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Publications, Conference Presentations, and Other Scholarly Activities (July 2017)
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1. Law Journal/Review Articles (published; in press):

“Revisiting Transnational Corporations and Extractive Industries: Climate Justice, Feminism, and State Sovereignty” (2017) 26:2 *Transnational Law & Contemporary Problems* 383-413
(*Symposium: International Environmental Law, Environmental Justice, and the Global South*).

CIGI Paper No. 129, “The Canadian Country Visit of the United Nations Working Group on Business and Human Rights”, International Law Research Program, (Centre for International Governance Innovation, May 2017), online:
<https://www.cigionline.org/sites/default/files/documents/Paper%20no.129.pdf>

“Human Rights and Extractive Industries: Environmental Law and Standards” *Human Rights Law and the Extractive Industries*, Paper No. 12, Page No. 12-1 – 12-42 (Rocky Mt. Min. L. Fdn. 2016).

“Indigenous Rights, Environmental Rights, or Stakeholder Engagement? Comparing IFC and OECD Approaches to the Implementation of the Business Responsibility to Respect Human Rights” (2016) 12:1 *McGill Journal of Sustainable Development Law* 48-91, online:
https://www.mcgill.ca/mjsdl/files/mjsdl/volume_12_issue_1_seck-10-03-2016.pdf

(with Michael Slattery) “Business, Human Rights, and the IBA Achieving Climate Justice Report” (2015) 34:1 *Journal of Energy and Natural Resources Law* 1-11.

“Business, Human Rights, and Canadian Mining Lawyers” (2015) 56 *Canadian Business Law Journal* 208-237.

“Energy in the Great Lakes Region: Imagining a Shared Strategy” (2015) 39 *Canada-United States Law Journal* 20-35, online: <http://scholarlycommons.law.case.edu/cuslj/vol39/iss/2>

“Transnational Judicial and Non-Judicial Remedies for Corporate Human Rights Harms: Challenges of and for Law” (2013) 31:1 *Windsor Yearbook of Access to Justice* 177-195:
<http://ojs.uwindsor.ca/ojs/ledgy/index.php/WYAJ/article/view/4320>

“Emerging-Market Multinational Enterprises, Human Rights, and Sustainable Development: Lessons from the Canadian Experience”, (2013) 22 *Transnational Corporations* 73-100:
<http://investmentpolicyhub.unctad.org/Upload/Documents/TNC%20Vol%2022no3.pdf>

(with Craig Brown), “Insurance Law Principles in an International Context: Compensating Losses caused by Climate Change”, (2013) 50:4 *Alberta Law Review* 541-576 (special issue on insurance law).

“Home State Regulation of Environmental Human Rights Harms as Transnational Private Regulatory Governance”, (2012) 13 *German Law Journal* 1363-1385:
https://www.germanlawjournal.com/pdfs/Vol13-No12/PDF_Vol_13_No_12_1363-1385_Articles_Seck.pdf

“Canadian Mining Internationally and the UN Guiding Principles for Business and Human Rights” (2011) 49 *Canadian Yearbook of International Law* 51-116.

“Transnational Business and Environmental Harm: A TWAIL Analysis of Home State Obligations” (2011) 3(1) *Trade, Law & Development* 164-202 (TWAIL special issue, invited):
<http://www.tradelawdevelopment.com/index.php/tld/issue/archive>

“Unilateral Home State Regulation: Imperialism or Tool for Subaltern Resistance?” (2008) 46 *Osgoode Hall Law Journal* 565 -603 (edited volume, *Comparative Constitutionalism and Transnational Law*, guest editors Craig Scott & Peer Zumbansen) (invited).

“Home State Responsibility and Local Communities: The Case of Global Mining” (2008) 11 *Yale Human Rights & Development Law Journal* 177-206; *Reprinted in* C. Sri Krishna, ed., *Global Mining Experiences* (Amicus Books, Icfai Press, India, 2009).

“Strengthening Environmental Assessment of Canadian Supported Mining Ventures in Developing Countries” (2001) 11 *Journal of Environmental Law & Practice* 1-82.

"Environmental Harm in Developing Countries Caused by Subsidiaries of Canadian Mining Corporations: The Interface of Public and Private International Law" (1999) 37 *Canadian Yearbook of International Law* 139-221.

2. Book Chapters and Conference Symposia (published; in press)

a. Book Chapters

“Lessons for the Treaty Process from the International Law Commission and International Environmental Law” in *Perspectives on the Proposed Treaty on Business and Human Rights*, edited by Nicolás Carrillo-Santarelli and Jernej Letnar Čerňič (Intersentia, forthcoming 2017) (invited).

“Treaties, and the Emancipatory Potential of International Law” in Michael Coyle & John Borrows, eds, *The Right Relationship: Reimagining the Implementation of Historic Treaties* (University of Toronto Press, 2017) 344-368.

(with Kirsten Stefanik), “Business and Human Rights: Challenges in Accessing Remedy and Justice” in Gordon DiGiacomo, ed, *Human Rights* (University of Toronto Press, 2016) 381-410.

“Transnational Corporations and Extractive Industries” in *International Environmental Law and the Global South*, edited by Shawkat Alam, Sumudu Atapattu, Carmen G. Gonzalez and Jona Razzaque (Cambridge University Press, 2015) 380-398.

(with Anna Dolidze), “ITLOS Case No. 17 and the Evolving Principles for Corporate Responsibility under International Law” in *Responsibilities of the Non-State Actor in Armed Conflict and the Market Place*, edited by Noemi Gal-Or, Math Noortmann, and Cedric Ryngaert, (Brill Publishers, 2015) 235-259.

“Corporate Law Tools and the Guiding Principles for Business and Human Rights” in Manoj Kumar Sinha, ed., *Business and Human Rights* (Sage Publishers, 2013) 93-130.

“Collective Responsibility and Transnational Corporate Conduct”, in Richard Vernon & Tracy Isaacs, eds., *Accountability for Collective Wrongdoing* (Cambridge University Press, 2011) 140-168.

“Conceptualizing the Home State Duty to Protect Human Rights”, in Karin Buhman, Mette Morsing, & Lynn Roseberry, eds., *Corporate Social and Human Rights Responsibilities: Global Legal and Management Perspectives*, (Palgrave Macmillan, 2011) 25-51.

“Ecological Integrity and Third World Approaches to International Law”, in Laura Westra, Klaus Bosselmann, & Colin Soskolne, eds., *Globalisation and Ecological Integrity in Science and International Law* (Cambridge Scholars Press, 2011) 165-185.

b. Conference Proceedings

“Corporate Responsibility and Human Rights” in *Proceedings of the 108th Annual Meeting of the American Society of International Law: The Effectiveness of International Law (April 7-12, 2014)* (ASIL: Washington DC, 2015) 11-14.

“Introductory Remarks to International Environmental Law Interest Group Roundtable on Research Methodologies”, in *Proceedings of the 105th Annual Meeting of the American Society of International Law: Harmony and Dissonance in International Law (March 23-26, 2011)* (ASIL: Washington DC, 2012) 253-254.

“Corporate Civil Wrongs Committed Abroad” in *Responsibility of Individuals, States and Organizations, Proceedings of the 35th Annual Conference of the Canadian Council on International Law, Ottawa, October 26-28, 2006* (Ottawa: Canadian Council on International Law, 2007) 135-145.

“Keynote Address: Exploding the Myths; Why Governments are Reluctant to Regulate” in *Regulating Canadian Mining Companies Operating Internationally: Materials for a Conference held in Ottawa, October 20, 2005* (MiningWatch Canada; Ottawa, October 2005).

4. Discussion Papers/Technical Writings:

Sara L Seck, "Business Responsibilities for Human Rights and Climate Change" - A Contribution to the Work of the Study Group on Business and Human Rights of the International Law Association (May 25, 2017). Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=2974768> or <http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.2974768>

(with Michael Slattery), "Business Responsibilities for Human Rights Related to Climate Change" Legal Research Paper, International Law Research Program, Centre for International Governance Innovation (submitted May 2016, background research paper, unpublished)

(contributor), International Law Association Study Group on Due Diligence in International Law, Report, presented at the International Law Association's 77th Biennial Conference August 2016 in South Africa.

"International Corporate Social Responsibility Standards," Review and Discussion Paper, Conference theme: Human Rights, Environmental Rights, and Corporate Social Responsibility, prepared for the 3rd UNITAR-Yale Conference on Environmental Governance and Democracy, 5-7 September 2014, New Haven, USA, *Human Rights, Environmental Sustainability, Post-2-15 Development, and the Future Climate Regime*.

(with Antony Crockett), Discussion Paper for International Law Association Study Group on Business and Human Rights, presented at the International Law Association's 76th Biennial Conference (ASIL/ILA), April 7-12, 2014, Washington DC.

(contributor), Discussion Paper for International Law Association Study Group on Due Diligence in International Law, presented at the International Law Association's 76th Biennial Conference (ASIL/ILA), April 7-12, 2014, Washington DC.

Discussion Paper, "Redressing Resource Company Foreign Environmental Harm: Extraterritorial Environmental Liability Reform Proposals", prepared for *International Bar Association Conference*, Vancouver, B.C., October 6, 2010. (invited)

Submission to the OECD Working Party on Export Credits and Credit Guarantees: "The Legal Obligations with Respect to Human Rights and Export Credit Agencies", prepared by Özgür Can and Sara L. Seck (ECA-Watch, Halifax Initiative Coalition and ESCR-Net, June 2006).

5. Book Reviews:

Review of *The Governance Gap: Extractive industries, human rights, and the home state advantage* By Penelope Simons and Audrey Macklin, (2015) 15 Osgoode Hall Law Journal (forthcoming).

Review of *Chinese Contemporary Perspectives on International Law: History, Culture and International Law (Pocketbooks of The Hague Academy of International Law)*
By XUE Hanqin, (2015) 5 Asian Journal of International Law 209-210.

Review of *Corporate Social Responsibility: A Legal Analysis* by Michael Kerr, Richard Janda and Chip Pitts, (2010) 49 Canadian Business Law Journal 335-342.

6. Other Significant Unpublished Works:

PhD Dissertation

Home State Obligations for the Prevention and Remediation of Transnational Harm: Canada, Global Mining and Local Communities (PhD Thesis, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, 2008).

7. Presentations to Professional Meetings and Conferences:

2017:

“Climate Change, Corporate Social Responsibility, and the Extractive Industries”, Journal of Environmental Law and Practice Conference *We’ll always have Paris: Climate Change Law & Policy following the Paris Agreement*, Dalhousie University, Halifax Nova Scotia June 16-17, 2017.

“Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and Social License to Operate in the Natural Resources Industry”, Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, Natural Resources Law Teachers Institute, May 31-June 2, 2017, Banff Alberta

3rd Annual Conference of Sustainability Legal Educators, Arizona State University, May 2017

“Transnational Labour Law and the Environment: Beyond the bounded autonomous worker” Labour Law and Development Research Laboratory, McGill Faculty of Law, March 15, 2017 (invited).

“Devoir de Vigilance: A Canadian Perspective” Université Paris-Dauphine, Institut Droit Dauphine, Paris, France, March 8, 2017 (invited)

“A Gender Perspective on Business, Human Rights, and Sustainable Mining” Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Mining and Exploration, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, February 8, 2017 (invited).

“Legalizing Sustainable Business: Trade and the Environment” panel, International Development Conference 2017, *Bridging Theory and Practice*, University of Toronto, Scarborough, February 11-12, 2017 (invited).

“Relational Autonomy and the Bounded Sovereign State: Implications for Business and Human Rights in the Anthropocene”, Relationality, Place and Time panel, *Relational Autonomy Workshop*, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto, January 27-28, 2017

2016:

"An Environmental Perspective," Labour Regulation in the Global Value Chain: An Exploratory Workshop, Transnational Law Institute, The Dickson Poon School of Law, King's College London, UK, November 11-12, 2016

"Gender Dimensions of Ecology, Economy, and the Global South," International Environmental Law and the Global South Conference, University of Iowa Transnational Law and Contemporary Problems Symposium, October 20, 2016

“Human Rights Obligations of Businesses and Other Non-State Actors,” *International Environmental Governance and Innovation: Current Challenges and Future Directions*, Symposium, International Law Research Program, CIGI, Waterloo ON (July 20, 2016)

“International Law, Environmental Justice, and the Rights of Women and Girls,” **and** Discussant, “Properties and Politics of Transnational Law,” *Law & Society Conference*, New Orleans, June 2-5, 2016.

Participant, *Roundtable on Business Structures that Prioritize Human Rights*, Columbia University, Institute for the Study of Human Rights, May 24, 2016.

http://humanrightscolumbia.org/sites/default/files/documents/bhr/2016_05_roundtable_summary.pdf

Participant, *Teaching Business and Human Rights Workshop*, Columbia University Law School, Human Rights Institute, New York, May 23-24, 2016.

“International Law, Sustainable Development, and Environmental Justice,” *Second Annual Sustainability Conference of American Legal Educators*, Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law, Arizona State University – Tempe Campus, May 13, 2016

“Transnational Sovereignities in the Anthropocene,” *Transnational Sovereignities: Constellations, Processes, Contestations*, Transnational Law Institute, Kings College London, March 17-18, 2106.

Panelist, Western Environment and Sustainability Enviro Con, Inspiring Change, Education, and Awareness, Western University, London, ON, March 9, 2016.

“Environmental Law and Standards,” *Special Institute on Human Rights Law and the Extractive Industries*, Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, Panama City, Panama, February 18-19, 2016

2015:

Sara Seck and Stephen Pitel, CPD for Siskinds LLP, Business and Human Rights, and the Professional Responsibilities and Ethical Duties of Lawyers (December 2015).

Organizer and Participant, Side Event, “Business, Human Rights, and Climate Change” 4th Annual UN Forum on Business and Human Rights, Geneva, Switzerland November 17, 2015.

Roundtable organizer and participant, “Teaching International Law in a Time of Complexity” Canadian Council on International Law (CCIL) 44th Annual Conference, *International Law: Coherence or Chaos?* Ottawa, November 5-7, 2015.

Organized (with Kirsten Stefanik), Sustainable Mining, International Law, and the Rights of Women and Girls (September 2015), workshop report available at: <http://ir.lib.uwo.ca/lawevents/6/>

“Lessons for the Treaty Process from International Environmental Law” *Debates on the Adoption of a Treaty on Business and Human Rights*, held at the Autonoma de Madrid University in Madrid, Spain June 26, 2015 (participation by Skype) (invited).

“Business and Human Rights in Emerging Economies,” *Teaching Business and Human Rights Workshop*, Columbia University Law School, Human Rights Institute, New York, May 18-19, 2015.

“Transnational Corporations and Extractive Industries: International Environmental Law, Sustainable Development, and the North-South Divide,” *First Annual Sustainability Conference of American Legal Educators*, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Arizona State University – Tempe Campus, May 8, 2015.

Resilience: From Ecology to Law (workshop participant) Faculty of Law, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, April 20, 2015 (invited).

“Indigenous Rights, Environmental Rights, and Canadian Extractive Sector Corporate Responsibilities” Environment Seminar Series, Faculty of Environment, University of Waterloo, Ontario, March 20, 2015 (invited).

(with Stephen Pitel) “The Role of Lawyers under the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights,” *Annual Ethics Forum*, Canadian Bar Association, Federation of Law Societies of Canada, March 6, 2015.

“Treaties and the Emancipatory Potential of International Law,” *Treaty Rights: Re-imagining Treaties Conference*, University of Victoria, January 17-18, 2015 (invited).

2014:

“The Governance Gap: Extractive Industries, Human Rights and the Home State Advantage” **and** “Environmental Assessment, Territory and Sovereignty,” *Combustion; Energy, Resources and Environment Igniting International Law*, 43rd Annual Conference, Canadian Council on International Law, Ottawa November 13-15, 2014.

(with Stephen Pitel) “The Role of Lawyers under the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights,” Ontario Bar Association Professional Development, 2nd *Annual Professionalism Issues for Business Lawyers*, Toronto, October 21, 2014.

(with Stephen Pitel) “The Role of Lawyers under the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights,” Canadian Association of Legal Ethics Conference, Faculty of Law, Western University, October 24-25, 2014.

“Business, Human Rights, and Legal Education: Implications for the Treaty Debate” Faculty Talk, Drexel University Thomas R Kline School of Law, Philadelphia, PA, October 16, 2014 (invited).

“International Corporate Social Responsibility Standards,” 3rd UNITAR-Yale Conference on Environmental Governance and Democracy, *Human Rights, Environmental Sustainability, Post-2-15 Development, and the Future Climate Regime*, 5-7 September 2014, New Haven, USA.

(with Stephen Pitel) “The Role of Lawyers under the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights,” *International Legal Ethics Conference VI*, City University London, United Kingdom, July 10-12, 2014.

“The Role of Non-State Actors in International Law-making” **and** “Environmental Assessment, Territory and Sovereignty,” *Law’s Encounters: Co-existing and Contradictory Norms and Systems*, Canadian Law and Society Association Annual Conference, Faculty of Law, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba, June 6-8, 2014.

“Teaching International Law for Access to Justice: Sites for Access to Justice in the Curriculum,” *Open Doors: Teaching and Learning Law for Justice*, Canadian Association of Law Teachers, Faculty of Law, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba, June 7-8, 2014.

“Implementing the UN Guiding Principles for Business and Human Rights: A Strategy for Legal Education,” *Where to from here? A Canadian Strategy for the UN Principles on Business and Human Rights*, Institute for the Study of Corporate Social Responsibility, Ryerson University, Toronto, May 8, 2014.

“Corporate Responsibility and Human Rights” Roundtable, International Law Association, 76th Biennial Conference and American Society of International Law, 108th Annual Meeting, joint conference, *The Effectiveness of International Law*, Washington DC, April 7-12, 2014 (invited).

“Transnational, Transboundary or Extraterritorial: Law, Language and Power”, presidential panel “Law, Obligation and Relationships Across Borders,” *Spaces and Places: Geopolitics in an Era of Globalization*, International Studies Association, 55th Annual Conference, Toronto, March 26-29, 2014 (invited).

“Energy Law and Environmental Justice in the Anthropocene” *Journal of Energy, Climate and Environment Spring Symposium*, Washington and Lee University School of Law, Lexington, Virginia, March 20-21, 2014 (invited).

“Canadian Arctic Policy, International Law and the Environment,” Arctic and Environment Panel, *Canadian Political Science Students’ Association National Conference: Beyond Our Borders, Current Affairs in International Politics*, Western University, London, Ontario, January 23, 2014 (invited).

“Global CSR and the Environment,” *Business, Human Rights and Law in Transnational Context*, Institute for the Study of Corporate Social Responsibility, Ryerson University, Toronto, January 16-17, 2014.

“Property Theory, Environment and the International,” Roundtable, Canadian Law and Society Association, Midwinter Meeting, Centre of Criminology and Social Legal Studies, University of Toronto, January 11, 2014.

2013:

(with Stephen Pitel) “The Role of Lawyers Under the UN Guiding Principles of Business and Human Rights,” Business & Human Rights panel, *Contemporary Actors and their Actions: A New Look at the Formation of International Law*, 42nd Annual Conference of the Canadian Council on International Law, Ottawa, November 14-16, 2013.

“International Corporate Responsibility” *International Corporate Social Responsibility: The Implications of Choc vs Hudbay Minerals Inc.*, Canadian Centre for International Justice CPD, hosted by Gowlings, Toronto, November 1, 2013 (invited).

“Treaty Remedies: International Law, Non-State Actors and Corporate Accountability”, Historic Treaties and Appropriate Legal Remedies for Treaty Implementation, *Peace, Friendship and Respect: A Critical Examination of the Honour of the Crown on the 250th Anniversary of the Royal Proclamation and the Treaty of Niagara*, 25th Annual Indigenous Bar Association Fall Conference, Chippewas of Rama First Nation, Ontario, October 7-9, 2013 (invited).

“Transnational Judicial and Non-Judicial Remedies for Corporate Human Rights Harms: Challenges of and for Law” *Justice Beyond the State: Transnationalism and Law Conference*, Faculty of Law, University of Windsor, September 20-21, 2013 (invited).

“The Spatial and Temporal Dimensions of Sovereignty, Extraterritoriality and Human Rights” *Law on the Edge, Joint Canadian and Australia & New Zealand Law and Society Associations Conference*, UBC Faculty of Law, Vancouver BC, July 1-4, 2013.

(with Anna Dolidze) “ITLOS Case No. 17 and the Evolving Principles for Corporate Responsibility under International Law: Lessons Learned from Canada and Global Mining” *Non-State Actors Responsibilities: Empirical Findings and Theoretical Considerations, Conference of the Committee on Non-State Actors and International Law, International Law Association*, Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Vancouver, BC, June 27-29, 2013.

“Teaching Extraterritoriality”, *Teaching Business and Human Rights Workshop*, Columbia University Law School, Human Rights Institute, New York, May 30-31. 2013.

“Shared Energy Resources and Strategies in GLSLR: Lessons from Sustainable Development” *New Realities in Canada-US Relations*, Canada-United States Law Institute Annual Conference, Cleveland, Ohio, April 11-12, 2013 (invited).

“The 2011 UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights: Implications for Business Lawyers”, *Guest Lecture, Law Week, Faculty of Law, University of New Brunswick*, Fredericton, New Brunswick, February 22, 2013 (invited).

“Impact of International Extractive Industries: The Challenge of Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC)” *The International Impact of Extractive Industries*, Loyola University Chicago, School of Law, February 8, 2013 (invited)

2012:

“Crisis and Resilience and the International Law of Sustainable Development”, *SOS International Law: International Law in Times of Crisis and Emergency*, 41st Annual Conference of the Canadian Council on International Law, Ottawa, November 8-10, 2012 (invited).

“Extractive Industries, Environmental Justice and Human Rights: Jurisdictional Implications for International Law” *Environmental Justice and Human Rights: Investigating the Tensions, Exploring the Possibilities*, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, November 8-10, 2012.

“Extractive Industries, Environmental Justice and Human Rights: Jurisdictional Implications for International Law” *Fourth Biennial Ingram Colloquium on International Law and Development*, as part of the *Australian and New Zealand Society of International Law and the Asian Society of International Law, Joint Conference on International Law and Justice*, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia, October 25-26, 2012.

“Regulation of Canadian companies operating internationally” *42nd Annual Workshop on Consumer and Commercial Law*, Dalhousie University, Schulich School of Law, Halifax, NS, October 12-13, 2012 (invited).

“Home States and Environmental Human Rights Harms: An Example of Transnational Private Regulatory Governance?” *Fifth Comparative Research in Law & Political Economy Workshop: Transnational Private Regulatory Governance: Regimes, Dialogue, Constitutionalization*, Osgoode Hall Law School, Toronto, March 1-2, 2012 (invited).

“Corporate Social Responsibility and Legal Liability: A New Age”, *19th Annual Canadian International Law Students’ Conference*, Toronto, January 28, 2012 (invited).

2011:

“Understanding the Ruggie Process: Lessons for International Law”, *Canadian Council on International Law Annual Conference, Culture and Innovation in International Law*, Ottawa, Ontario, November 3-5, 2011, online: <http://www.ccil-ccdi.ca/ccil-conference-papers/2011-speakers/>

“International Law, Capitalism and the Commons: Power, Resistance and Local Ecological Space”, *TWAIL, Capitalism and the Common Good Conference*, University of Oregon School of Law, 20-22 October, 2011.

“Crossing the Boundaries of International Law: International Legal Theory and Earth System Governance”, *Colorado Conference on Earth System Governance: Crossing Boundaries and Building Bridges*, University of Colorado, Fort Collins, Colorado, 17-20 May, 2011.

“Environment, Human Rights, and (Extra)-territorial Regulation”, *International Law and Environmental Law Joint Speaker Series*, Faculty of Law, University of Ottawa, February 3, 2011. (invited)

2010:

“Redressing Resource Company Foreign Environmental Harm: Extraterritorial Environmental Liability Reform Proposals”, *International Bar Association Conference*, Vancouver, B.C., October 6, 2010. (invited)

“Ecological Integrity and Third World Approaches to International Law”, *Ecological Integrity and Globalization: Science, Human Behaviour, Public Policy and the Law: Global Ecological Integrity Group Conference*, Liu Institute for Global Issues, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C., June 27-July 2, 2010.

“International Law in Transformation: Lessons from Business and Human Rights”, *Transformation: Law as (Re)Discovery: Canadian Association of Law Teachers Conference*, Faculty of Law, University of Victoria, Victoria, B.C., June 21-22, 2010.

“The *Ruggie Framework* for Business and Human Rights: Extraterritoriality and the Theory Behind the Framework”, *Business and Human Rights Symposium: Canadian Business Ethics Research Network*, York University, Toronto, O.N., February 25-28, 2010.

2009:

“State Sovereignty, International Law and Ecological Integrity: Business and Human Rights”, *State Sovereignty, International Law and Ecological Integrity: Global Ecological Integrity Group Conference*, University of Firenze, Florence Italy, June 26-30, 2009.

“A Transnational Dimension to Multilevel Sustainability Governance”, *Symposium on Sustainability Governance, organized by the Global Ecological Integrity Group and the Law Department of the European University Institute*, European University Institute, Firenze, Italy, June 25, 2009.

“Corporate Atrocities and the Home State”, *Collective Punishment Conference*, Windermere Manor, University of Western Ontario, April 17-19, 2009.

“Corporate Social Responsibility: An Oxymoron?” *Law Union of Ontario, Annual Conference 2009*, University of Toronto, February 28, 2009. (invited)

2008:

“Conceptualizing the Home State Duty to Protect Human Rights”, *Corporate Social Responsibility, Business Responsibilities for Human Rights, and International Law: Where do we go after the final report of the SRSG on Human Rights and Business?* University of Copenhagen and Copenhagen Business School, 6-7 November, 2008.

Presentation at Informal Discussion Evening, “Extraterritorial Responsibility for Human Rights Violations by Transnational Actors”, Association of Transnational Law Schools (ATLAS) Agora, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto, July 2008. (invited)

“Home State Responsibility and Local Communities: The Case of Global Mining”, *Symposium: Corporate Social Responsibility in the Extractive Industries*, Yale Law School, March 2008.

“Home State Obligations to Protect Human Rights: Canada and Global Mining”, *Corporate Social Responsibility and Human Rights: Annual International and Human Rights Law Conference*, Faculty of Law, University of Victoria, March 2008. (invited)

2007:

“The State Duty to Protect Human Rights”, *The Role of States in Regulating and Adjudicating the Activities of Corporations with respect to Human Rights, Experts Meeting with the Special Representative to the UN Secretary-General on Business and Human Rights*, Copenhagen, Denmark, November 2007. (invited)

“Human Rights and Canadian Corporations Abroad”, *Canadian International Law Students’ Conference*, Toronto, February 2007. (invited)

2006:

“The Boundaries of Home State Jurisdiction Over Multinational Corporate Activities”, *Expanding the Polis: Law’s Engagement and Location*, Canadian Association of Law Teachers Conference, Toronto, May 2006.

“Home State Obligations for the Environmental and Human Rights Violations of Multinational Corporations”, *Scholars and Advocates: Driving the Changing Face(s) of the Law*, Osgoode Hall Law School, GLSA Conference, Toronto, May 2006.

“Fighting Canadian Corporations and Environmental Crime”, *Law Union of Ontario Annual Conference*, Toronto, March 2006. (invited)

“Mining Our Business: Human Rights, Sustainability and Canadian Extractive Corporations in the Global South”, Consortium of the Global South, York University, Toronto, January 2006. (invited)

2001-2005:

“Exploding the Myths: Why Governments are Reluctant to Regulate”, Keynote Address, *Regulating Canadian Mining Companies Operating Internationally*, MiningWatch Canada Conference, October 2005. (invited)

“Ordering Law: Customization and Private Orders”, Roundtable Discussant, *New World Legal Orders: New Approaches Meet New Worlds of Law*, Centre for Public Law & Public Policy, Osgoode Hall Law School & Faculty of Law, University of Toronto Conference, Toronto, April 2004.

“Sovereignty, Environmental Assessment, and the Financing of Transnational Corporate Activities”, *Competing Sovereignties: Institutions and Identities*, Osgoode Hall Law School, GLSA Conference, Toronto, May 2002.

“Transnational Class Actions and South-North Tort Litigation”, Canadian Bar Association Third Annual International Law Conference, Ottawa, May 2002. (invited)

“Corporations and International Poverty: Environmental Assessment and Export Development Canada”, *Poverty’s Challenges, Law’s Responses*, Public Interest Law Symposium, Toronto, February 2002. (invited)

“Examining Responsibility: Perspectives on Business and Human Rights”, *Challenging Our Understanding Human Rights Symposium (CHORUS)*, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto, March 2001. (invited)

8. OTHER SCHOLARLY AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

a. Multi-stakeholder Expert Consultations

- Participant, Meeting with members of the United Nations Working Group on Business and Human Rights, Offices of Lenczner Slaght LLP, May 26, 2017 (invited)
- Speaker and Participant, “Implementing the Paris Agreement: The Relevance of Human Rights to Climate Action” CIGI International Law Research Program, Toronto (February 29, 2016) (invited).
- Speaker and Participant, “Emerging International, Transnational, and Domestic Law Issues in the Relationship between Extractive Industries and Indigenous Peoples” CIGI International Law Research Program, Waterloo (June 25, 2015) (invited).
- Speaker and Participant, “Emerging International and Transnational Law Issues Relating to the Global Value Chain and Corporate Social Responsibility” CIGI International Law Research Program, Toronto (May 28, 2015) (invited).
- Speaker and Participant, “International Environmental Law Consultation Workshop: Issues in International and Transnational Law Related to Climate Change”, CIGI International Law Research Program, Toronto (February 18, 2015). (invited)
- Chair and Co-organizer, “Principles in Practice – recent developments in law and legal practice in the area of business and human rights,” Side Event, United Nations 3rd Annual Forum on Business and Human Rights, Geneva (December 1-3, 2014).
- Speaker and Participant, International Law Research Program Consultation Workshop, *Linking Knowledge, Practice and Policy*, Centre for International Governance and Innovation (CIGI), Waterloo (June 3-4, 2014). (invited)
- Participant, Multi-stakeholder consultation, Canadian proposals for extractive industry disclosure of payments to foreign governments, International Human Rights Program, University of Toronto Law School, November 10, 2011. (invited)

- Participant, Multi-stakeholder consultation, “Harmonizing Canada-U.S. Disclosure Requirements in the Extractive Industries” Munk Centre for International Studies, University of Toronto, Toronto, January 18, 2011. (invited)
- Participant, “Identifying and Exploring the Key Legal Issues Associated with the Office of the Extractive Sector Corporate Social Responsibility Counsellor”, Institute for the Study of Corporate Social Responsibility (Toronto, May 9, 2010) (invited).
- Co-Convenor of Corporate Law Tools international multi-stakeholder consultation for Professor John Ruggie, Special Representative to the UN Secretary-General on Business and Human Rights, (Toronto, November 2009).
- Participant in New York meeting of representatives from corporate law firms participating in the Corporate Law Tools Project, with Professor John Ruggie, Special Representative to the UN Secretary-General on Business and Human Rights, (New York, New York, June 2009).
- Participant in experts meeting with the Special Representative to the UN Secretary-General on Business and Human Rights, *The Role of States in Regulating and Adjudicating the Activities of Corporations with respect to Human Rights*, Copenhagen, Denmark, November 2007. (invited)
- Participant in multi-disciplinary academic experts meeting on the attribution of obligations to corporations under international law, with Professor John Ruggie, Special Representative to the UN Secretary-General on Business and Human Rights, sponsored by the Ethical Globalization Initiative and the NYU Center for Human Rights and Global Justice, November 2006. (invited)

b. Media and Related Activities:

- Opinion, “Put Climate at the Heart of Business and Human Rights Work: *What is the relationship between business, human rights, and climate change*” (January 4, 2017) International Law Research Program, CIGI: <https://www.cigionline.org/articles/put-climate-heart-business-and-human-rights-work>
- Citation of Corporate Social Responsibility course, in the online tool, Teaching Business and Human Rights Handbook, chapter ‘OECD National Contact Point Complaints’ written by Elizabeth Umlas: http://tbhrforum.org/teaching-notes/oecd-ncp-complaints/#_ftn26
- Law Society of Upper Canada Rule of Law Event – Climate Justice: The Way Forward Post Paris Agreement, Interview with Mary Robinson, former President of Ireland, former United Nations High Commission for Human Rights (June 20, 2016)
 - “The impact of climate change on human rights”, *Reflections on the Law Society’s Rule of Law Event*, Law Society Gazette (07/26/2016)

<http://www.lawsocietygazette.ca/news/the-impact-of-climate-change-on-human-rights/>

- Suzanne Daley, “Guatemalan Women’s Claims Put Focus on Canadian Firm’s Conduct Abroad” *New York Times* (April 2, 2016) <http://www.nytimes.com/2016/04/03/world/americas/guatemalan-womens-claims-put-focus-on-canadian-firms-conduct-abroad.html?ref=world> (interviewed)
- Andrew Seale, “Where’s Canada’s Volkswagen backlash?” *Yahoo Insight* (January 26, 2016) <https://ca.finance.yahoo.com/blogs/insight/where-s-the-volkswagen-backlash-195545118.html> (interviewed)
- (with Basil Ugochukwu), Blog Post, CIGI Rule of Law, “Business, Human Rights, and Climate Justice” (November 20, 2015) <https://www.cigionline.org/blogs/global-rule-of-law/business-human-rights-and-climate-justice>
- Blog Post, UN FORUM SERIES – “Measuring Progress: Lawyers and Climate Change” *London School of Economics (LSE)* (November 4, 2015) <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/businesshumanrights/2015/11/04/un-forum-series-measuring-progress-lawyers-and-climate-change/> (solicited)
- Blog Post, “Chevron at the Supreme Court of Canada: The Saga Continues” *Law at the End of the Day* (September 11, 2015): <http://lcbackerblog.blogspot.ca/2015/09/sara-seck-on-chevron-at-supreme-court.html>
- Blog Post, “[Emerging Market Multinational Home States, Extractive Industries, and the Inside-Outside Problem](#)” *Law at the End of the Day* (July 2, 2015).
- Blog Post, “[Business & Human Rights Treaty Debate: Lessons from the International Law Commission](#)” *Business and Human Rights Resource Centre* (July 1, 2015).
- Mica Rosenberg, “Chevron’s US win in Ecuador case looms over cases elsewhere” (March 7, 2014), *Reuters*: <http://mobile.reuters.com/article/idUSBREA261P820140307?irpc=932> (interviewed)
- Blog Post, “Kiobel and the E-word: Reflections on Transnational Environmental Responsibility in an Interconnected World” (July 5, 2013), posted on *Law at the End of the Day*: <http://lcbackerblog.blogspot.ca/2013/07/sara-seck-on-kiobel-and-e-word.html>
- Penny Collenette, “After *Hudbay* ruling, Canadian firms on notice over human rights”, *Globe & Mail*, (July 24, 2013) (cited in): <http://www.theglobeandmail.com/globe-debate/after-hudbay-ruling-canadian-firms-on-notice-over-human-rights/article13386168/> (quoted)

- Jim Middlemiss, “The Long Arm of the Lawsuit” in *Listed Magazine* (April 13, 2013) (interviewed): <http://listedmag.com/2013/04/the-long-arm-of-the-lawsuit/> (interviewed)
- Featured, Law at the End of the Day, Blog by Larry Catá Backer, “Sara Seck on the Possibilities and Limits of Extraterritoriality in a Corporate Social Responsibility and Human Rights Context” (September 6, 2012): <http://lbackerblog.blogspot.ca/2012/09/sara-seck-on-possibilities-and-limits.html>
- Marzena Czarnecka, “CSR Becomes Entrenched” in *Lexpert* (February 2011) (interviewed).
- Matthew Hill, “Guatemalan widow’s lawsuit against HudBay could be precedent setting” in *Mining Weekly* (February 2011) (interviewed).
- Panelist, “Commitments Without Borders: A Debate on Bill C-300: Setting Guidelines for Corporate Accountability for Mining, Oil and Gas Corporations Abroad”, Canadian International Council & McMillan LLP, Toronto, October 15, 2009. (invited)

c. Other (Miscellaneous)

- Co-Director (with Neil Craik), CIGI- ILRP/BSIA International Law Summer Institute, (June 2015, June 2016) (program for Canadian-based non-law global governance students)
- Member, Advisory Group, Canadian Network on Corporate Accountability (2015 – present)
- Member, Governance Committee, Teaching Business and Human Rights Forum, Columbia University (New York) (2014 – present)
- Member of the Board, Canadian Council of International Law (CCIL) (2014 – present)
 - Member, CCIL Academic Outreach Committee
 - Lead Organizer, Sixth Four Societies Conference, “International Law, Innovation, and the Environment” July 21-22, 2016, hosted by CCIL and the International Law Research Program of the Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI), Waterloo, Ontario (July 21-22, 2016)
- Member of the Board, International Law Association, Canadian branch (2014-present)
 - ILA Canada, Program Coordinator (2014-2015)
- Member, Study Group on Business and Human Rights, International Law Association (2013-present)
- Member, Study Group on Due Diligence in International Law, International Law Association (2013-2016)

- Invitation to speak at international conference on extractive industries and human rights, University of Frankfurt and the University of Erlangen's newly established Centre for Human Rights Erlangen-Nürnberg (CHREN), part of the research project "Human Rights as Standards of Transnational Economic Law, July 2016 (declined)
- Invitation to participate in panel discussion on human rights and environment at Gonzaga Law School, Spokane, Washington, April 2015 (declined)
- Invitation to participate as conference speaker at Peace of Utrecht Conference on Human Rights and Climate Change, October 2013 (declined)
- Member, Program Committee, *106th Annual Meeting of the American Society of International Law: Confronting Complexity* (March 28-31, 2012, Washington, DC).
- Participant, Scholarly meeting to review draft book chapters by Penelope Simons & Audrey Macklin, *The Governance Gap*, University of Toronto, January 2012