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ENVIRONMENTAL EXPERTISE:

Climate change law and policy: Net zero, carbon offsets, carbon border adjustments, level 1, 2, 3 emissions; Paris Agreement, Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), social cost of carbon (SCC), shadow carbon taxation, loss and damage (corporate and national), carbon removal.

Environmental: NEPA, Superfund, lead contamination, other toxic substances

Corporate: Environmental and Social Governance (ESG) – corporate adjustments and visibility strategies, Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), greenwashing avoidance, circular economy.

Broader social/global: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) in hiring and promotion, environmental justice (EJ), Universal Basic Incomes from a national and organizational perspective (corporate contributions).

EXPERIENCE

EinStrong Foundation

Executive Director, In-house Counsel

Pasadena, CA

12/2021 - present

- *Corporate legal work:*
 - Ensure compliance with national, international and foreign monetary transfer law, anti-money laundering law, financial tokenization law, tax law, and suspicious activity reporting requirements
 - Evaluate potential hostile attacks on Foundation based on U.S. common and regulatory law
- *Management:* Oversee virtual employees (U.S, Turkey, and China)
- *Technology innovation:* lead proprietary, app-based international climate philanthropy strategy for direct donations to individuals (multimillion-dollar investment)
- *Evaluate success:* Design secondary impact evaluation of app-based, voluntary income or wealth transfer from the Global North to the Global South (measuring behavioral change, evaluating behavioral plasticity, identifying spending patterns, and identifying future opportunities for app)
- *Policy work:*
 - Monitor and adjust strategy to legislative and regulatory developments within climate change and sustainability by state and national governments
 - Investigate environmental justice concerns and select contributions to their alleviation
 - Investigate and evaluate potential legal, political (but nonpartisan), and policy-based avenues for halting climate change, recommend most viable and effective ones
 - Extensive network to key organizations and government entities in LA area)
- *Social media:* Developed and oversaw effective national social media campaign

Los Angeles County, Riverside County Superior Courts

Temporary judge (traffic, small claims)

Los Angeles & Riverside, CA

6/2019 - present

- Maintain control of courtroom, many people with conflicting interests
- Work under great time pressure while maintaining high level of accuracy
- Apply law instantaneously and orally in front of critical audience
- Explain reasoning and holdings, obtain acceptance of outcome even by losing parties
- Balance interests of society, legal policy interests, law enforcement and litigants/defendants
- Train new temporary judges
- Conducted more than 200 criminal trials and hundreds of arraignments

University of South Dakota School of Law

Vermillion, SD & Los Angeles, CA

Professor of Law (tenured)

2015 – 2021

- Taught Contracts, Sales, Public Int'l Law, Int'l Business Transactions

Western State College of Law

Fullerton, CA

Assistant and Associate Professor of law

2011-2015

- Taught Contracts I & II, Sales, and Administrative Law

Whittier Law School

Costa Mesa, CA

Visiting Assistant Professor of Law

2010-2011

- Taught Civil Procedure, Contracts Law to 200 students per semester
- *Legal expertise:*
 - Expert in climate change and broader sustainability/environmental issues and regulations at the local, national, and global levels (e.g. net zero, circular economy, Paris Agreement, Scope 1-3 emissions)
 - Strong knowledge of issues and regulations surrounding renewable energy and climate change at the local, national, and supranational scales
 - Strong knowledge of business law and how to improve business utilizing new environmental awareness
- *Time and people management:*
 - Effective management skills (1,700+ students over 10+ years, four assistants at a time); ability to coach large amount of diverse people to work towards and reach the same goal
 - Present highly complex law, technology, and scientific issues under time pressure
 - Able to manage multiple projects and processes simultaneously in a fast-paced environment with stakeholders from numerous socio-economic, political, ethnic, racial, religious and age backgrounds
- *Networking and people skills:*
 - Ability to develop and cultivate relationships with key associations, agencies, researchers, and government leaders across the political and ideological spectrum
- *Methods:* Qualitative and quantitative researcher

Select results:

- Fulbright Scholar, Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies, Potsdam, Germany, Fall 2016 (international climate change law and policy)
- Wrote and published more than 500,000 words (19 articles) in major national law journals
- More than 100 citations by judges, attorneys, researchers, and government representatives
- 2020 Winner of the Best Article of the Year, Environmental Law Reporter
- SSRN placement: Top 10% of researchers in all scientific fields globally (2017-present)
- Created and hosted *The Global Energy and Environmental Law Podcast* (29 episodes, 34,000 listeners)
- Editor-in-chief, the ContractsProf Blog (2015-2020), blogs: 250 gaining 300 hits per day,

The late Hon. Procter Hug, Jr.;

United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Reno, NV & San Francisco, CA

Law Clerk

2009-2010

- Conducted research for, wrote bench memoranda recommending legal outcome in civil, criminal cases
- Drafted judicial opinions and memoranda dispositions, recommended outcomes
- Reviewed bench memoranda written by non-chamber clerks, wrote supplemental memoranda to provide judge with legal recommendations
- Reviewed opinions and supplemental memoranda written by in-chamber clerks to provide legal and linguistic feedback before circulation to panel judges

The late Hon. Francis J. D'Eramo, Superior Court of the U.S. Virgin Islands St. Croix, USVI

Law Clerk 2008-2009

- Researched and wrote numerous orders and published opinions in criminal and civil cases
- Helped judge close higher-than-average number of cases and achieve shorter case lengths
- Helped maintain docket of 300 active criminal cases, all *pro se* cases, and half of the civil docket

Law school (see also below) 2005-2008

WordFlows, LLC **Huntington Beach, CA**

Owner, CEO

Localization and Interpretation Specialist 1997-2005

- Started and grew company, managed up to ten virtual associates
- Clients included large national and int'l law firms, government agencies and Hollywood movie studios
- Developed high degree of business acumen and development
- Visualized technological development ahead of time to cull advantages ahead of others

The Aarhus School of Business (now Aarhus University) **Aarhus, Denmark**

Assistant Professor of English 1992-1997

- Revamped curriculum, taught English for Science and Technology at the Master's Degree-level

KPMG **Aarhus, Denmark**

International Communication Specialist 1991-1992

- Performed quality control of work performed by two translators, translated financial documentation to and from English and Danish.

EDUCATION

University of South Dakota **Vermillion, SD**

Doctor of Philosophy, Political Science 2023

- Dissertation: Voter Influencing in State Trial Court Judicial Elections

University of Oregon School of Law **Eugene, OR**

Juris Doctor (Order of the Coif) 2008

- Class rank: 1/181, GPA: 4.01/4.00
- Certificate in Environmental and Natural Resources Law

Aarhus University (a global top 100 research university) **Aarhus, Denmark**

Master's Degree, Translation & International Business Communications 1991

Bachelor's Degree, English and German Business Communication 1988

VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Temporary judge, Superior Court of California, LA and Riverside Counties 2020-present

Standing Rock Tribe 2016-2017

Pro bono counsel

- Assisted tribe with legal arguments against the Dakota Access Pipeline

Climate Science Legal Defense Fund 2017-2021

Columbia Law School, Campus Representative

- Presented and rendered advice to researchers on the Freedom of Information Act, First Amendment, and other legal rights and obligations countering complex industry attacks in relation to climate change research and information distribution
- Results: legal challenges of researchers avoided successfully

<p><u>DIVERSITY PROFILE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First-generation immigrant • Achieved legal results in non-native tongue • First and only in blue-collar family to any education past the seventh grade • Mid-life career changer • Took care of terminally ill father in Denmark while in law school in Oregon, was sole caregiver for elderly mother in Denmark including during her passing during judicial election campaign • Recent cancer survivor • Speaks three languages fluently • Dual citizen (US/DK) 	<p><u>SOFT SKILLS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic thought-leader • Able to identify and solve/cut through crucial issues among much irrelevant noise • Highly intrinsically motivated and energetic • Embrace rapid change and complex challenges • Open-minded creative thinker • Pragmatic • Excellent demeanor and interpersonal skills • Able to create networks among high-visibility law-, policy- and business-leaders, researchers, and NGOs • Highly organized, able to plan and execute short- and long-term goals
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REFERENCES

<p>The Hon. Tim Saito Superior Court of California Glendale Courthouse 600 E. Broadway Glendale, CA tsaito@lacourt.org 818 265 6400</p>	<p>The Hon. Christopher Harmon Superior Court of California Corona Courthouse 505 S Buena Vista Ave #201 Corona, CA 92882 Christopher.harmon@riverside.courts.ca.gov 951 268 3503</p>
<p>The Hon. Gregory Olson Superior Court of California, Indio Courthouse 46-200 Oasis St. Indio, CA 92201 laura.dorfman@riverside.courts.ca.gov 760 393 2433</p>	<p>Professor of Law Dylan Malagrino Charleston School of Law 81 Mary St. Charleston, SC 29403 proplawprof@gmail.com 858 405 3938</p>
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PUBLICATIONS

Law review articles:

- *A Future for Carbon Taxation?*, 46(5) Fordham International Law Journal 659 (2023)
- *Taxing Excess Oil and Gas Profits for Climate Change Loss and Damage*, 53(2) Environmental Law Reporter 10104 (2023)
- *Carbon Taxation for Climate Change Mitigation*, XI(1) Louisiana Law Review 141 (2022)
- *Airline Bailouts and Climate Change Re-Regulation*, 47 N. KY. L. REV. 95 (2020)
- *Electric Utility Wildfire Liability Reform in California*, 49(11) Env't L. Rep. 11003 (Nov. 2019) (Winner, Best Article of the Year)
- *Post-Jesner Climate Change Litigation Under the Alien Tort Statute*, 44 COLUM. J. ENV'T L. 395 (2019)
- *Trophy Hunting – A Relic of the Past*, 42 J. ENV'T L. & LITIG. 525 (2018)
- *See You in Court: Around the World in Eight Climate Change Lawsuits*, 42 WM. & MARY ENV'T L. & POL'Y REV. 525 (2018)
- *Rethinking Force Majeure in Public International Law*, 37 PACE L. REV. 455 (2017)
- *An “Act of God”? Rethinking Contractual Impracticability in an Era of Anthropogenic Climate Change*, 67 HASTINGS L.J. 1551 (2016)
- *Trophy Hunting Contracts—Unenforceable for Reasons of Public Policy*, 41 COLUM. J. ENV'T L. 395 (2016)
- *Narrowed Constellations in a Supranational Climate Change Regime Complex: The “Magic Number” Is Three*, 37 FORDHAM INT'L L.J. 373 (2014)
- *Rethinking Fuerza Mayor in a World of Anthropogenic Climate Change*, 42 DERECHO & SOCIEDAD 45 (2014)
- *Localizing Climate Change Action*, 14 MINN. J.L. SCI. & TECH. 603 (2013)
- *An Unstoppable Tide: Creating Environmental and Human Rights Law from the Bottom Up*, 15 OR. REV. INT'L L. 63 (2013)
- *Ten Years of the Aarhus Convention: How Procedural Democracy Is Paving the Way for Substantive Change in National and International Environmental Law*, 23 COLO. J. INT'L ENV'T L. & POL'Y 309 (2012)
- *Something Is Rotten in the State of Denmark: The Deprivation of Democratic Rights by Nation States Not Recognizing Dual Citizenship*, 20 J. TRANSNAT'L L. & POL'Y 41 (2010-11)
- *From Jumping Frogs to Graffiti-Painted Walls: Legal Issues Caused by Mistranslation in International Commercial Arbitration*, 7 RUTGERS CONFLICT RESOL. L.J. 1 (2010)
- *Using Dogs for Emotional Support of Testifying Victims of Crime*, 15 ANIMAL L. 171 (2009)

Misc. other articles:

- *Rethinking Carbon Pricing*, TRENDS, The American Bar Association, ____ (Spring 2023)
- *Bad and Getting Worse: Homelessness in Los Angeles*, DAILY JOURNAL (July 29, 2020), <https://www.dailyjournal.com/articles/358804-bad-and-getting-worse-homelessness-in-los-angeles>
- *The ‘CAREN’ We Need?*, DAILY JOURNAL (Aug. 19, 2020), https://www.dailyjournal.com/users/sign_in
- *The Real Hell of Manhood*, LINKEDIN (Aug. 11, 2020), <https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/real-hell-manhood-myanna-dellinger-j-d-m-sc-candidate-for-judge-1c/?trackingId=f2pWde0%2FThq106D4xgVEfg%3D%3D>
- *Climate Change Lawsuits Belong in State Court*, DAILY JOURNAL (May 28, 2020), https://www.dailyjournal.com/users/sign_in

- *Getting Away With Rape*, LINKEDIN (May 6, 2019), <https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/getting-away-rape-myanna-dellinger-j-d-m-sc-phd-candidate/?trackingId=shliU%2FEqRzK%2FATei5VmKQw%3D%3D>
- *Trophy Hunting Under the Precautionary Principle of Law*, ABA TIPS-SEER ANIMAL L. COMM. NEWSL., Winter/Spring 2019, at 21
- *Acts of God or Acts of Man? Rethinking Contractual Impracticability in Times of Climate Change*, NAT. RESOURCES & ENV'T, Winter 2016, at 31
- *That's Wild! The Ongoing International Trade in Endangered Species*, ORANGE COUNTY LAW., Dec. 2013
- *California as an Oil Boom State?*, ORANGE COUNTY LAW., May 2013, at 24
- *Public Participation: A Bottoms-Up Approach to Law-Making and Enforcement*, ORANGE COUNTY LAW., Feb. 2012, at 16
- *Winds of Change?: A Review of International Climate Change Litigation*, 10 OR. STATE BAR OUTLOOK, No. 2, 2009, at 9

Non-print media:

The “ContractsProf Blog”

Editor and Author

2013-2021

- Wrote several weekly blogs on national and international business law issues
- Total number of blogs written: Approximately 250
- Total daily hits: Approximately 300

Podcasts, 2014-present:

- Created The Global Energy and Environmental Law podcast, featured www.podbean.com (theglobalenergyandenvironmentallaw.podbean.com)
- Interview legal experts on issues of national and international energy and the environment
- Approximately 41,000 downloads
- Podcast episodes:
 - Gudny Nielsen, *Educating Girls in Africa Using Carbon Offsets* (August 29th, 2022)
 - Dr. Kristian Nielsen, *Climate Change Governance* (August 12, 2022)
 - Carolina Arlota, *The Amazon is Burning, is Paris Too?* (Oct. 4th, 2021)
 - Lisa Bloom on *Veganism* (March 6, 2021)
 - Sean Kammer and Myanna Dellinger, *The Keystone Pipeline System: An Exercise in Futility* (Feb. 8, 2021)
 - *Fossil Fuel Industry Gaslighting People of Color* (Dec. 30, 2020)
 - Benjamin Barton, *Rebooting Justice* (May 30, 2019)
 - Maya van Rossum, *The Green Amendment: Securing Our Right to a Healthy Environment* (Feb. 11, 2018)
 - Christine Harada, *Sustainability and Governance: Taking Steps for the Future* (Aug. 9, 2017)
 - David R. Montgomery, *Regenerative Agriculture* (June 11, 2017)
 - Stefan Schäfer, *The Logic and Controversies of Geoengineering* (May 17, 2017)
 - Armin Haas, *Super Smart Energy Grids* (Mar. 30, 2017)
 - Falk Schmidt, *Water Resources Management* (Feb. 21, 2017)
 - Craig Morris, *Transitioning Energy* (Jan. 25, 2017)
 - Matthias Honegger, *Climate Geoengineering* (Jan. 16, 2017)
 - Wil Burns, *Loss and Damage Under the Paris Agreement* (Aug. 16, 2016)
 - Rick Reibstein, *Environmental Compliance and Enforcement in the United States EPA Regime* (Jul. 20, 2016)
 - Greg Keating, *Volkswagen Emission “Dieselgate” Scandal, Part II* (June 27, 2016)

- Björn FASTERLING, *Volkswagen Emission “Dieselgate” Scandal, Part I* (June 19, 2016)
- Gabrielle Hecht, *Nuclear Power in France and Beyond, Part III* (Mar. 22, 2016)
- Jonathan Cobb, *Nuclear Power in France and Beyond, Part II* (Mar. 15, 2016)
- Mycle Schneider, *Nuclear Power in France and Beyond* (Feb. 22, 2016)
- Joseph W. Dellapenna, Joel A. Mintz, & Alex Wang, *Environmental Law in China: A Paper Tiger or Actual Change?* (Nov. 11, 2015)
- Sarah Barker, Julian Poulter, & Jay Youngdahl, *Asset Owners Disclosure Project* (Sept. 21, 2015)
- Phillip Sutherland, *The Oslo Principles on Global Climate Change Obligations, Part II* (June 14, 2015)
- Michael Gerard, *The Oslo Principles on Global Climate Change Obligations* (May 31, 2015)
- Ruth Nzioka, *Kenya, Environment, and Public Participation* (Apr. 27, 2015)
- Mary Wood, *Atmospheric Trust Litigation* (Feb. 20, 2015)
- Greg Magofña & Al Murray, *CO₂ Warning Labels on Gas Pumps in Berkeley, California* (Jan. 31, 2015)
- Wil Burns, *Geoengineering* (Jan. 15, 2015)

PRESENTATIONS

Conference and symposia presentations:

- Carbon Taxation, Annual Conference, ABILA, Columbia Law School, October 21, 2022
- Climate change, the California Wildfires, and What We Can Expect from the Biden Administration on Climate, Constitution Society, Northwestern School of Law, Jan. 14, 2021)
- COVID-19 and Climate Change: A Setback or Strengthening the Resolve to Move Forward?, International Law Weekend, American Branch of the International Law Association, October 23, 2020)
- Liability for Climate Change Loss and Damage: Ensuring Human Rights through the Courts, International Human Rights Conference, South Dakota State University (October 5, 2018)
- Priorities for the Trump Administration in International Environmental Law: Avoiding Counterproductive Climate Change Litigation, Midwest Regional Conference of the American Branch of the International Law Association, Denver University School of Law (Feb. 24, 2017)
- Trophy Hunting Contracts: Unenforceable for Reasons of Public Policy, Annual Conference, Environmental Law Association, Johannesburg, South Africa (Sept. 30, 2016)
- Disasters, the Environment, and the Law, Annual Conference, Law and Society Association, New Orleans (June 2-5, 2016)
- An “Act of God”?: Rethinking Contractual Impracticability in an Era of Anthropogenic Climate Change, Annual Conference, Law and Society Association, New Orleans (June 2-5, 2016)
- A Workshop on the Environment and Vulnerability, Vulnerability and the Human Condition Initiative, Emory University School of Law (Apr. 9, 2016)
- Public Policy Considerations in Contract Law (“Trophy Hunting” Contracts), 5th Annual Animal Law Review Symposium: Crossing Borders: Animals & Business, Lewis & Clark Law School (Mar. 11, 2016)
- Trent Water Crisis, University of South Dakota School of Law (Feb. 22, 2016)
- Public Policy Considerations in Contract Law (“Trophy Hunting” Contracts), 11th International Conference on Contracts, St. Mary’s University School of Law (Feb. 27, 2016)
- Professorial Professions: Creating a Student-Centered Contracts Classroom, 11th International Conference on Contracts, St. Mary’s University School of Law (Feb. 26, 2016)
- An “Act of God”?: Rethinking Force Majeure in U.S. and International Contracts Law in an Era of Anthropogenic Climate Change, SEALS Conference, Boca Raton, Fla. (Aug. 1, 2015)

- An “Act of God”?: Rethinking Force Majeure in U.S. and International Contracts Law in an Era of Anthropogenic Climate Change, Natural Resources Law Teachers, University of Utah, S.J. Quinney College of Law (May 27-29, 2015)
- Governing on the Edge: Cities, Climate Change, and the Polycentric-Global Governance Tension, 45th Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association: Rethinking Force Majeure in an Era of Climate Change, Miami, Florida (Apr. 9, 2015)
- An “Act of God”?: Rethinking Force Majeure in U.S. and International Contracts Law in an Era of Anthropogenic Climate Change, 10th Annual International Conference on Contracts, William S. Boyd School of Law, University of Nevada at Las Vegas (Feb. 27-28, 2015)
- Narrowed Constellations in a Supranational Climate Change Regime Complex: The “Magic Number” Is Four, American Society of International Law Mid-Year Meeting, New York University School of Law (Nov. 2013)
- The Evolving Role of the Public—Past, Present, and Future—in the Development of International Environmental Law, American Branch of the International Law Association, Fordham Law School (Oct. 2012)
- Invited to write and present: Creating Environmental and Human Rights Law from the Bottom Up, Symposium, New Directions in Human Rights and Environmental Law, The University of Oregon School of Law (Sept. 2012)

Media interviews:

- Keystone XL Pipeline, Dakota Midday, South Dakota Public Broadcasting (May 25, 2016)
- Trent Water Crisis, Dakota Midday, South Dakota Public Broadcasting (Feb. 22, 2016)
- Campaign for Dual Citizenship, National Danish Radio (September 2014)

Moderator/organizer:

- The Role of Law and Policies for Environment and Humanities at Risk, Annual Conference, Law and Society Association (June 2-5, 2016)
- Export/Import Legal Issues Impacting Global Trade, Legal Ports 2015 Conference, Los Angeles County Bar Association (Mar. 19, 2015)
- Los Angeles County Bar Association, International Law Section, organizer of half-day program on International Wine Law (Nov. 2014)
- American Society of International Law, International Economic Law Interest Group, panel on Globalization and Policy Space, 2014 Biennial Research Conference: Reassessing International Law and Development, University of Denver School of Law (Nov. 2014)