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### **ACADEMIC BACKGROUND**

**J.D.**, (*magna cum laude*) (1994), University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras, P.R.

**M.A.**, Philosophy (1985), Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA.

**B.A.**, Philosophy (1982), College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA.

### **WORK EXPERIENCE:**

1998-present; *Professor*, Inter American University School of Law. Courses taught: Introduction to Law, Civil Law and Common Law Contracts, Civil Law and Common Law Property, Jurisprudence, Legal Hermeneutics, Sociology of Law, Natural Law, Puerto Rico: Territory or Colony?, Law and Social Change. Program Director for Summer Foreign Program in Beijing, China (2006-present), Chair of the Self-study Committee for the 2008 ABA visit, member the Self-study Committee for the 2012 and 2022 MSHEC visit.

2003-2007; *Academic Dean*. Inter American University School of Law. Responsibilities included direct supervision of Law Faculty, Library, Registrar's Office and Continuing Legal Education Office. As senior administrative officer the Academic Dean is responsible for the design and implementation of the J.D. academic program, LL.M. program design, recruitment of adjunct faculty, general management of ordinary academic affairs.

1997-1998; *Adjunct Faculty*, Inter American University School of Law. Courses taught: Introduction to Law, Sociology of Law, Law and Social Change.

1996-1997; *Examining Officer*, University of Puerto Rico, President's Office. Responsibilities included acting as Examining Officer in cases assigned by the Legal Division of President's Office, and making legal recommendations to the President of the University.

1995-present; *Attorney-Notary*; limited solo private practice. Areas of practice: contracts, property, and appeals. Admitted to the Puerto Rico Bar (1995), United States Court of Appeals, 1<sup>st</sup> Cir. (1999), United States Federal District Court for the District of Puerto Rico (2000). Member of the American Bar Association (1999).

1987-1996; *Associate Professor*, Philosophy, Inter American University of Puerto Rico, Fajardo Campus. Courses assigned: Logic, Introduction to Philosophy, Ethics, World Literature.

1985-1986; *Social Worker*, Department of Social Services, Commonwealth of Massachussets, Worcester, MA.

1984-1986; *Mental Health Aide*, Ozanam House, Católica Charities for the Diocese of Worcester, MA. 1982-1984; *Social Worker*, 1984-1986; Valley View School, North Brookfield, MA

#### **PUBLICATIONS:**

*Uróboros*, compilation in book form of past law review articles, pending publication (2021).

*Parábolas*, pending publication in forthcoming Revista de Estudios Críticos del Derecho

*Contra natura y otras profanaciones*, 54 Revista Jurídica U. Inter. P.R. 161 (2020).

*Requiem por la Ley*. 53 Rev. Jurídica U. Inter. P.R. 527 (2019).

*Dengshikou Dajie*, 15 Revista de Estudios Críticos del Derecho UIPR 73 (2019)

*Interrupciones*, Editorial Facultad de Derecho, Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico (2018).

*Aperçus*, 12 Revista de Estudios Críticos del Derecho UIPR 309 (2016).

*El libro de los veinticuatro juristas*, 50 Rev. Jurídica U. Inter. P.R. 239 (2015).

*Some Thoughts on the (Constitutional) Assembly on Status*; 48 Rev. Jurídica U. Inter. P.R. 523 (2014).

*Meditaciones Inconclusas*; 48 Rev. Jurídica U. Inter. P.R. 53 (2014).

*Metástesis de la Razón y el Derecho*, Revista de la Academia Puertorriqueña de Jurisprudencia y Legislación, Vol. V, pág. 213 (1998).

*La historicidad y el ser humano*, Chapter in an anthology titled *Filosofía y el Ser Humano* published by Publicaciones Puertorriqueñas (1999). Dr. José Sánchez, Director.

*Reflexiones sobre la naturaleza de la interpretación jurídica; Entre Betti y Gadamer.* Revista Crítica de Derecho Inmobiliario; Año LXXI, Noviembre-Diciembre 1995, Núm. 631, págs. 2133-2152.

*Apuntes en torno a la posibilidad de un discurso pos-colonial: Inventing America; Spanish Historiography and the Formation of Eurocentrism de José Rabasa, Impacto del Humanismo en el Nuevo Mundo;* Scripta Humanistica, Washington ,D.C. (1994).

*Aspectos registrales en la constitución del régimen de propiedad horizontal y su carácter catastral* (with Noemí Rosado Figueroa); Revista Jurídica de la U.P.R. Vol 63, Núm. 4 (1994).

*Apuntes sobre Evangelización y Violencia de Luis Rivera Pagán*, Revista de Estudios Generales de la U.P.R. (1994).

*Ideaciones: hacia una deconstrucción del artículo 14 del Código Civil*, Revista Jurídica de la U.P.R. Vol. 60, Núm. 4 (1991)

Poems published in the following literary journals: *Revista de Estudios Críticos del Derecho* (2018), *A Propósito* (1993); *Punto y Coma* (1992), *Salud y Cultura* (1991), *Pliego de murmullos* (1991), *Encuentro* (1999, 1989). Unpublished collection of poems *Postumario*.

Occasional columnist in Puerto Rico's daily newspaper *El Vocero de Puerto Rico* (2012-2021); the digital newspaper in Washington D.C. *The Hill* (2017-2021) and *CQ Researcher*, (2018).

#### **LECTURES AND CONFERENCES:**

*El Plebiscito: ¿Interés público o activismo político judicial?*, Round Table discussion held on October 14, 2020 at the Inter American University School of Law.

*1st Encounter of the Territories of the United States*, Round Table on constitutional developments, held on March 6, 2020 at Center for Social Research at Jesús T. Piñero Library of Universidad del Este of the Ana G. Mendez University System.

*Hamilton: Influencia, legado y relevancia*, Round Table discussion held on May 2, 2019 at Inter American Univertsity School of Law.

*Los supuestos históricos y filosóficos del poder legislativo*; Conference given at the Legislative Academy for incoming legislators om December 12, 2016 at Inter American University Law School.

*Puerto Rico v. Sánchez Valle: Doble Exposición, Territorialidad y Soberanía.* Conference held on January 14, 2016 at Inter American University School of Law.

*Tríptico Territorial;* Conference held on December 6, 2015 in the Symposium *Desmantelando los casos insulares* eat Pedro Rosselló Library at University of Turabo.

*Some Thoughts on the (Constitutional) Assembly on Status;* Conference held on November 17, 2013 at the San Juan Rotary Club.

*El dominio y otros derechos reales,* Real Property lectures for the Judicial Academy, April 2012

*La posesión,* Real Property lectures for the Judicial Academy, May 2012

*La estipulación a favor de tercero,* II Congreso de Derecho de Construcción, Conference at Inter American University School of Law , 2006

*Reflexiones sobre la naturaleza de la interpretación jurídica: entre Betti y Gadamer.* Conference held in Inter American University, Aguadilla Campus, November 1995.

*Aspectos registrales en la constitución del régimen de propiedad horizontal y su carácter catastral.* Conference held in University of Puerto Rico School of Law, February 1994.

*Evangelización y Violencia en la Conquista de América: Comentarios sobre la obra de Luis Rivera Pagán.* First Symposium on the Socio-Economic History of Eastern Puerto Rico, November 1993.

*Historia de la Historia; reflexiones sobre una pesadilla.* II Congress of Historian of the Eastern side of Puerto Rico, Fajardo, November 1992.

#### **CONGRESSES/BOARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS:**

*Commissioner,* Puerto Rico's Civil Rights Commission (2020-2025), appointed by the Governor of Puerto Rico with the advice and consent of the Senate of Puerto Rico.

*President,* Continuing Legal Education Board, Supreme Court of Puerto Rico, 2015 to present.

*I-III Congreso de Derecho de Construcción,* Continuing Legal Education Office, Inter American University School of Law, Organizing Committee, 2004, 2006, 2008.

*Thucydides Conference,* George Mason University School of Law, Law & Economics Center, October 18-21, 2007, San Diego, California.

*XIV Congreso de Derecho de Familia,* Inter American University School of Law, Organizing Committee, 2006

*Supervivencia de las Culturas Indígenas en América Latina.* Seminar sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities, celebrated in Inter American University of Puerto Rico, Arecibo Campus. Summer, 1995.

*Summer Seminar for Community College Faculty on Approaches to Peace in a Changing World.* Seminar sponsored by The United States Institute of Peace, Washington D.C, June, 1995.

*Impacto del Humanismo en el Nuevo Mundo.* Seminar sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities, celebrated in Inter American University of Puerto Rico, Aguadilla Campus. Summer, 1993.

#### **INVESTIGACIONES:**

*Informe sobre la Accesión y la Posesión* for the Permanent Commission for the Revision of the Civil Code of the Puerto Rico Legislature (2002).

*Impacto Social, Educativo y Económico de las Iglesias en los Municipios de Canóvanas, Loíza, Río Grande, Luquillo, Fajardo, Ceiba, Vieques y Culebra.* Team field investigation under the Investigation Center of Inter American University of Puerto Rico, 1989-1991.