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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2022-Present **Santa Clara University School of Law**, Santa Clara, California
Alfred A. Ruffo Assistant Professor of Law
Assistant Professor of Law

EDUCATION

2022 **Ph.D. in Political Science and International Relations**
University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
Dissertation: *Things Fall Apart: The Unraveling of International Institutions through Withdrawal*
Committee: Wayne Sandholtz (Chair); Patrick James; Abby Wood (Law); Benjamin Graham; Andrew Coe (Vanderbilt)
Fields: International Security & Foreign Policy; International Political Economy; and International Law

2010 **J.D. and LL.M. in International and Comparative Law**
Cornell Law School, Ithaca, NY

2006 **B.A. in Philosophy and Political Science, *cum laude***
University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

LAW REVIEW/JOURNAL ARTICLES

- [1] *A Problem-Solving Approach to International AI Governance* 32 U.C. DAVIS J. INT'L L. & POL'Y 149 (2026)
- [2] *Appeals to Fairness: Does the Appeal Process at the ICC Enhance Its Legitimacy?* 31 U.C. DAVIS J. INT'L L. & POL'Y 66 (2025)
- [3] *Exit through the White House: Constraints on Presidential Power to Withdraw Unilaterally from Treaties* 12 TEXAS A&M L.R. 207 (2024)
- [4] *On Second Thought: An Empirical Analysis of When the Supreme Court Decides Not to Decide* (with Adam Feldman) 55 LOY. U. CHI. L.J. 241 (2023)

- [5] *Rights for the Landless: Comparing Approaches to Historical Injustice in Brazil and South Africa* 44 COLUMBIA HUMAN RIGHTS L. REV. 171 (2012)
- [6] *Counterfeit Conspiracy: The Misapplication of Conspiracy as a Substantive Crime in International Law* 17 ILSA J. INT'L & COMP. L. 1 (2010)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- [1] *Arming Costs Humanity More Than War* (with Andrew J. Coe) (under review)
- [2] *Boomerang Removal*
- [3] *Measuring Treaty Obligation*
- [4] *The Ties that (Un)bind: A Network Analysis of Treaty Exit*
- [5] *Asking for the Moon: A Bargaining Model of Treaty Exit*
- [6] *Developing the Final Frontier: Defining Private Property Rights on Celestial Bodies for the Benefit of All Mankind* (August 16, 2010), available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=1660163>

OPINION, COMMENTARY, AND PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

- [1] *Federal Civil Cases Are Resolved in a Year, On Average, But Obtaining a Judgment Through Trial Adds an Extra Year*, THE JURIS LAB, May 26, 2021 (republished in Above the Law, May 28, 2021)
- [2] *Where Do International Judges Go to School? Mostly, in Europe, the U.K., and the U.S.*, THE JURIS LAB, April 12, 2021 (republished in Above the Law, April 23, 2021)
- [3] *Removal and Remand: Investigating the Data on Removal to Federal Court*, THE JURIS LAB, March 18, 2021
- [4] *Civil Case Filings in Federal Court Decreased in 2020, but Expect More Filings as the Economy Improves*, THE JURIS LAB, March 4, 2021
- [5] *Women Are Still Underrepresented on International Courts, But Trends Are Improving*, THE JURIS LAB, February 18, 2021
- [6] *Not by Telecommuting Alone: Innovating Parenthood in the Legal Profession Through Technology and Shifts in Management Norms*, LAW PRACTICE TODAY (ABA Law Practice Division), January 2014
- [7] *Opening the Floodgates: Riverisland's Reversal of the Pendergrass Limitation to the Fraud Exception to the Parol Evidence Rule*, ABTL REPORT: ORANGE COUNTY, Winter 2013
- [8] *Q&A with the Hon. Jean P. Rosenbluth*, ABTL REPORT: ORANGE COUNTY, Summer 2012
- [9] *Will the Arbitration Fairness Act of 2007 Make Securities Arbitration Fair?* 15 PIABA BAR JOURNAL 3 (2008)

AWARDS AND HONORS

2020	12th Annual USC Graduate Research Symposium, Social Sciences Division, Second Place (\$500)
2008	James E. Beckley Writing Competition, Third place

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

Fellowships

2020	USC Graduate School Russell Endowed Fellowship (USC)
2016	Michael R. Young Memorial Fund Fellowship (USC)
2007–2010	Philip and Betsy Eisenberg Scholarship Fund Recipient (Cornell)

Grants

2016–2021	SIR/POIR Summer Research Grant
2018–2020	CIS Graduate Student Research Grant (\$500, \$1,000, \$1,000)
2019	Russell Endowed Fellowship Travel/Research Award (\$1,500)
2019	Judith Reppy Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies Travel Grant (\$500)
2018	APSA Travel Grant (unused)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AND PANELS

Conference and Workshop Presentations

2026	Junior International Law Scholars Association (JILSA) Annual Workshop, University of Hawaii William S. Richardson School of Law; Annual Civil Procedure Workshop, Fordham Law School
2025	Loyola Law School Faculty Enrichment Workshop, Los Angeles, CA; Annual John Mercer Langston Writing Workshop, Univ. of Washington School of Law, Seattle, WA; Junior International Law Scholars Association (JILSA) Summer Workshop (virtual)
2024	Junior Scholars Conference, Northeastern Univ. School of Law, Boston, MA; ISA Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA; Annual John Mercer Langston Writing Workshop, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Chicago, Illinois; Junior International Law Scholars Association (JILSA) Summer Workshop (virtual); ASIL Midyear Meeting Research Forum, Univ. of Chicago Law School, Chicago, Illinois

2023	Univ. of Arizona Law Faculty Enrichment Workshop, Tucson, AZ; Junior Faculty Forum, Univ. of Richmond School of Law, Richmond, Virginia; Annual John Mercer Langston Writing Workshop, CUNY School of Law, New York, NY; Northern California International Law Scholars (NCILS) Workshop, Santa Clara, CA; UC Davis Law Faculty Enrichment Workshop, Davis, CA; Peace Science Society Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO
2022	ASIL International Law in Domestic Courts Annual Meeting, Ithaca, NY
2021	SPSA Annual Conference, Virtual; ISA Annual Conference, Virtual; Graduate Student International Political Economy Workshop (GSIPE), Virtual; PolNet XIV, Virtual
2020	ISA Annual Conference, Honolulu, HI (cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic); ISA West Annual Conference, Virtual
2019	ISA Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada; Judith Reppy Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies Interdisciplinary Graduate Workshop, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York; ISA West Annual Conference, Pasadena, CA
2018	ISA Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA; APSA Annual Conference, Boston, MA; ISA West Annual Conference, Pasadena, CA; ASIL Midyear Meeting Research Forum, UCLA Law School, Los Angeles, CA; USC-UCLA Graduate Student Int'l Relations/Int'l Law Workshop
2017	ISA West Annual Conference, Pasadena, CA

Discussant and Panelist

2025	Annual John Mercer Langston Writing Workshop, Univ. of Washington School of Law, Seattle, WA, <i>Discussant</i> Northern California International Law Scholars (NCILS) Workshop, <i>Discussant</i>
2023	SCU Law Conversation re Conflict between Israel and Hamas, <i>Panelist</i>
2022	Northern California International Law Scholars (NCILS) Workshop, <i>Discussant</i>
2022	Ph.D. Academy: Ace Your Exams!, USC Dornsife College, <i>Panelist</i>
2021	GSIPE Virtual Conference on the IPE of Trade, <i>Chair</i>
2016, 2017, 2019–2021	USC CIS Working Paper Series, <i>Discussant</i>
2021	Ph.D. Academy: Preparing for Exams, USC Dornsife College, <i>Panelist</i>
2020	Ph.D. Academy: Forming a Dissertation Committee, USC Dornsife College, <i>Panelist</i>

Professional

2022	“MSJs: What are they good for? Strategies for Successfully Moving for Summary Judgment or Adjudication,” Orange County Bar Assoc., Tort and Trial Section, Virtual
2014	“Know Your Rights: Women’s Rights in Modern Romania,” Touched Romania, Bucharest, Romania

2014	“Five Best Practices to Avoid Painful Litigation,” Regus Offices, Newport Beach, CA
2012	“Young Attorney Perspectives,” University of California Irvine School of Law, Irvine, CA
2008	“Common Scams: Schemes, Methods and Warning Signs,” <i>Investment Fraud Prevention</i> , Cornell Law School Securities Law Clinic

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Santa Clara University School of Law

Assistant Professor of Law

Spring 2023–2026	Legal Aspects of War: Humanitarian Law
Spring 2023–2026	Civil Procedure 2
Fall 2022–2025	Civil Procedure 1
Summer 2024–2026	Summer Abroad in The Hague (<i>Director</i>)
Summer 2025	Summer Abroad in Geneva (<i>Director</i>)

University of Southern California

Teaching Assistant

Spring 2022	IR101: International Relations
Spring 2019	IR210: International Relations: Introductory Analysis
Fall 2018	IR213: The Global Economy
Spring 2017	IR210: International Relations: Introductory Analysis

Guest Lecturer

Fall 2017	IR318: Violent Conflict
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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2020	Research Assistant, Prof. Jeb Barnes (with Prof. Parker Hevron) <i>University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA</i>
2016–2018	Research Assistant, Prof. Andrew J. Coe <i>University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA</i>
2018	Research Assistant, Prof. Benjamin A.T. Graham (with Allison Kingsley) <i>University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA</i>
2005	Research Assistant, Prof. Sheldon Kamienecki <i>University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA</i>

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2014–Present **Of Counsel, Hall Griffin LLP (formerly Green & Hall LLP)**
Santa Ana, CA
- 2013–2014 **Owner/Attorney, The Law Office of Taylor R. Dalton**
Newport Beach, CA
- 2011–2013 **Associate Attorney, Rutan & Tucker, LLP**
Costa Mesa, CA
- 2008 **Summer Law Clerk, U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of New York**
Syracuse, NY
- 2008 **Law Student Volunteer, Orleans Public Defenders**
New Orleans, LA
- 2006–2007 **Copy Editor, PR Newswire**
Los Angeles, CA

SKILLS, TRAINING, & FIELD RESEARCH

Skills and Experience

Proficiency with R; Python (basic); LaTeX; Qualtrics; Westlaw; LexisNexis; Tableau

Data management, web scraping, statistical analysis, automated text analysis, network analysis, and data visualization (primarily in R using *tidyverse*)

Field Research

- 2020 Elite interviews, Washington, D.C.
- 2019 Elite interviews, London, UK and The Hague, Netherlands
- 2016 Elite interviews, Taipei, Taiwan and Bangkok, Thailand
- 2016–2018 Archival research (experience with U.S. and British Archives)

Formal Training (outside Ph.D. program)

- 2018 **Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR)**, Syracuse, NY
Mixed-Methods Research; Natural Experiments; Causal Inference from Causal Models; Computer Assisted Text Analysis; and Social Networks
- 2017 **EITM Europe Summer Institute, Turin, Italy**
Theoretical Foundations of EITM; Bayesian Nets; and (Mixed) Methods in International Cooperation: Theory and Applications

International Study (Law School)

- 2009 Semester in London Programme, University College London, U.K.
- 2008 Summer Law Institute, Soochow University, Suzhou, China

SERVICE

2026	ASIL 2026 Research Forum Co-Chair
2025–2026	Human Subjects Committee, Santa Clara University
2025–2026	Faculty Appointments Committee, Santa Clara University Law School
2024–2025	Faculty Enrichment Committee, Santa Clara University Law School
2022–2024	Faculty Admissions Committee, Santa Clara University Law School
2023–2026	<i>Advisor</i> , Santa Clara University Law School Public Interest J.D. Program
2023–2025	<i>Moot Court Judge</i> , Galloway Moot Court Competition (first-year law students), Santa Clara University Law School
2020–2021	<i>Moderating Team</i> , (2020), <i>Planning Team</i> (2021), Graduate Student International Political Economy Workshop (GSIPE)
2019–2021	<i>Panelist</i> , USC POIR Predoctoral Institute for First Generation and Diverse Scholars
2018–2021	<i>Graduate Student Representative</i> , ISA Western Region
2019	<i>Attorney Judge</i> , Chapman Law School Moot Court Competition Board
2016–2017	<i>Treasurer</i> , USC POIR, Graduate Student Association
2012, 2020*	<i>Mentor</i> , UCI Law School (*cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic)
2012-Present	<i>Mentor and Associate Board Member</i> , Orange County Bar Foundation (Project Youth) 2016 Outstanding Volunteer Mentor Award 2013–2014 Associate Board President
2012-Present	<i>Pro Bono Attorney</i> , Public Law Center <i>Volunteer Attorney</i> , PLC Naturalization Fairs
2012	<i>Attorney Scorer</i> , CRF-OC's Orange County Mock Trial Competition
2009–2010	<i>Senior Acquisitions Editor</i> , Cornell Journal of Law and Public Policy, Vol. 19

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Society of International Law (ASIL)
International Studies Association (ISA)
American Political Science Association (APSA)
State Bar of California
U.S. Supreme Court
U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
U.S. District Court, Central District of California
U.S. District Court, Southern District of California
Orange County Bar Association (OCBA) (*inactive*)

REFERENCES

Available upon request