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APPOINTMENTS

Vanderbilt University Law School

Professor of Law, 2015—Present
Director, International Legal Studies Program, 2018—Present
FedEx Research Professor, 2018—2019
Enterprise Scholar, 2015—2017

Courses: International Business Transactions, International Trade Law, International Arbitration, International Environmental Law, Public International Law, Constitutional Law I

University of Georgia School of Law, Athens, GA

Associate Professor, 2014—2015
Assistant Professor, 2010—2014

U.S. Department of State, Office of the Legal Adviser, Washington, D.C.

Attorney-Adviser, 2008–2010

Hon. Neil M. Gorsuch, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, Denver, CO

Law Clerk, 2007–2008

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley School of Law (Boalt Hall)

Ph.D., Jurisprudence and Social Policy, Dec. 2008
J.D., Class of 2007 (conferred Dec. 2006)

Honors & Activities: First in Class
Order of the Coif
California Law Review
Dean's Fellowship (2007-08)
Public Policy and Nuclear Threats Fellowship, National Science Foundation and the Institute for Global Conflict and Cooperation (2003-2007)

Stanford University

M.A., History, 2003
B.A. with Distinction, History (Philosophy minor), 2003

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa, 2003
Dobro Slovo (Slavic Studies Honor Society), 2003

PUBLICATIONS**Books:**

GOLDBLOCKS GLOBALISM: THE RISE OF SOFT LAW IN INTERNATIONAL GOVERNANCE (with Andrew T. Guzman) (Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2020).

INTERNATIONAL LAW AS BEHAVIOR (ed., with Harlan Grant Cohen) (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming 2020).

Articles and Essays: *Misaligned Lawmaking*, 73 VANDERBILT LAW REVIEW (forthcoming 2020)

Trade and the Separation of Powers, 107 CALIFORNIA LAW REVIEW 583 (2019) (with Ganesh Sitaraman).

Renegotiating International Investment Law, 21 JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW 655 (2018) (with Tae Jung Park) (peer-reviewed).

Free Trade, Fair Trade, and Selective Enforcement, 118 COLUMBIA LAW REVIEW 491 (2018) (one of five articles selected for republication in the ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND POLICY ANNUAL REVIEW).

Restoring Trade's Social Contract, 116 MICH. L. REV. ONLINE 78 (2018) (with Frank J. Garcia).

Saving the Political Consensus in Favor of Free Trade, 70 VANDERBILT LAW REVIEW 985 (2017).

Local Liability in International Economic Law, 95 NORTH CAROLINA LAW REVIEW 261 (2017).

Explaining Energy Disputes at the World Trade Organization, 17 INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENTS: POLITICS, LAW AND ECONOMICS 391 (2017) (peer-reviewed).

Shifting Sands: Power, Uncertainty and the Form of International Legal Cooperation, 27 EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 161 (2016) (peer reviewed).

How Local Discrimination Can Promote Global Public Goods, 95 BOSTON UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 1939 (2015).

From Contract to Legislation: The Logic of Modern International Lawmaking, 14 CHICAGO JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 559 (2014).

Epistemic Institutions and Epistemic Cooperation in International Environmental Governance, 2 TRANSNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW 15 (2013) (peer reviewed).

Codifying Custom, 160 UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW REVIEW 995 (2012).

Global Public Goods, Governance Risk, and International Energy, 22 DUKE JOURNAL OF COMPARATIVE & INTERNATIONAL LAW 319 (2012) (invited).

Power, Exit Costs, and Renegotiation in International Law, 51 HARVARD INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL 379 (2010).

International Soft Law, 2 JOURNAL OF LEGAL ANALYSIS 171 (2010) (with Andrew T. Guzman) (peer reviewed).

Soft Law as Delegation, 32 FORDHAM INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL 888 (2009).

International Common Law: The Soft Law of International Tribunals, 9 CHICAGO JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 515 (2009) (with Andrew T. Guzman) (invited).

Federalism and Accountability: State Attorneys General, Regulatory Litigation, and the New Federalism, 95 CALIFORNIA LAW REVIEW 885 (2007) (translated and reprinted in 19 REVISTA BRASILEIRA DE ESTUDOS CONSTITUCIONAIS 219 (2011)).

Book Chapters and Other Work:

Alternatives to Treaty-making: Informal Instruments, in THE OXFORD GUIDE TO TREATIES 2 ED. (Duncan Hollis, ed., forthcoming 2019).

Non-compliance as Lawmaking, in LEGITIMACY AND LAWMAKING IN INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW (Heike Kreiger, ed., forthcoming 2019).

Nudging International Law in INTERNATIONAL LAW AS BEHAVIOR (Harlan Grant Cohen & Timothy Meyer, eds., forthcoming 2019).

The Law and Politics of Socially-Inclusive Trade, 2019 UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS LAW REVIEW ONLINE 32 (2019) (responding to Gregory Shaffer, *Retooling Trade for Social Inclusion*, 2019 UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS LAW REVIEW 101 (2019)).

Trade, Redistribution, and the Imperial Presidency, 44 YALE JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW ONLINE 16 (2019) (invited).

It's Economic Strategy, Stupid: The Case for a Department of Economic Growth and Security, AMERICAN AFFAIRS (Spring 2019) (with Ganesh Sitaraman).

Instrumentalism in International Law, in FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS FOR INTERNATIONAL LAW (Jean d'Aspremont & Sahib Singh, eds, 2019).

A Blueprint for a New American Trade Policy, GREAT DEMOCRACY INITIATIVE (Dec. 2018) (with Ganesh Sitaraman).

Why Canada's Leaders Should Wait Out Trump's NAFTA Deal, POLITICO (Sept. 27, 2018) (with Todd N. Tucker).

A Trade Policy for All, FOREIGN AFFAIRS (June 26, 2018) (with Ganesh Sitaraman).

The Power to Declare Trade War, LAWFARE, March 23, 2018 (with Ganesh Sitaraman).

[Testimony before the United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary on the Nomination of Judge Neil M. Gorsuch to be Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court \(March 23, 2017\).](#)

The Evolution of Codification: A Principal-Agent Theory of the International Law Commission's Influence (with Laurence R. Helfer) in *CUSTOM'S FUTURE* (Curtis Bradley, ed., 2016).

The World Trade Organization's Role in Global Energy Governance, in the *PALGRAVE HANDBOOK ON THE INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY OF ENERGY* (Thijs Van de Graaf, Benjamin K. Sovacool, Florian Kern, Arunabha Ghosh & Michael T. Klare, eds., 2016).

Institutions and Expertise: The Role of Science in Climate Change Lawmaking, in *THE OXFORD HANDBOOK OF INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE LAW* (Cinnamon Carlarne, Kevin R Gray, & Richard Tarasofsky, eds., 2016).

Soft Law, in *THE RESEARCH HANDBOOK ON THE ECONOMICS OF PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW* (Eugene Kontorovich, ed., 2016) (with Andrew T. Guzman).

How Compliance Understates Effectiveness, 108 *AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW PROCEEDINGS* 168 (2014).

Review of Eric A. Posner and Alan O. Sykes, *Economic Foundations of International Law*, 108 *AMERICAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW* 365 (2014).

How Compliance Understates Effectiveness, *AMERICAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW UNBOUND* (2014) (invited).

Explaining the Energy Regime Complex, 2/2014 *CARBON & CLIMATE LAW REVIEW* 146 (reviewing *THE POLITICS AND INSTITUTIONS OF GLOBAL ENERGY GOVERNANCE*, by Thijs Van de Graaf) (2014).

Collective Decision-making in International Governance, *AMERICAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW UNBOUND* (2014) (invited).

Good Faith, Withdrawal, and the Judicialization of International Politics, *QUESTIONS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW* (2014).

[*Testimony Before the Foreign Relations Committee of the United States Senate, Hearing on the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities \(November 5, 2013\).*](#)

Towards a Communicative Theory of International Law, 13 *MELBOURNE JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW* 921 (2012).

Independence and Hierarchy in International Scientific Cooperation, *UNITED NATIONS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (UNIDO) REPORT, NETWORKS FOR PROSPERITY: CONNECTING DEVELOPMENT KNOWLEDGE BEYOND 2015* (2012).

The Architecture of International Energy Governance, 106 *AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW PROCEEDINGS* 389 (2012).

Review of Ian Hurd, *International Organizations: Politics, Law, Practice*, 106 *AMERICAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW* 415 (2012).

Customary International Law in the 21st Century, in PROGRESS IN INTERNATIONAL LAW (Rebecca Bratspies and Russell Miller eds., 2008) (with Andrew T. Guzman).

WORKS IN PROGRESS:

Economic Foreign Affairs Law

The Last Mover's Advantage

Removing Reservations

The End of Advice and Consent

A Jury of One's Peers: Negotiated vs. Adjudicated Dispute Resolution

REPRESENTATIVE PRESENTATIONS:

"Trade in Renewable Energy: *EU-Biodiesel (Indonesia)*," European University Institute, Florence, Italy, July 8-9, 2019.

"Foreign Affairs and the National Security Economy," Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, United Kingdom, April 26, 2019.

"Free Trade, Fair Trade, and Selective Enforcement," ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND POLICY ANNUAL REVIEW Conference, Washington, D.C., March 29, 2019.

"Trade and the Separation of Powers," University of Ghent, Ghent, Belgium, March 13, 2019.

"Natural Resource Extraction and Sustainable Development in North America," Conference on NAFTA 2.0: The Puzzle of North America as a Region, Texas A&M School of Law, Ft. Worth, TX, February 28-March 1.

"Trade, Redistribution, and the Imperial Presidency," Symposium on International Trade in the Trump Era, Yale Law School, New Haven, CT, February 22, 2019.

"American Does Not Go to War in a Ford Fiesta," Yale-Duke Roundtable on Foreign Relations Law, Yale Law School, New Haven, CT, September 28, 2018.

"Trade and the Separation of Powers," Joint North American Conference on International Economic Law, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, Sept. 21-22, 2018.

"The Impact of President Trump's Trade War on Tennessee," Rotary Club of Franklin, Franklin, TN, August 22, 2018.

"Misaligned Lawmaking," Biennial Meeting of the Society of International Economic Law, American University Washington College of Law, Washington, DC July 12-14, 2018.

“Misaligned Lawmaking,” Conference on Reconceiving Trade Agreements, University of California, Irvine Law School, Irvine, CA, February 9-10, 2018.

“The Backlash Against Globalization—Tectonic Shift or Temporary Setback?” The European Commission’s European Trade Policy Day: Trade Policy in a Turbulent World, Brussels, Belgium, December 5, 2017.

“Misaligned Lawmaking,” Conference on Rethinking Free Trade: Liberal International Economic Order in the Wake of Brexit and Trump, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, November 15, 2017.

“Saving the Political Consensus in Favor of Free Trade,” Presentation to the European Commission, Directorate General of Trade, Brussels, Belgium, October 26, 2017.

“Misaligned Lawmaking,” Conference on the Next Generation of International Trade Agreements, Athens, GA, Sept. 18, 2017.

“Free Trade, Fair Trade, and Selective Enforcement,” Law and Society Annual Meeting, Mexico City, Mexico, June 23, 2017.

“Saving the Political Consensus in Favor of Free Trade,” Annual Conference on WTO Law, World Trade Organization & Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland, June 9-10, 2017.

“Saving the Political Consensus in Favor of Free Trade,” University of Connecticut Roundtable on Business and Human Rights in an Era of Anti-Globalization, Storrs, CT, March 30, 2017.

Testimony before the U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary, “Hearing on the Nomination of the Honorable Neil M. Gorsuch to the Supreme Court of the United States,” Washington, D.C., March 23, 2017.

“How Selective Enforcement Chills Innovation,” American Society of International Law Research Forum, University of Washington School of Law, Seattle, WA, Nov. 11-12, 2016.

“Withdrawing from Trade Treaties,” Yale-Duke Roundtable on Foreign Relations Law, Yale Law School, New Haven, CT, October 15, 2016.

“How Selective Enforcement Chills Innovation,” Biennial Meeting of the American Society of International Law’s International Economic Law Interest Group, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC, Sept. 30-Oct. 1, 2016.

“Explaining Energy Disputes at the World Trade Organization,” Regulating the Energy Transition: Issues at the Intersection of Energy and Environmental Law, All Souls College, University of Oxford, Jun. 30-Jul. 1, 2016.

“Local Liability,” Society of International Economic Law Bi-Annual Conference, Johannesburg, South Africa, July 7-9, 2016.

“Local Responsibility under International Law,” Conference on Environmental Regulation: Experimenting Across Scales, Tel Aviv University, Israel, November 29-December 1, 2015.

“Non-compliance as Law-making in International Humanitarian Law,” Conference on Legitimacy and Law-Making in International Humanitarian Law, Freie Universitaet, Berlin, Germany, November 26-28, 2015.

“Permanent Sovereignty over Natural Resources in the Age of International Trade and the Environment,” The Legal Regulation of Natural Resources Management: Seeking the Balance of Private and Public Interest, St. Petersburg State University, St. Petersburg, Russia, October 30, 2015.

“Local Discrimination and Global Public Goods,” Cornell University Law School, Ithaca, NY, October 19, 2015.

“Explaining Energy Disputes at the World Trade Organization,” Institute of European Studies at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel, June 25-26, 2015.

“Local Discrimination and Global Public Goods,” Annual Conference of the Society for Environmental Law and Economics, University of Groningen, the Netherlands, May 21-22, 2015.

“Local Discrimination and Global Public Goods,” University of Houston Law Center, Houston, TX, February 23, 2015.

“Local Discrimination and Global Public Goods,” New York University School of Law, NY, February 9, 2015.

“Local Discrimination and Global Public Goods,” University of San Diego School of Law, San Diego, CA, January 30, 2015.

“Local Discrimination and Global Public Goods,” Tufts University Fletcher School of Diplomacy, Boston, MA, November 17, 2014.

“International Organizations as Firms,” American Society of International Law Symposium on International Legal Theory, Washington, D.C., November 13, 2014.

“Local Discrimination and Global Public Goods,” Emory University Law School, Atlanta, GA, November 5, 2014.

“The Evolution of Codification” (with Laurence R. Helfer), Custom in Crisis, Duke Law School, October 31, 2014.

Introduction, GOLDILOCKS GLOBALISM: THE RISE OF SOFT LAW IN INTERNATIONAL GOVERNANCE (with Andrew T. Guzman), Temple University School of Law, October 10, 2014 (book conference in honor of GOLDILOCKS GLOBALISM).

“Shifting Sands: Global Power and the Shape of International Legal Cooperation,” European Society of International Law Annual Meeting, Vienna, Austria, September 5, 2014.

“The Idea of Effectiveness in International Law,” American Society of International Law Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., April 10, 2014.

“From Contract to Legislation: The Logic of Modern International Lawmaking,” University of Illinois School of Law, Champagne, IL, February 6, 2014

“From Contract to Legislation: The Logic of Modern International Lawmaking,” Washington & Lee College of Law International Business Roundtable, Lexington, VA, January 9-10, 2014.

Testimony before the Foreign Relations Committee of the United States Senate, Hearing on the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C., November 5, 2013.

“Codifying Immunity or Fighting for Accountability: International Custom and the Battle over Foreign Official Immunity in the United Nations,” Duke Law School-University of Geneva Conference on the Role of *Opinio Juris* in Customary International Law, Geneva, Switzerland, July 11-13, 2013.

“International Scientific Networks and Institutions,” United Nations Industrial Development Organization & Center for Strategic and International Studies Conference on Network Governance and the Development Potential of Middle-Income Countries, Washington, D.C., May 16, 2013.

“Epistemic Institutions and Epistemic Cooperation in International Environmental Governance,” Law & Economics Workshop, University of California, Berkeley School of Law, Berkeley, CA, October 29, 2012.

**PROFESSIONAL
ACTIVITIES:**

Co-chair, *American Society of International Law Annual Research Forum* (2012, University of Georgia School of Law; 2013, New York University School of Law)

Host Committee, *American Society of International Law Mid-Year Meeting*, October 2012

Referee: *Cambridge University Press; Oxford University Press; American Journal of International Law; European Journal of International Law; Journal of International Economic Law; Law and Society Review; International Agreements: Politics, Law, and Economics; Journal of World Investment and Trade; International Theory; Global Governance.*

**PROFESSIONAL
ASSOCIATIONS:**

American Law Institute (elected)
American Society of International Law
American Law and Economics Association
Society of International Economic Law

Bar Admissions:

United States Supreme Court
United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit
United States Court for the Federal Circuit
United States Court of International Trade
State Bar of California

LANGUAGES: Russian and Spanish