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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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Associate Professor of Legal Studies (with tenure), 2019-present

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Assistant Professor of Legal Studies, 2013-2019

- Fulbright Scholar, Teaching/Research Award, Argentina 2017-18
Project: *La Ley de la Deuda Soberana: Asuntos Actuales (Current Issues in the Law of Sovereign Debt)* at Facultad de Derecho (Law School) at Universidad de Buenos Aires
- Core Faculty, Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute (LACSI) at UGA

EDUCATION

The University of Texas School of Law, Austin, TX

Juris Doctor, *with Honors*, 2010

The University of Texas, Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies, Austin, TX

MA, Latin American Studies, 2010

The University of Georgia, Athens, GA

BA, International Affairs, 2004

ARTICLES

- *Promises and Perils of Sovereign Debt Transparency*, 49 YALE JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW __ (forthcoming 2024) (with Stephen Kim Park)
- *TL;DR: The Law and Linguistics of Social Platform Terms-of-Use*, 39 BERKELEY TECHNOLOGY LAW JOURNAL __ (forthcoming 2023) (with Katherine Ireland & Caroline Kraczon)
- *On the Systemic Importance of Digital Platforms*, 25 UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA JOURNAL OF BUSINESS LAW 141 (2023) (with Lindsay Sain Jones)
- *Investment Law's Transparency Gap*, 55 CORNELL INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL 9 (2023) (with Sebastian Puerta)
- *Investment Disputes and Federal Power in Foreign Relations*, 59 COLUMBIA JOURNAL OF TRANSNATIONAL LAW 247 (2021)
- *Distrust, Disorder, and the New Governance of Sovereign Debt*, 62 HARVARD INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL 175 (2021) (with Stephen Kim Park)

- *Winning and Losing in Investor-State Dispute Settlement*, 56 AMERICAN BUSINESS LAW JOURNAL 115 (2019)
- *Tribunalizing Sovereign Debt: Argentina’s Experience with Investor-State Dispute Settlement*, 50 VANDERBILT JOURNAL OF TRANSNATIONAL LAW 1033 (2017) (invited symposium) (with Stephen Kim Park)
- *Puerto Rico’s Debt Dilemma and Pathways Towards Sovereign Solvency*, 54 AMERICAN BUSINESS LAW JOURNAL 9 (2017) (with Stephen Kim Park)
- *Dead or Alive? The Law, Policy, and Market Effects of Legislation on Unclaimed Life Insurance Benefits*, 31 NOTRE DAME JOURNAL OF LAW, ETHICS & PUBLIC POLICY 1 (2017) (with James M. Carson & Robert E. Hoyt)
- *Settling Sovereign Debt’s “Trial of the Century”*, 31 EMORY INTERNATIONAL LAW REVIEW 5 (2016) (with Juan J. Cruces)
- *Towards Sovereign Equity*, 21 STANFORD JOURNAL OF LAW, BUSINESS & FINANCE 240 (2016) (with Stephen Kim Park)
- *A New Era for Energy in Mexico? The 2013-14 Energy Reform*, 50 TEXAS INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL 603 (2016)
- *Rogue Trends in Sovereign Debt: Argentina, Vulture Funds, and Pari Passu Under New York Law*, 35 NORTHWESTERN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW & BUSINESS 49 (2014)
- *Franchise Law in Chile: Current Issues and Future Outlook*, 20 LAW & BUSINESS REVIEW OF THE AMERICAS 107 (2014) (invited symposium) (with Guillermo Carey & Paulina Silva)
- *The Past, Present, and Future of Energy in Mexico: Prospects for Reform in Mexico Under the Peña Nieto Administration*, 35 HOUSTON JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 697 (2013) (with José Luis Vittor)
- *Energy Reform and the Future of Mexico’s Oil Industry: The Pemex Bidding Rounds and Integrated Service Contracts*, 7 TEXAS JOURNAL OF OIL, GAS & ENERGY LAW 215 (2012) (with José Luis Vittor)

BOOK CHAPTERS

- *Consumer Contracting in the Smartphone Era: New Challenges, An Old Conundrum*, in EMERGING ISSUES AT THE INTERSECTION OF COMMERCIAL LAW AND TECHNOLOGY ___ (Stacy-Ann Elvy & Nancy Kim eds., forthcoming 2023)

OTHER WRITING AND PUBLICATIONS

- Lindsay Sain Jones & Tim R Samples, *On the Systemic Importance of Digital Platforms*, OXFORD BUSINESS LAW BLOG (July 27, 2022)
- Sebastian Puerta & Tim Samples, *Assessing Outcomes in ISDS*, INVESTMENT TREATY NEWS (Oct. 5, 2020)
- Tim Samples & Atman Shukla, *Book Review, Arbitration of M&A Transactions: A Practical Global Guide*, ITA IN REVIEW (2020)
- Brief of Professors at Law and Business Schools as *Amici Curiae* in Support of Granting Certiorari in *Argentine Republic v. Petersen* and *YPF v. Petersen* in the Supreme Court of the United States (Dec. 3, 2018)

- Tim Samples, *My Short Life as (the Face of) a Russian Disinformation Troll*, COLUMBIA JOURNALISM REVIEW (July 30, 2018)
- Stephen Park & Tim Samples, *PROMESA and Puerto Rico's Pathways to Solvency*, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL FORUM ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND FINANCIAL REGULATION (Sept. 16, 2016)
- Juan J. Cruces & Tim Samples, *Time to Settle Sovereign Debt's "Trial of the Century"?*, COLUMBIA LAW SCHOOL BLUE SKY BLOG (Jan. 26, 2016)
- Stephen Park & Tim Samples, *Ukraine's Quietly Revolutionary Debt Restructuring*, FINANCIAL TIMES (Sept. 17, 2015)
- Stephen Park & Tim Samples, *Sovereign Equity – A Way Forward on Sovereign Debt?*, COLUMBIA LAW SCHOOL BLUE SKY BLOG (July 30, 2015)

SELECTED MEDIA MENTIONS: PRINT, RADIO, TELEVISION

- *AfterCitgo, Much of Venezuela's Debt Will Remain Unpaid*, Caroline Simson, LAW360 (May 12, 2023)
- *What Investors Watch Out for in Emerging Markets in 2023*, Jorgelina Do Rosario & Karin Strohecker, REUTERS (Dec. 28, 2022)
- *Morning Briefing: Europe Edition*, Natasha Frost, N.Y. TIMES (June 28, 2022)
- *Russia Misses Bond Deadline, Signaling Its First Default on Foreign Debt Since 1918*, Eshe Nelson, N.Y. TIMES (June 27, 2022)
- *U.S. Will Start Blocking Russia's Bond Payments to American Investors*, Alan Rappeport & Eshe Nelson, N.Y. TIMES (May 24, 2022)
- *Défaut ou pas défaut? Ce que l'on sait du cas russe*, Ali Bekhtaoui, AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE (May 5, 2022)
- *Default or Not? What We Know in the Case of Russia*, Ali Bekhtaoui, BARRON'S (May 4, 2022)
- *Creditors to Face Headaches as Russian Default Looms*, Caroline Simson, LAW360 (April 18, 2022)
- *A Russian Default is Looming. A Bitter Fight is Likely to Follow*, Alan Rappeport, N.Y. TIMES (April 16, 2022)
- *3 Things to Know as Russia Heads to a Historic Debt Default*, David Gura, NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO – All Things Considered (April 12, 2022)
- *Post-COVID Sovereign Debt Crisis is Looming, Experts Warn*, Caroline Simson, LAW360 (June 8, 2021)
- *Bond Traders Are Already Bracing for Argentina's Next Default*, Scott Squires, BLOOMBERG (Aug. 18, 2020)
- *New York Lawmakers' Last-Minute Move May Cost Argentina Dearly*, Patrick Gillespie & Scott Squires, BLOOMBERG (May 27, 2020)
- *Mass Arbitrations Are Here, But Jury's Out on Practicability*, Caroline Simson, LAW360 (Feb. 13, 2020)
- *Even the Good News Is Bad for Ukraine's President Zelenskij*, Áine Quinn & Martin Eder, BLOOMBERG (Feb. 10, 2020)

- *Venezuela Oil Exports Down 40% After Trump Sanctions*, AMERICAN MEDIA INSTITUTE (March 1, 2019)
- *Chile y México se presentan como amicus curiae en el juicio por YPF en EE.UU.*, Maia Jastreblansky, LA NACIÓN (December 4, 2018)
- *What's the matter with Twitter?*, Daniel Funke, POYNTER (August 9, 2018)
- *Major Oil Companies Embrace Latin America*, Robbie Whelan, Paulo Trevisani, Bradley Olson, WALL STREET JOURNAL (May 21, 2018)
- *Pemex CEO Becomes Mexico's Finance Minister*, Adam Williams, BLOOMBERG (Nov. 27, 2017)
- *Two Killer Refinery Fires No Help as Pemex Seeks Partners*, Adam Williams & Amy Stillman, BLOOMBERG (June 15, 2017)
- *Grieta, El Juez que Marcó con sus Fallos un Antes y un Después en Litigios de Deudas Soberanas*, Mariano Boettner, DIARIO BAE (June 11, 2017)
- *The Obscure Rule Change that Added \$5.7 Billion to Pemex's Books*, Adam Williams, BLOOMBERG (May 24, 2017)
- *Argentina Takes More Aggressive Stance with Bond Holdouts*, Julie Wernau, WALL STREET JOURNAL (Feb. 12, 2016)
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- Live TV interview on CNN EN ESPAÑOL, *Crisis y Deuda Externa en América Latina*, Café CNN (Feb. 12, 2016)
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- *Mariachis, Tacos, \$100 Billion Oil Debt as Pemex Opens in Texas*, Adam Williams & Dan Martough, BLOOMBERG (Dec. 14, 2015)
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- Radio interview on MORNING REPORT *Mexico's Auction of New Areas for Oil Drilling Succeeds*, Nova Safo, MARKETPLACE (Oct. 1, 2015)
- *Mexico's Flirt With Big Oil Gets Italian Nod as Eni Wins Bid*, Adam Williams & Andrea Navarro, BLOOMBERG (Sep. 30, 2015)
- *After Oil Auction Snub, Mexico Sweetens Pot – But is it Enough?*, Andrea Navarro, BLOOMBERG (Sep. 29, 2015)
- *Mexico Learns Lessons After Oil Auction Flop*, Jude Webber, FINANCIAL TIMES (Sept. 27, 2015)
- Live TV interview on CNN EN ESPAÑOL, *Implicaciones de un Dólar Fuerte en América Latina*, Café CNN (Aug. 20, 2015)
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- *Five Things to Watch as Mexico Starts Historic Oil Auctions*, Andrea Navarro, BLOOMBERG (July 15, 2015)
- *Greece, Argentina Provide Model as Ukraine Considers GDP Linkers*, Lyubov Pronina & Katia Porzecanski, BLOOMBERG (July 15, 2015)
- Radio interview on BBC WORLD SERVICE, *Mexico Reopens Oil Sector*, BBC Newshour (July 15, 2015)
- *Mexico's Energy Overhaul Faces Test with First Oil Auction*, Laurence Iliff, WALL STREET JOURNAL (July 14, 2015)
- *Mexico Battles Bad Timing in 1st Sale of Oil Fields Since 1930s*, Adam Williams & Juan Pablo Spinetto, BLOOMBERG (July 13, 2015)
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- *Mexican President to Reopen Oil Fields to Foreigners*, Craig Mellow, BARRON'S (July 3, 2015)
- *Search Starts for Cause of Abkatun-A Disaster*, Kathrine Schmidt, UPSTREAM (April 10, 2015)
- *Cambios Fiscales y Beurocráticos en la Ronda 1*, Javier Arreola, FORBES – MÉXICO (April 7, 2015)
- *Oil Companies Show Active Interest in Mexican Energy Tracts*, Laurence Iliff, WALL STREET JOURNAL (Mar. 31, 2015)
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- *Mexico Approves Offshore Bid Guidelines in Oil Opening*, Adam Williams & Andrea Navarro, BLOOMBERG (Dec. 10, 2014)
- *Talks to resolve Argentina's sovereign debt battle face a number of hurdles*, Benedict Mander, FINANCIAL TIMES (Nov. 17, 2014)
- Live TV interview on CNN EN ESPAÑOL, *El Precio del Petróleo y Su Impacto en América Latina*, Café CNN (Nov. 7, 2014)
- *Global giants head for court in Argentine assets wrangle*, Benedict Mander, FINANCIAL TIMES (Sept. 3, 2014)

- *Pemex Pursuing Tax Reimbursement After Overstating Output*, Adam Williams & Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, BLOOMBERG (Aug. 28, 2014)
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- *Hedge Fund Targets Nevada Firms in Argentine Debt Dispute*, Taos Turner & Santiago Pérez, WALL STREET JOURNAL (Aug. 15, 2014)
- *Mexico Outlines Plan to Open Oil Fields to Private Companies*, Laurence Iliff & Juan Montes, WALL STREET JOURNAL (Aug. 13, 2014)
- *Mexico Oil Output Bloated Water Barrels, Official Says*, Adam Williams & Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, BLOOMBERG (Aug. 13, 2014)
- *The Argentinian Sovereign Bond Litigation, Part I*, Professor Sung Hui Kim, THE CONGLOMERATE BLOG (Aug. 11, 2014)
- *Congress votes to open up energy sector*, Kathrine Schmidt, UPSTREAM (Aug. 8, 2014)
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- Live TV interview on CNN EN ESPAÑOL, *Argentina en default*, Café CNN (July 30, 2014)
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- *Singer Pedirá el Embargo de Activos YPF*, Nicolás Fiorentino, BAE NEGOCIOS (June 20, 2014)
- *YPF Slumps as NML's Singer Seeks Argentine Asset Information*, Pablo Gonzalez, BLOOMBERG (June 19, 2014)
- *Argentine Bonds Plunge After U.S. Supreme Court Rejects Appeal*, Camila Russo & Katia Porzecanski, BLOOMBERG (June 16, 2014)
- *Kicking off the Mexican Oil Party*, BNAMERICAS, Oil & Gas Intelligence Series, (May 28, 2014)
- Live TV interview on CNN EN ESPAÑOL, *La reforma energética en México*, Café CNN (May 7, 2014)
- *Mexico reform details 'hold few surprises'*, Kathrine Schmidt, UPSTREAM (May 2, 2014)
- *Mexico Outlines New Oil Sector Policies for Private Firms*, Juan Montes & Laurence Iliff, WALL STREET JOURNAL, page A11 (Apr. 30, 2014)

- *Mexico Backs Argentina in Dispute With Bond Holdouts*, Anthony Harrup & Shane Romig, WALL STREET JOURNAL (Mar. 26, 2014)
- *Mexico Focus: New landscape awaits*, Kathrine Schmidt, UPSTREAM, page 29 (Mar. 7, 2014)
- *Mexico Energy: Oil's New Era*, James Fredrick, LATIN FINANCE (Mar. 1, 2014)
- *La carrera global por la “joya nacional” del petróleo de México*, Luis Fajardo, BBC MUNDO (Feb. 11, 2014)
- *El auge energético de EE.UU. obliga a Pemex a buscar nuevos clientes*, Anthony Harrup, WALL STREET JOURNAL AMERICAS (Jan. 27, 2014) [also appeared in EL PERIÓDICO DE MÉXICO and SENTIDO COMÚN]
- *Shale Boom Forces Pemex to Find New Buyers*, Anthony Harrup, WALL STREET JOURNAL, B1 (Jan. 24, 2014)
- *Mexico Opens Its Energy Sector to Private Investment*, Carrie Kahn, NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO – Morning Edition (Dec. 17 2013)
- *Mexico turns to the hard business of delivering energy reform*, Jude Webber, FINANCIAL TIMES (Dec. 15, 2013)
- *Mexico’s Congress passes energy reform bill*, Richard Fausset & Tracy Wilkinson, LOS ANGELES TIMES (Dec. 12, 2013)
- *Reform could cut Pemex union board seats*, Kathrine Schmidt, UPSTREAM (Dec. 11, 2013)
- *Mexico’s Senate passes sweeping oil industry reforms*, Richard Fausset, LOS ANGELES TIMES (Dec. 11, 2013)
- *Mexico Debates Deeper Energy Overhaul*, Juan Montes & Laurence Iliff, WALL STREET JOURNAL, A13 (Dec. 9, 2013) [also appeared in BARRON’S]
- *Mexican energy bill set for rough ride*, Jude Webber, FINANCIAL TIMES, page 3 (Dec. 8, 2013)
- *Energy reform takes shape in Mexico behind the barricades*, Jude Webber, FINANCIAL TIMES, page 4 (Dec. 3, 2013)
- *Peña Nieto gets serious on Mexico’s energy reform*, John Paul Rathbone & Jude Webber, FINANCIAL TIMES (Nov. 7, 2013)
- *México evalúa una reforma más ambiciosa del sector energético*, Juan Montes, WALL STREET JOURNAL AMERICAS (Nov. 6, 2013)
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- *Mexico Seeks Deeper Revamp of Energy Sector*, Juan Montes, WALL STREET JOURNAL, A12 (Nov. 5, 2013)

- *Pemex Rejects Sole Pipeline Bid*, Laurence Iliff, WALL STREET JOURNAL (Oct. 15, 2013)
- *Mexico Plans Oil Reserve Sweetener to Lure Exxon, Chevron*, Nacha Cattán & Carlos Manuel Rodríguez, BLOOMBERG (Aug. 14, 2013)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Hogan Lovells LLP, Houston, Texas

Associate – M&A, energy, Latin America (2011-2013)

Bracewell LLP, Houston, Texas

Associate (2010-2011), Summer Associate (2009)

The Honorable Andrew Austin, Magistrate Judge, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas, Austin, Texas

Judicial Intern (Summer 2008)

Latinvalley Ltda., Santiago, Chile

Analyst, Industrial Cooperation Program (2005-2006)

LANGUAGES

English: native

Spanish: fluent (oral and written; can peer review)

Portuguese: limited proficiency (oral and written)

EDITORIAL SERVICE

American Business Law Journal

Guest Articles Editor, 2023

Staff Editor, 2019-present

Reviewer, 2014-2019

Ad hoc reviews

Osgoode Hall Law Journal, Journal of Financial Regulation & Compliance, Comparative Economic Studies, American Law and Economics Review

BAR ADMISSIONS

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MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

Academy of Legal Studies in Business, 2012-present

American Society of International Law, 2020-present

European Society of International Law, 2021-present

Southeastern Academy of Legal Studies in Business, 2014-present

Honorary Member, Fundación Universitaria Río de la Plata (2009)