



## Biographies

### **Adelle Blackett McGill University (Faculty of Law)**

Adelle Blackett, Ad. E., F.R.S.C., is a Professor of Law and the Canada Research Chair (Tier 1) in Transnational Labour Law and Development at the Faculty of Law, McGill University. She holds a B.A. in History from Queen's University, civil law and common law degrees from McGill, and an LL.M. and a doctorate in law from Columbia University.

Widely published in English, French and Spanish in the emerging field of transnational labour law, in 2015, Professor Blackett co-edited a Research Handbook on Transnational Labour Law. She has guest edited or co-guest edited 6 special journal issues. Her book manuscript entitled *Everyday Transgressions: Domestic Workers' Transnational Challenge to International Labour Law* (Cornell University Press) was published in spring 2019, garnering the Canadian Law and Society Association's 2020 W. Wesley Pue honourable mention, and the Canadian Council on International Law's (CCIL) 2020 Scholarly Book Award.

In July 2021, she was appointed chair of Canada's new Employment Equity Act Review Task Force by the Minister of Labour.

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Adelle Blackett, Ad. E., M.S.R.C., est professeure de droit et titulaire de la Chaire de recherche du Canada (Niveau 1) en droit transnational du travail et développement à la Faculté de droit de l'Université McGill. Elle est détentricrice d'un BA en histoire de l'Université Queen's, d'un double diplôme en common law et droit civil de l'Université McGill et un LL.M. et un doctorat en droit de l'Université Columbia.

Elle est auteure de nombreuses publications en anglais, en français et en espagnol dans le domaine émergent du droit transnational du travail, et a codirigé un ouvrage intitulé *Research Handbook on Transnational Labour Law* en 2105. Elle a été rédactrice et co-rédactrice de six éditions de revues spécialisées. Sa récente monographie, intitulée *Everyday Transgressions : Domestic Workers' Transnational Challenge to International Labour Law* (Cornell University Press) et publiée en avril 2019, a été reçu le Prix du livre savant de 2020 du Conseil canadien de droit international (CCDI) et a obtenu une mention honorable du Prix W. Wesley Pue 2020 de l'Association canadienne droit et société.

En juillet 2021, elle a été nommée présidente du nouveau Groupe de travail sur la révision de la Loi sur l'équité en matière d'emploi du Canada par la ministre du Travail.

## **Alan Kessel**

### **Global Affairs Canada / Affaires mondiales Canada**

Alan H. Kessel assumed his responsibilities as Assistant Deputy Minister Legal Affairs and Legal Adviser to Global Affairs Canada in September 2017. Prior to this appointment, Mr. Kessel was Deputy High Commissioner in London between September 2013 and August 2017.

Mr. Kessel has held numerous positions in the Legal Affairs Branch of Global Affairs Canada, including those of Legal Adviser (2005-13), Deputy Legal Adviser and Director General of the Bureau of Legal Affairs (2004-05), and Director of the United Nations, Criminal and Treaty Law Division.

Mr. Kessel has spent a large part of his career negotiating bilateral and multilateral instruments ranging from extradition treaties to the establishment of international criminal justice systems to prosecute perpetrators of war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide. Mr. Kessel has represented Canadian interests before United Nations bodies and has presented government views at Canadian Parliamentary Committees. His legal work on Arctic matters has included delineation of Canada's continental shelf and sovereignty questions in the far north.

His postings abroad have included the Canadian Embassy in Sweden (1985-87), the Canadian Mission to the United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland (1990-94) and the Canadian High Commission in London, UK (2000-04 and 2013-17).

Mr. Kessel received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1976 from the University of Waterloo and his law degree in 1979 from Osgoode Hall Law School in Toronto. Mr. Kessel was called to the Bar of Ontario in 1981. After several years in private practice in Toronto, he joined the then Department of External Affairs and International Trade in 1983.

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Alan H. Kessel est entré en fonction à titre de sous-ministre adjoint des Affaires juridiques et de juriconsulte à Affaires mondiales Canada en septembre 2017. Avant d'être nommé à ce poste, M. Kessel a été haut-commissaire adjoint à Londres de septembre 2013 à août 2017.

M. Kessel a occupé de nombreux postes au sein du Secteur juridique d'Affaires mondiales Canada, notamment celui de juriconsulte (2005-2013), de juriconsulte adjoint et de directeur général de la Direction générale des affaires juridiques (2004-2005) et de directeur de la Direction du droit onusien, criminel et des traités.

M. Kessel a consacré une grande partie de sa carrière à la négociation d'instruments bilatéraux et multilatéraux, notamment des traités d'extradition, et a participé à l'établissement de systèmes internationaux de justice pénale visant à poursuivre en justice les auteurs de crimes de guerre, de crimes contre l'humanité et de génocides. M. Kessel a représenté les intérêts du Canada devant certains organes des Nations Unies et a agi à titre de porte-parole du gouvernement dans le cadre de comités parlementaires canadiens. Son travail juridique dans les questions relatives à l'Arctique a notamment porté sur la délimitation du plateau continental du Canada et sur les questions de souveraineté dans le Grand-Nord.

Au cours de ses années de service, M. Kessel a été affecté à l'ambassade du Canada en Suède (1985-1987), à la mission permanente du Canada auprès de l'Organisation des Nations Unies à Genève, en Suisse (1990-1994), et au haut-commissariat du Canada à Londres, au Royaume-Uni (2000-2004, 2013-2017).

M. Kessel a reçu son baccalauréat ès arts de l'Université de Waterloo en 1976 et son diplôme de droit de l'Osgoode Hall Law School de Toronto, en 1979. M. Kessel a été reçu au Barreau de l'Ontario en 1981. En 1983, après quelques années de pratique privée à Toronto, il a intégré ce qui était alors le ministère des Affaires externes et du Commerce international.

## **Alexandra Harrington**

### **Center for International Sustainable Development Law**

Dr. Alexandra R. Harrington is the founder and Executive Director of the Center for Global Governance and Emerging Law, Research Director of the Centre for International Sustainable Development Law, and Vice-Chair of the Board of Women in Ethics and Compliance Global. She has served as Fulbright Canada Special Foundation Fellow at the Balsillie School of International Affairs in Waterloo, Canada and was the 2018 – 2019 the Fulbright Canada Research Chair in Global Governance, based at the Balsillie School of International Affairs. She holds a doctoral degree in law from McGill University Faculty of Law.

Dr. Harrington is the author of the book *International Organizations and the Law* (2018) and *International Law and Global Governance: Treaty Regimes and Sustainable Development Goals Interpretation* (2021). She serves as the Director of Studies for the International Law Association Colombian branch, a member of the International Law Association Committee on the Role of International Law in Sustainable Natural Resource Management for Development, and a member of the Climate Law and Governance Initiative's Scientific Committee. She also guest lectures globally on topics related to international law, environmental law, global governance and sustainable development.

## **Amélie Landriault**

### **Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva**

Amélie is a policy analyst at Environment and Climate Change Canada and an International Law student at the Geneva Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies. She undertook her undergraduate studies in law and in international development at the University of Ottawa. During her studies, Amélie participated in several moot court competitions and interned at both the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda in Tanzania and the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia.

## **Andras Vamos-Goldman**

### **New York University Center for Global Affairs**

Andras Vamos-Goldman is a retired Canadian diplomat, international lawyer and social entrepreneur. He has worked on multilateral, environmental, maritime boundary and Law of the Sea issues, with his focus since the turn of the century being international justice. As the head of the political section and later legal adviser at the Canadian Mission to the United Nations in New York the last time Canada was on the Security Council, inter alia he worked on the creation of the Sierra Leone Special Court, becoming the founding Chair of its Management Committee. As a member of the Bureau of the International Criminal Court Preparatory Committee, he was instrumental in standing up the ICC's institutional framework. More recently, he helped to found, and then led as Executive Director Justice Rapid Response, a hybrid intergovernmental mechanism that is helping to professionalize the field of international investigations. For this work he was selected to be an Ashoka Fellow in 2014. He is a Visiting Senior fellow and has been an adjunct clinical professor of international law at NYU's Center for Global Affairs.

## **Andrew Luesley**

### **Dalhousie University Faculty of Law**

Andrew is an Assistant Professor and Purdy Crawford Business Law Fellow at Dalhousie University's Schulich School of Law. He is also a Ph.D. candidate at the University of British Columbia's Peter A. Allard School of Law. Andrew's research intersects commercial law and blockchain technology. His dissertation argues that common law and equitable remedies for fraud must be broadened and made more accessible in order to combat the mischief of "smart contracts" ( i.e. automatically executing transactions involving cryptocurrencies or blockchain assets) being used to commit fraud.

## **Anne Frenette**

### **Global Affairs Canada**

I have an LLB from the Université de Sherbrooke and am a member of the Quebec Bar. I also obtained an MALD from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. Throughout my career in the Canadian Public and Foreign Service, I have been involved directly and indirectly in public international law issues. While the first part of my career was devoted to international fisheries and oceans issues, I join the Treaty Law Division in 2010 and have since become a treaty practitioner.

## **Anouche Beaudouin**

### **Université Côte d'Azur**

Anouche Beaudouin est maîtresse de conférences en droit public à l'Université Côte d'Azur. Elle a exercé la fonction de juge assesseur à la Cour Nationale du Droit d'Asile (2010-2011). Ses domaines de recherche concernent principalement le territoire en droit international : tout en continuant de s'intéresser aux questions relatives à la détermination du territoire des Etats, elle élargit désormais son champ de recherche à l'émergence d'un « droit international des villes » et d'un « aménagement international du territoire » des Etats. Ses principales publications incluent : Uti possidetis et sécession, Paris, Dalloz, 2011, 667p. ; Droit international des villes, Paris, Mare & Martin, 2021, 256p. (dont la 1ère publication en ligne sur le site <https://vdicil.org/> 2017).

Anouche Beaudouin is Associate Professor in public law at Université Côte d'Azur. She has been judge assessor at the « Cour Nationale du Droit d'Asile » (2010-2011). Her research mainly focuses on the territory in international law : always interested in the determination of States' territory, she now extends the scope of her research to the emergence of an « international law of the cities » and of an « international planning of States' territory ». Her publications include: "Uti possidetis et sécession" (Dalloz 2011), "Droit international des villes" (Mare & Martin 2021, 256p.; first edited on <https://vdicil.org/> 2017).

## **Aristide Nononsi**

### **United Nations Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Sudan (2014-2020)**

Dr. Aristide Nononsi is currently working for Lawyers Without Borders Canada as Country Director and Regional Representative in Mali. He has been the United Nations Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Sudan from 2014-2020. Previously, he was the Director of the Institute for Human Rights and Development in Africa from 2012-2014, and the Executive Director of the Centre for Developing Area Studies in the Institute for the Study of International Development (McGill University) and a Senior Boulton Fellow in International Development and the Law at McGill's Faculty of Law from 2007-2011. Dr Aristide Nononsi has held significant postings at the International Labor Office (in Switzerland and Algeria)

from 1992-1999 as well as at the African Development Bank (in Côte d'Ivoire and Tunisia) from 1999-2007.

Dr. Aristide Nononsi holds a Doctorate degree (Ph.D.) in Law, University Montesquieu, Bordeaux 4; a Master of Research (MRes-DEA) in political science from Sciences Po Bordeaux in France.

## **Bernard Duhaime**

### **Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)**

Bernard Duhaime est professeur titulaire de droit international à la Faculté de Sciences politiques et de Droit de l'Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM, à Montréal au Canada) où il enseigne principalement le droit international des droits humains et se spécialise dans le Système interaméricain de protection des droits de la personne (2004-). Il a également été Membre du Groupe de travail sur les disparitions forcées ou involontaires, se rapportant au Conseil des Droits de l'Homme de l'Organisation des Nations Unies (2014-2021). Bernard Duhaime est lauréat de la Fondation Pierre Elliott Trudeau (2017-2021), professeur invité à l'Université Paris II Panthéon-Assas (Paris, France), associate research fellow à la Geneva Academy (Genève, Suisse), collaborateur émérite du Centre Raoul Wallenberg pour les droits de la personne et membre du conseil avisier du University Network for Human Rights (Wesleyan University, États-Unis), du Torture Journal (Copenhague, Danemark) et du Centre pour le Pluralisme juridique et les droits de la personne (Université McGill, Montréal, Canada). Il est membre du Barreau du Québec au Canada depuis 1999 (avocat émérite 2021).

Bernard Duhaime is Full Professor of International Law at the Faculty of Law and Political Science of the University of Quebec in Montreal (UQAM, Montreal, Canada), where he teaches mainly international human rights law and specializes on the Inter-American System of Protection of Human Rights (2004-). He also served as a Member of the Working group on enforced or involuntary disappearances reporting to the United Nations Human Rights Council (2014-2021). Bernard Duhaime is currently a Fellow of the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation (2017-2021), a visiting professor at the University Paris II Panthéon-Assas (Paris, France) and an associate research fellow at the Geneva Academy (Geneva, Switzerland). He is also senior fellow at the Raoul Wallenberg Center for Human rights (Montréal, Canada) and a member of the advisory board of the University Network for Human Rights (Wesleyan University, United States), of the Torture Journal (Copenhagen, Denmark) and of the Center for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism (McGill University, Montréal, Canada). He is a member of the Quebec Bar, in Canada since 1999 (advocatus emeritus 2021).

## **Brian L. Cox**

### **Judge Advocate, U.S. Army (retired)**

Professor Cox's work is focused on the related fields of international criminal law, the law involving armed conflict, national security law, and comparative military justice. Prior to transitioning to academia, Prof. Cox retired in 2018 from the U.S. Army after 22 years of military service. He served as an airborne infantry soldier, combat camera operator, airborne infantry officer, and for seven years as an Army judge advocate. His combat deployments include Iraq from 2003-2004 as a combat camera operator and Afghanistan from 2013-2014 as an operational law attorney and then the chief of international and operational law for Regional Command-East. His military awards, decorations, and qualifications include the Ranger Tab, Senior Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Air Assault Badge, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Basic and Advanced Collateral Damage Estimation Certification, and Joint Firepower Certification. Prof. Cox holds an LL.M. from Queen's Law and a B.A. (International Relations) and J.D. from the University of North Carolina.

## **Charles-Emmanuel Côté**

### **Faculty of Law, Université Laval**

Charles-Emmanuel Côté is Full Professor at the Faculty of Law of Université Laval in Quebec City and member of the École supérieure d'études internationales (ESEI), where he teaches Public International Law, International Economic Law and Constitutional Law. He was Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies and Continuing Legal Education and Secretary of the Faculty of Law from 2014 to 2018. He holds a doctorate degree in law from McGill University (Dean's Honour List) and is a lawyer called at the Barreau du Québec. He is also a member of the board of directors of the Canadian Council on International Law (CCIL) and Vice-President of the Société québécoise de droit international (SQDI). Professor Côté previously held a position of constitutional policy advisor at the Secrétariat aux affaires intergouvernementales canadiennes (SAIC) of the Quebec Government. He was also a researcher at the Centre de droit de la consommation of the Université catholique de Louvain in Belgium, where he worked on legislative assistance programmes of the European Commission in Central and Eastern Europe and former USSR countries. He is a member of the International Law Association (ILA) Committee on the Rule of Law and International Investment Law, and a Member of the Investor State Dispute Settlement (ISDS) Academic Forum of PluriCourts, at the University of Oslo, which collaborates with the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) on ISDS reform. Professor Côté is a member of NAFTA Chapter 19 and CUSMA Chapter 10 panel roster for Canada, as well as of the Canadian Free Trade Agreement (CFTA) panel roster for Quebec. His book on the participation of private persons to the settlement of international economic disputes received an award from the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC). His current research focuses on ISDS reform and the international legal aspects of federalism.

## **Darja Eastlake**

### **Directorate of Cyber Operations Law, Office of the Judge Advocate General, Canadian Armed Forces**

After 20 years as an Intelligence Officer in the Primary Reserve with two international deployments, and time as a police officer with Halton Regional and Toronto Police Services, Lieutenant-Colonel (LCol) Darja Eastlake joined the Regular Force as a Legal Officer, in 2007. This change followed law school at the University of Windsor, with a summer at the University of Oxford, and articles with the federal Department of Justice.

As a Legal Officer, LCol Eastlake's experience with operational law includes international exercises, interactions with allies, a deployment onboard Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Vancouver off the coast of Libya, and time as a legal advisor to the Canadian Joint Operations Command. Upon completion of a LL.M. at McGill University in 2020, LCol Eastlake was posted to her current position, leading the newly created Directorate of Cyber Operations Law.

Her other portfolios have included: legal advisor to the Canadian Armed Forces Strategic Response Team on Sexual Misconduct; one of the Special Advisors to the Judge Advocate General; and the legal advisor to the Chief of the Defence Staff's office.

When not at work, LCol Eastlake enjoys time with her husband, two children, and HuskyLab, being outdoors as much as possible.

## **David Hughes**

### **Human Rights Research and Education Centre, University of Ottawa**

David Hughes is the Alex Trebek Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Ottawa, Faculty of Law and an Instructor at Trinity College, University of Toronto. He holds a Ph.D. from Osgoode Hall Law School during which time he spent two years at the University of Michigan Law School as a Grotius Research Fellow. David has written about various topics and themes relating to international law which have appeared or within a number of journals including the European Journal of International Law, the Georgetown Journal of International Law, and the Melbourne Journal of International Law. Before beginning his doctoral work, David worked at the Council of Europe and with the UN High Commissioner for Refugees.

## **Desirée LeClercq**

### **Cornell ILR School & Associate Member, Cornell Law Faculty**

Desiree is an Assistant Professor of International Labor Law at Cornell University's School of Industrial Labor Relations. After graduating from the University of Texas School of Law, she spent four years working for the Chairman of the National Labor Relations Board, before joining the International Labor Organization (ILO) Standards Department. At the ILO, Desiree specialized in maritime labor law and spent several years assisting governments and stakeholders in implementing the Maritime Labor Convention's fundamental labor rights. She left the ILO in 2016 to join the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) under the Obama Administration. As Director for Labor Affairs at USTR, Desiree negotiated labor provisions in trade agreements and was extensively involved in labor and trade-related discussions between the United States and Southeast Asian countries. She left USTR in 2020 to join Cornell's law faculty.

## **Ekaterina Antsygina**

### **Queen's University, Faculty of Law**

Ekaterina Antsygina is a Ph.D. candidate at the Queens University Faculty of Law. Her research is devoted to the delimitation of the extended continental shelves in the Central Arctic Ocean.

Ekaterina worked as an assistant professor of public international law at the Catholic University of Colombia and published several articles on the law of the sea.

Ekaterina Antsygina holds an LL. B with distinction from Mari State University, Russia; and an LL. M in International and Comparative Law from The Ohio State University, USA. Her master studies were sponsored by the Fulbright Scholarship. Mrs. Antsygina is admitted to the practice of law in Russia and the State of New York. The scientific interests of Ekaterina include the law of the sea, international environmental law, public international law, and Arctic governance.

Ekaterina worked as a visiting scholar at the Max Planck Institute Luxembourg for Procedural Law, Scandinavian Institute of Maritime Law, The International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis, and as an intern at the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea.

## **Érick Sullivan**

### **Canadian Partnership for International Justice**

Avocat diplômé du baccalauréat en droit de l'Université Laval (UL), Érick Sullivan est directeur adjoint de la Clinique de droit international pénal et humanitaire (CDIPH) et coordonnateur du Partenariat canadien pour la justice internationale (PCJI). Au coeur d'un écosystème de formation en droit international à la Faculté de droit, il est un leader de l'enseignement clinique en droit international pénal, humanitaire et des droits humains, et est intervenu dans plusieurs conférences et formations au Canada, en Afrique et en Europe. Il a conçu et réalisé des projets de recherche et des activités scientifiques d'envergure, comme le PCJI et la Rencontre d'experts sur la collaboration entre les autorités nationales chargées des poursuites et les organisations non-gouvernementales. Coéditeur de Quid Justitiae, un blogue francophone dédié au droit international pénal et humanitaire, il siège au Conseil d'administration du Conseil canadien pour le droit international, ainsi qu'à son sous-comité des Bourses John. P. Humphrey.

## **Fady Zeidan**

### **The Global Fund to Fight Aids, Tuberculosis and Malaria**

Fady Zeidan is the General Counsel and Head of the Legal and Governance Department of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. He is a legal professional with more than 30 years of experience in international finance and development. Before joining the Global Fund, Mr. Zeidan served as Deputy General Counsel of the International Finance Corporation of the World Bank Group. He obtained his LL.M. at Harvard Law School, law degree at the Université Saint Joseph in Lebanon, and a degree in business law from Université de Droit, d'Economie et des Sciences Sociales in Paris II, France.

## **François Crépeau**

### **Former United Nations Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants (2011-2017)**

François Crépeau is Full Professor and the Hans & Tamar Oppenheimer Chair in Public International Law, at the Faculty of Law of McGill University. He was the Director of the McGill Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism from 2015 to 2020. He is a member of the Scientific Committee of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (Vienna, AT), the Chair of the Thematic Working Group: Migrant Rights and Integrations in Host Communities, KNOMAD - Global Knowledge Partnership on Migration and Development, World Bank Group (Washington, DC), and a member of the Advisory Committee of the International Migration Initiative of the Open Society Foundations (NY). He was the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Migrants (2011-2017).

François Crépeau est professeur et titulaire de la Chaire Hans et Tamar Oppenheimer en droit international public, à la Faculté de droit de l'Université McGill. Il est membre du Comité scientifique de l'Agence pour les droits fondamentaux de l'Union Européenne (Vienne, AT), Président du Thematic Working Group: Migrant Rights and Integration in Host Communities, KNOMAD - Global Knowledge Partnership on Migration and Development, World Bank Group (Washington DC), et membre du Advisory Committee de la International Migration Initiative des Open Society Foundations (NYC). Il fut Rapporteur spécial des Nations Unies pour les droits de l'homme des migrants de 2011 à 2017.



## **Gabriel Swiney**

### **United States Department of State**

Gabriel Swiney is an international space lawyer for the U.S. Department of State. He advises the United States National Space Council as well as Department of State officials on all issues relating to international space law, as well as the nexus between international rules and domestic laws and regulations. Gabriel works directly with the highest levels of U.S. Government space policymakers as well as with private space actors.

Gabriel represents the United States internationally in negotiations with foreign governments and works with senior policymakers to implement and shape U.S. space policy. He is the Head of Delegation for the United States to the COPUOS Legal Subcommittee and was a member of the U.S. Government team that negotiated the Artemis Accords and a series of agreements to construct and operate the Gateway station in Lunar orbit. He was a primary author of the Artemis Accords, as well as a 2020 Executive Order setting our U.S. policy regarding space resources.

Gabriel is a frequent speaker at space law conferences, as well as on podcasts and other media relating to space law and policy.

In his nearly decade and a half of experience as an international lawyer, Gabriel Swiney has provided guidance to multiple United States National Security Advisors and Secretaries of State. He has successfully negotiated high-profile and complex arrangements with ministerial-level officials from foreign governments, as well as with militant and rebel groups around the world. He has taught undergraduates and law students, and he has published articles on a range of international law issues.

## **Jean Abboud**

### **The Global Fund to Fight Aids, Tuberculosis and Malaria**

Jean Abboud is a Principal Legal Counsel at the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria where he provides legal and policy advice on a wide range of institutional and corporate governance matters. Before joining the Global Fund Mr. Abboud served as Counsel at the Bank for International Settlements and worked in the private sector. He holds a Master's degree in international law from the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (Geneva), as well as a Bachelor of Civil Law (B.C.L.) and Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) from McGill University. He is a member of the Québec and New York bars.

## **Jennifer Trahan**

### **New York University Center for Global Affairs**

Jennifer Trahan is Clinical Professor at NYU's Center for Global Affairs where she directs the Concentration in International Law and Human Rights, and teaches a variety of courses on International Law. She is a prolific scholar, having authored scores of law review articles and book chapters including on the International Criminal Court's crime of aggression. Her book, "Existing Legal Limits to Security Council Veto Power in the Face of Atrocity Crimes" was published in 2020 by Cambridge University Press. She holds various positions with the American Branch of the International Law Association and is on the Use of Force Committee of the International Law Association. She has served as an amicus curiae to the International Criminal Court on the appeal of the situation regarding Afghanistan, and served on the Council of Advisers on the Application of the Rome Statute to Cyberwarfare.

## **Julia Grignon**

### **Co-Director of the International Criminal and Humanitarian Law Clinic**

Julia Grignon est professeure agrégée à la Faculté de droit de l'Université Laval où elle enseigne le droit international humanitaire, le droit international des droits de la personne et le droit international des réfugiés. Elle est l'une des codirectrices de la Clinique de droit international pénal et humanitaire et l'une des membres cofondatrices du Centre interdisciplinaire de recherche sur l'Afrique et le Moyen Orient. Elle dirige deux projets de recherche : Osons le DIH! Promotion et renforcement du droit international humanitaire :

une contribution canadienne ; L'application extraterritoriale des droits humains en contexte d'opérations militaires extérieures. Au sein de l'Université Laval, elle est également membre du Partenariat canadien pour la justice internationale. Julia Grignon est membre du conseil scientifique de l'Institut de Recherche Stratégique de l'École militaire (France) et membre du conseil d'administration de la Société Québécoise de Droit International.

Avant de rejoindre l'Université Laval, Julia Grignon a notamment été secrétaire internationale adjointe de la Fédération internationale de l'Action des Chrétiens pour l'Abolition de la Torture (Paris, France) et assistante de recherche et d'enseignement à la Faculté de droit de l'Université de Genève (Suisse). Elle est diplômée des Universités de Genève (Ph.D.), du Québec à Montréal (Maîtrise) et de Rouen (Licence).

Julia Grignon s'intéresse à toutes les branches du droit international relatives à la protection de la personne, mais son domaine de spécialisation est le droit international humanitaire qui a été son champ de recherches privilégié depuis plus de 10 ans. Elle est l'auteure de l'ouvrage L'applicabilité temporelle du droit international humanitaire (Genève: Schulthess, 2014), elle a dirigé l'ouvrage Hommage à Jean Pictet (Cowansville/Genève: Yvon Blais/Schulthess, 2016) et elle est également l'auteure de diverses publications dans le domaine.

Julia Grignon est membre du Comité pour le Concours Jean-Pictet depuis 2008 (présidente du comité de pilotage 2013, 2014, 2016 et 2017), et co-auteure au sein du Casebook Online portant sur le droit dans la guerre.

## **Kathleen Claussen**

### **University of Miami School of Law**

Kathleen Claussen is Associate Professor at the University of Miami School of Law and Non-Resident Senior Fellow at the Georgetown Institute of International Economic Law. She is the author of more than 30 articles and essays concerning trade, investment, and international dispute settlement, among other related research areas. Among other leadership roles, she serves on the Executive Council and Executive Committee of the American Society of International Law and as co-Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of International Economic Law. Prior to joining the academy, Professor Claussen was Associate General Counsel at the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR). Earlier in her career, she was Legal Counsel at the Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague covering disputes between countries and investment law arbitrations. She is a graduate of the Yale Law School, Queen's University Belfast where she was a Mitchell Scholar, and Indiana University where she was a Wells Scholar.

## **Katrina Perehudoff**

### **Law Centre for Health and Life, University of Amsterdam**

Katrina Perehudoff, MSc LLM PhD, is a health scientist and legal scholar with over a decade of experience in pharmaceutical policy. She is currently a Senior Research Fellow and Co-Director of the Law Center for Health and Life at the Amsterdam Law School (UvA). She is also a Fellow at the Amsterdam Institute of Global Health & Development (AIGHD), the Amsterdam Centre for European Law and Governance (ACELG), and the WHO Collaborating Centre for Governance, Accountability, and Transparency in the Pharmaceutical Sector (University of Toronto). Katrina's research focuses on the development, formulation, implementation, and evaluation of law and policy interventions in the field of pharmaceuticals and public health. She draws on concepts, methods, and interpretive lenses from her training in health science and law. Katrina applies her research findings in practice through her involvement as a member of the Advisory Board of the Pharmaceutical Accountability Foundation and the European Association of Health Action International.

## **Ksenia Polonskaya**

### **Carleton University Department of Law and Legal Studies**

Ksenia Polonskaya is Assistant Professor at Carleton University, Department of Law and Legal Studies. She obtained Phd at Queen's University, Faculty of Law. Ksenia specializes in international and comparative law. Her current projects focus on ethics and diversity in international law.

## **Leah West**

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## **Marc-André Blanchard**

### **Former Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations in New York, Former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of McCarthy Tétrault**

À titre de premier vice-président et chef, CDPQ mondial, Marc-André Blanchard est responsable des trois grandes directions régionales de la Caisse dans le monde, soit les États-Unis/Amérique latine, l'Europe et l'Asie-Pacifique. Il assume ainsi le leadership des activités des bureaux à l'international, en vue de poursuivre la diversification du portefeuille en abordant les différents marchés avec une vue d'ensemble. En plus de représenter la Caisse auprès d'intervenants clés dans des organisations mondiales, il a pour mandat de contribuer à en assurer la visibilité comme partenaire de choix dans les régions ciblées. Il siège au comité de direction et au comité Investissement-Risques.

M. Blanchard possède une longue feuille de route dans les domaines du droit, de la gestion et des affaires internationales. Avant de se joindre à la Caisse en septembre 2020, il a été ambassadeur et représentant permanent du Canada aux Nations Unies à New York, de 2016 à 2020. Au cours de son mandat, il a démontré un leadership de premier plan pour favoriser un meilleur alignement entre le capital et les objectifs de développement durable. De 2017 à 2020, il a siégé au conseil canadien de l'Accord de libre-échange nord-américain. Auparavant, il a été président du conseil et chef de la direction de McCarthy Tétrault, l'un des plus importants cabinets d'avocats au Canada. Au cours des 20 ans où il y a oeuvré, il a aussi été associé directeur pour le Québec, avocat plaidant et conseiller stratégique pour les entreprises.

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