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***TEACHING AREAS***

- International Financial Law; Contracts; International Development Law and Policy

***PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH***

**Published**

- *Collective Action for Development Finance*, 32 U. PA. J. INT'L L. 961 (2011)
- *Creating A Collective Financing Vehicle to Save the World, The Global Environment Facility Experience*, in **FUNDS FOR DEVELOPMENT: MULTILATERAL CHANNELS OF CONCESSIONAL FINANCING** (Asian Development Bank 2011). (Reprint).
- *Global Fund Needed*, Opinion 4/27/2009 NLJ 19 (COL. 1)
- *A Practical Guide to Creating a Collective Financing Effort to Save the World: The Global Environment Facility Experience*, 22.1 GEO. INT'L. ENV. L. REV. 29 (JANUARY 2009)
- *World Bank Grants in a Changed World Order: How Do We Referee This New Paradigm?*, 30.2 PENN J. INT'L. L. 483 (WINTER 2008)
- *Can Business Learn To Love The Environment? The Case for a U.S. Corporate Carbon Fund*, 58.2 RUTGERS L. REV. 451(WINTER 2006)
- *Education as a Lynchpin of Development: Legal and Policy Considerations in the Formation of the Education For All Catalytic Trust Fund*, VI.1 SUS. DEV. L. & P. (FALL 2005) (w/AnnaTriponel)
- *The Prototype Carbon Fund: A New Departure in International Trusts and Securities Law*, V.2 SUS. DEV. L. & P. (SPRING 2005)
- *Presents, Promises and Trust Principles*, THE CONVEYANCER AND PROPERTY LAWYER (1982)

- *The Raison D'Etre of the Resulting Trust*, HOLBORN COLLEGE LAW JOURNAL (1982)

### **Forthcoming**

- *Agency and Accountability in Multilateral Development Finance: An Agenda for Change*, 5 LDR \_ (SUMMER 2011)

### **In Progress**

- *Participation and Legitimacy in Modern Multilateralism*
- *A Legal Analysis of Innovative Financing Mechanisms for Global Health*
- *The Legal Foundations for the Bretton Woods Institutions' Role in the International Framework for Disaster Relief*

### ***PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS***

- *Collective Action for Development Finance*. Work-shopped paper as part of the *Finance, Banking and Consumer Credit* Roundtable at the Temple-Albany Junior Law Faculty Conference, Albany Law School. (February 2011)
- *What Role Should the World Bank Play in International Disaster Prevention and Relief?* Presented paper at symposium, *International Law Frameworks in the Aftermath of Natural Disasters*, hosted by Emory University School of Law. (January 2011)
- *Legitimacy, Participation and International Development Finance*. Presented paper at symposium, *Governing Civil Society, Linking NGO Legitimacy and Nonprofit Accountability*, hosted by the Brooklyn Law School. (October 2010)
- *Trust Funds for International Development Aid*. Presented paper to Villanova Law Faculty as part of Temple/Villanova Junior Faculty Exchange Program, Villanova Law School. (August 2010)
- *Can We Trust the Trust as A Financing Vehicle for Multilateral Development Assistance?* Presented paper at symposium, *A Changing of the Guard: The Future of International Law and Development under Obama*, hosted by the University Of North Carolina School Of Law. (January 2010)
- *Financing Climate Change Mitigation and Prevention*. Moderated panel at symposium, *Managing the Challenges of Scarcity: The Critical Path for Global Construction*, hosted by Princeton University and the American College of Construction Lawyers, Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University. (November 2009)

- *The Global Trust Imperative: Reassessing the Trust as an Instrument of International Development Finance.* Delivered paper competitively selected from Call for Papers at Association of American Law Schools, Annual Meeting. (January 2009)
- *Some Legal and Policy Challenges Posed By Innovative Financing Mechanisms for International Development Aid.* Presented paper at symposium, *Law Without Borders,* hosted by Temple University Beasley School of Law. (March 2008)
- *The Education For All Catalytic Trust Fund: A Model for Funding The Millennium Development Goals.* Presented paper at symposium, *Education: A Lynchpin of Development – The Challenge of Leaving No Child Behind,* hosted by American University, Washington College of Law, Founders Celebration Series. (April 2005)
- *A Legal Analysis of the World Bank's Involvement in Global Programs and Partnerships.* Presented paper at World Bank Senior Management Forum. (March 2003)
- *The Legal, Policy And Ethical Implications of World Bank/Private Sector Partnerships.* Presented Paper at World Bank Lawyers Forum. (April 2002)
- *How To Talk So Clients Will Listen and Listen So Clients Will Talk.* Worked with Communication Skills Consultant to design and deliver training workshop on communication skills for lawyers. (June 2001)
- *Dealing With Difficult Questions.* Worked with Media Skills Consultant to design and deliver training workshop on inter-active presentation skills for lawyers. (June 2000)
- *Are Interests In The Prototype Carbon Fund Securities?* Presented paper at World Bank Lawyers Forum. (May 1999)

## **Future Commitments**

*The Changing Face of Multilateral Development Finance, The Law and Development Institute Annual Conference (Seattle University L.S.) (December 10, 2011)*

## ***PAST EMPLOYMENT***

### **ACADEMIA**

**UNIVERSITY OF THE WESTERN CAPE, South Africa**

**Summer, 2006**

#### **Visiting Professor of Law**

*Teaching:* The Legal and Policy Aspects of Market and Non-Market Financing Mechanisms for Development (L.L.M. graduate law course)

**AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON COLLEGE  
OF LAW** **2004-2006**

**Visiting Associate Professor of Law** (on sabbatical from the World Bank)  
*Teaching Areas:* Contracts, International Financial Law, International  
Business Transactions, International Development Law and Policy

**PRACTICE**

**THE WORLD BANK, LEGAL DEPARTMENT** **1990-2007**

**Senior Counsel, Finance**

Legal Advisor to World Bank as Trustee of the Global Environment Facility  
Senior Counsel to Task Force on Public-Private Partnerships  
Member of Legal VPU Derivatives Team

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, CIVIL DIVISION  
HONORS PROGRAM** **1986-1990**

**Trial Attorney, Member of Banking Litigation Defense Team**

Lecturer & Instructor, Trial Advocacy Institute  
Member of White House *Thousand Points of Light Initiative* Task Force

**CLERKSHIP**

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FIRST CIRCUIT** **1985-1986**

**Judicial Clerk to the late Honorable Hugh Bownes**

***EDUCATION***

Georgetown University Law School L.L.M. **1984**  
Oxford University, England B.C.L. **1982**  
Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland B.A. Legal Science **1980**

***GRANTS***

Proponent and Project Manager of \$600,000 World Bank grant to American University, Washington College of Law and partner universities for the Africa Legal Capacity-Building Initiative (a scholarship program to fund African law students undertaking an L.L.M. in International Trade and Investment Law). (2005)

## ***HONORS & AWARDS***

- World Bank Financial Sector Spot Award (2001)
- World Bank Legal Department Excellence Award (1999)
- U.S. Department of Justice Special Achievement Award (1985)
- Hebert Plummer Travel Fellowship, St. Anne's College, Oxford (1982) (for legal study in the U.S.)
- Kingsmill Moore Law Prize, Trinity College (1979) (for highest grades in class)
- Hamilton Hunter Law Prize, Trinity College (1978) (for highest grades in class)

## ***PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS***

- Member of American Bar Association
- Member of Michigan State Bar

## ***COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES***

- Past Member of DC Habitat for Humanity (Co-Chair Family Selection Committee)
- Past Member of Stoddert Elementary P.S. PTA
- U-10 Soccer Coach (Stoddert Recreational League & Jelleff Recreational Indoor League)