American and European Rights Journal* (2010) 49-69.

Chapters in Edited Collections

C. O'Connell, 'Engendering Reproductive Rights in the Inter-American System', in K. Lalor, E. Mills, A. Sánchez-García and P. Haste (eds) *Gender, Sexuality and Social Justice: What's Law Got To Do With It?* (Institute of Development Studies 2016) 58-65.

C. O'Connell, 'What a 'Private Life' Means for Women,' in Y. Haeck, et al., (eds) *The Inter-American Court of Human Rights: Theory and Practice, Present and Future* (Intersentia 2015) 629-645.

Reviews

C. O'Connell, Litigating the Right to Health in Africa: Challenges and Prospects, by Ebenezer Durojaye (ed) *Health and Human Rights*, March 2016.

Reports and Amicus Briefs

C. O'Connell (with Diana Guarnizo-Peralta and Cesar Rodriguez-Garavito - Dejusticia), Amicus Curiae Brief Presented to the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in the Case of IV V. Bolivia (May 2016).

C. O'Connell, *Women's Reproductive Rights in the Inter-American System of Human Rights: Conclusions from the Field, June-September 2014* (Fieldwork Report 2015).

C. O'Connell (with Elizabeth Craig & Stratis Andreas Efthymiou), *Upholding the Human Right to Culture in Post-Conflict Societies*, United Nations Human Rights Council, UN Doc A/HRC/25/NI/5.

PUBLICATIONS IN PROGRESS

Chapters

C. O'Connell, 'The Inter-American System and Women's Rights' in N. Reilly (ed) *Human Rights of Women* (submitted October 2017; Springer, forthcoming 2018).

Book Project

C. O'Connell, *Engendering Reproductive Rights and Reparations in the Inter-American System of Human Rights* (submit proposal to Cambridge University Press December 2017).

Peer-Reviewed Articles

C. O'Connell, 'Engendering Reparations: The Inter-American Court's Evolving Approach to Reproductive Justice' (submit to *Harvard Human Rights Journal* January 2018).

HIGHER EDUCATION TEACHING AND COURSE DEVELOPMENT

Carthage College, Women's and Gender Studies Department

Adjunct Lecturer (Spring and Fall 2016)

Courses Taught: Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies (developed undergraduate curriculum), and Women's and Gender Studies Theory (undergraduate/graduate course)

Themes: gender and society; gender and human rights; intersectional/global feminisms; feminist legal theory

Other Activities: Faculty Adviser - Carthage College Feminist Action Collective

Thesis Supervisor - two undergraduate students; one graduate student

University of Sussex, Department of Law

Associate Tutor (Spring 2014 and 2015)

Course Taught: Justice, Equality and Society (cross-disciplinary undergraduate course; lectures/seminars)

Themes: equality and discrimination; refugee and migrant rights; disability rights; hate crime; sexual violence

Law Instructor, Widening Participation (August 2013 - June 2014)

Courses Developed and Taught: Introduction to Law & Introduction to Human Rights Law

OTHER RELEVANT POSITIONS AND EXPERIENCE

University of Wisconsin Madison, Global Legal Studies Center (USA)*Visiting Scholar*, School of Law (July - October 2015)**University of Sussex, Department of Law (UK)***Research Assistant*, Modes of Assessment: focus groups and reporting (2015)**Australian National University, Regulatory Institutions Network - RegNet (AUS)***Visiting Scholar*, Centre for International Governance and Justice (October - December 2014)**International Institute for the Sociology of Law (Spain)***Visiting Scholar*, 'Rights, Regulation and Ritualism' with Hilary Charlesworth (October - December 2013)**University of Sussex / Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission (UK)***Research Assistant*, 'The Human Right to Culture in Post Conflict Societies' (February - June 2013)**Interdisciplinary Journal of Human Rights Law (USA)***Assistant Editor*, Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, *and* Women's Rights (2012 - 2015)**Avalon English Academy (South Korea)***English Language Instructor* (2011 - 2012)**National Economic and Social Rights Initiative - NESRI (USA)***Intern*, Human Right to Health Campaign (March - May 2011)**International Network on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights - ESCR-Net (USA)***Intern*, Women's Rights, and Adjudication of Economic, Social & Cultural Rights (September - October 2010)**SPEAKING EVENTS**

2017*Advancing Women's Rights through Human Rights Institutions*, Gracie Fellow Public Interest Lunch Series, University of Wisconsin Madison Law School, USA, 17 April (invited speaker).**2016***From Rhetoric to Reparation: Gender-Based Harm and Reproductive Rights in the Inter-American System*, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Collaborative Research Network: Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, 2-5 June.*Women's Reproductive Rights and Reparations: Lessons from the Inter-American System of Human Rights*, Inter-American Human Rights Network Expert Workshop, Belgium, 29-30 January.**2015***From Rhetoric to Reparation: Gender-Based Harm and Reproductive Rights in the Inter-American System*, University of Wisconsin Madison, Legal Series Workshops, 10 November.*Women's Rights and the Inter-American System*, Rights, Regulation and Ritualism workshop, International Institute for the Sociology of Law, Oñati, Spain, 1-4 September (invited participant).*The Role of Gender in Women's Reproductive Health Rights*, NGender: Gender and Sexuality Conference, University of Sussex, Brighton, UK, 19 May.*Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in the Fight for Women's Reproductive Rights*, Amnesty International Luxembourg, University of Luxembourg, 9 March (invited speaker).*The Relationship between Law and Gender in the Fight for Reproductive Rights in the Americas*, Sexual Rights, Social Justice: What's Law Got To Do With It, Postgraduate Early Career Academics Network of Scholars, Brighton, 4 March.*Conclusions from the Field: Strengthening Women's Reproductive Rights in the Inter-American System of Human Rights*, University of Copenhagen Postgraduate Law Conference, Denmark, 30 January.

2014

Dealing with Reproductive Rights: A Case Study from the Inter-American System, Australian National University, Centre for International Governance and Justice, 28 November.

2013

Implementation of Reproductive Rights Law in the Inter-American System of Human Rights, International Institute for the Sociology of Law, Oñati, Spain, 4 December.

The Role of Culture in Reproductive Rights Law Implementation within the Inter-American System, Human Rights Student Conference, University of Essex, UK, 15 May.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Travel Grant, Inter-American Human Rights Network Workshop, Ghent University, 2016 (£600).

Visiting PhD Scholarship Awarded by Professor Hilary Charlesworth, Centre for International Justice and Governance, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, 2014 (\$1500AUD and return airfare).

Alumni Travel Grant, University of Sussex, UK, 2014 (£1000).

Fieldwork Travel Grant, Society for Latin American Studies, UK, 2014 (£600).

Law, Politics and Sociology Studentship, University of Sussex, UK, 2013-2015 (£15,000).

TRAINING AND CERTIFICATIONS

Associate Fellow Teaching Certification, Higher Education Academy, United Kingdom Professional Standards Framework, 2015.

Socio-Legal Research Theory and Practice: Qualitative Methods, International Institute for the Sociology of Law, Oñati, Spain, 25 November - December 5 2013.

Health Rights Litigation, Global School on Socioeconomics, Harvard FXB Center for Health and Human Rights, Boston, MA, USA, 16 - 20 September 2013.

SERVICE TO PROFESSION AND MEMBERSHIPS

Consultant, Expert Witness Testimony: *Christina Zampas, IV v. Bolivia*, Inter-American Court of Human Rights (2016).

Reviewer: Policy Studies and Inter-American Human Rights Network.

Organizing Committee, Critical Legal Conference, 'Power, Capitol, and Chaos,' University of Sussex, UK (4-6 September 2014).

Organizing Panel Member, NGender, Graduate Events in Gender and Sexuality Research, University of Sussex, UK (2013-2014).

Membership: Law and Society Association (CRN 47: Economic, Social, & Cultural Rights)

Inter-American Human Rights Network (IAHRN), UCL - Institute of the Americas

Centre for Cultures of Reproduction, Technology and Health (CORTH), University of Sussex

IntLawGrrls, International Human Rights Clinic, University of Chicago