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**ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

Catherine Roraback Professor of Law, F2020-present

Professor of Law, University of Connecticut School of Law & Human Rights Institute (Joint Appointment), F2013-S2020

Associate Director, Human Rights Institute, University of Connecticut (F2015-S2021)

Director, LL.M. in Human Rights and Social Justice, University of Connecticut School of Law (F2014-S2018, S2020)

*Committee Service:* Dean Search (Law), Dean Review (Law), Faculty Appointments Committee (Law), Personnel Advisory Committee (Law), Graduate and International Committee (Law), Clerkship Committee (Law, Chair 2013-2014), Graduate Committee (HRI, Chair 2016-2021), Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (HRI), Ad Hoc Awards Committees (HRI, Chair 2016-2021), Gladstein Committee (HRI), Faculty Advisory Committee (University), Task Force on Free Speech and Civility (University)

*Courses:* International Human Rights (Law/HRI), Civil Procedure (Law), Human Rights and New Technologies (HRI)

New York Law School, Associate Professor of Law, F2007-S2013

Yale Law School, Visiting Lecturer in Law, S2007 & Allard K. Lowenstein / Robert M. Cover Fellow in International Human Rights, F2005-S2007

Yale University, Lecturer, S2006-F2006

**EDUCATION**

Yale Law School, J.D., 2001 (*Yale Law Journal*, *Yale Journal of Law & Feminism*)

University of Bonn, Political Science and Sociology, 1996-1998 (Fulbright Scholar, 1996-1997)

Hamline University, English and Women’s Studies, B.A., 1996 (Summa Cum Laude with Honors)

**BOOKS**

Beyond Borders: The Human Rights of Non-Citizens at Home and Abroad (CUP 2021) (lead editor, with Kathryn L. Libal and Jillian Chambers).

New Technologies for Human Rights Law and Practice (CUP 2018) (lead editor, with Jay Aronson) ([link](https://www.cambridge.org/core/books/new-technologies-for-human-rights-law-and-practice/A6473E8A4F6A9ED12675E54A03318802)).

World Blind Union Guide to the Marrakesh Treaty: Facilitating Access to Books for Print-Disabled Individuals (OUP 2017) (second author, with Laurence R. Helfer, Ruth L. Okediji, and Jerome H. Reichman) ([link](http://www.worldblindunion.org/English/our-work/our-priorities/Pages/WBU-Guide-to-the-Marrakesh-Treaty.aspx)).

A Documentary Companion to Storming the Court (Aspen 2009) (co-author).

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*Human Rights and Technology: New Challenges for Justice and Accountability*, 16 Annual Review of Law and Social Science223 (2020) (lead author, with Jay Aronson).

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*Against Privatized Censorship: Proposals for Responsible Delegation*, 60 Va. J. Int’l L. 363 (2020) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3442184)).

*Speech Duties*, 112 AJIL Unbound 329 (2018) ([link](https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/american-journal-of-international-law/article/speech-duties/ED3A2D7BBA54A0A3FD60B60FECF1B3D9)).

*The Marrakesh Treaty as “Bottom Up” Lawmaking: Empowering Local Human Rights Action on IP Policies*, 8 UC Irvine L. Rev. 513 (2018) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3310380)).

*Web Accessibility and Technology Protection Measures: Harmonizing the Rights of Persons with Cognitive Disabilities and Copyright Protections on the Web*, 11(1) Cyberpsychology: J. Psychosocial Research on Cyberspace (2017) (co-author), doi: 10.5817/CP2017-1-5 ([link](https://cyberpsychology.eu/article/view/6733/6200)).

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*Toward an International Law of the Internet*, 54 Harv. Int’l L.J. 393 (2013) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2177993)).

*Rebalancing TRIPS*, 33 *Mich. J. Int’l L.* 1 (2012) ([link](https://repository.law.umich.edu/mjil/vol33/iss3/1/)).

*Region Codes and Human Rights*, 30 Cardozo Arts & Ent. L.J. 101 (2012) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2114407)).

*Networked Activism*, 22 Harv. Hum. Rts. J. 205 (2009) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1475423)).

*Peer Producing Human Rights*, 46 Alberta L.R. 1 (2009) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1712021)).

*Protecting Rights Online*, 34 Yale J. Int’l L. 1 (2009) ([link](https://digitalcommons.law.yale.edu/yjil/vol34/iss1/2/)), *reprinted in* Intellectual Property and Human Rights 457 (Laurence R. Helfer ed., 2013).

*Functional Democracy: Responding to Failures of Accountability*, 44 Harv. Int’l L.J. 387 (2003) ([link](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/293597564_Functional_democracy_Responding_to_failures_of_accountability)), *reprinted in* Democracy and International Law 123 (Richard Burchill ed., 2006).

**BOOK CHAPTERS**

*The Impact of Information Communication Technologies on Economic and Social Rights*, *in* Oxford Handbook of Economic and Social Rights (Malcolm Langford and Katherine G. Young eds., OUP forthcoming 2022) (lead author, with Jack Barry).

*Introduction: The Human Rights of Non-Citizens*, in Beyond Borders: The Human Rights of Non-Citizens at Home and Abroad (CUP 2021) (lead author, with Kathryn L. Libal and Jillian Chambers).

*Business Responsibilities for Human Rights in Exercising IP Rights*, *in* Cambridge Companion to Business and Human Rights (Ilias Bantekas and Michael Ashley Stein eds., CUP 2021) (lead author, with Lea Nesselhauf).

*The Problem of Platform Law: Pluralistic Legal Ordering and Social Media*, *in* Oxford Handbook of Global Legal Pluralism 958 (Paul Berman ed., OUP 2020) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3454222)).

*Beyond Takedown: Expanding the Toolkit for Responding to Online Hate*, *in* Propaganda, War Crimes Trials and International Law: From Cognition to Criminality 143 (Predrag Dojcinovic, ed., Routledge 2019) (lead author, with Rebecca J. Hamilton).

*Regulating Private Harms Online: Content Regulation Under Human Rights Law*, *in* Human Rights in the Age of Platforms 285(Rikke Frank Jørgensen ed., MIT Press 2019) ([link](https://mitpress.mit.edu/books/human-rights-age-platforms)).

*Article 22: Respect for Privacy*, *in* The UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities: A Commentary 604 (Ilias Bantekas et al. eds., OUP 2018) (lead author, with Anthony Giannoumis, Agnieszka Kitkowska, and Maria Mikhaylova).

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*Justice as Legitimacy in the European Court of Human Rights*, *in* Legitimacy and International Courts 83 (Nienke Grossman et al. eds., CUP 2018) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2608578)).

*A Human Rights Perspective on U.S. Courts and the Constitutional Regulation of the Internet*, *in* Internet Law, Fundamental Rights, and Constitutional Adjudication 48 (Graziella Romeo & Oreste Pollicino eds., Routledge 2015) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2608625)).

*Participatory Fact-Finding: Developing New Approaches to Human Rights Investigation Through New Technologies*, *in* The Future of Human Rights Fact-Finding 399 (Philip Alston & Sarah Knuckey eds., OUP 2015) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2559233)).

*Human Rights Frames in IP Contests*, *in* Balancing Wealth and Health: Global Law and the Battle over Intellectual Property and Access to Medicines in Latin America 276 (Rochelle Dreyfuss & César Rodríguez Garavito eds., OUP 2014) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2289308)).

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**HUMAN RIGHTS REPORTS**

Invisible Threats: Online Hate Speech Against Human Rights Defenders in Guatemala (2019) ([link](https://www.americanbar.org/groups/human_rights/reports/invisiblethreats-online-hate-speech/)).

ICT4HR—Information and Communication Technologies for Human Rights, World Bank (2012) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2178484)).

The Myth of Normalcy: Legal Impunity and the Judiciary in Kashmir (2008) ([link](https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&ved=2ahUKEwi4zLG3yYrmAhWjUt8KHV_yAIQQFjAAegQIBhAC&url=https%3A%2F%2Flaw.yale.edu%2Fsites%2Fdefault%2Ffiles%2Fdocuments%2Fpdf%2FIntellectual_Life%2FKashmir_MythofNormalcy.pdf&usg=AOvVaw3OzVRV8al7zHfuYk5Xzebh)).

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Women’s Access to Justice in Zambia in the Context of HIV/AIDS (2005).

The Government Response to Domestic Violence Against Refugee and Immigrant Women in the Minneapolis/St. Paul Metropolitan Area: A Human Rights Report (2004) ([link](https://www.theadvocatesforhumanrights.org/uploads/gov_response_dv_mn.pdf)).

**SELECTED OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

“Book Review: Digital Witness: Using Open Source Information for Human Rights Investigation, Documentation, and Accountability,” *Prometheus* (forthcoming 2021).

*Remedy and Enforcement in the Digital Services Act*, Medium, August 4, 2020 ([link](https://medium.com/global-network-initiative-collection/remedy-and-enforcement-in-the-digital-services-act-by-professor-molly-land-a37b31b61ed5)).

*Introductory Remarks: New Technologies in International Criminal and Human Rights Investigations and Fact Finding*, 112 ASIL Proceedings 127 (2019).

*Human Rights and New Technologies: Setting the Agenda for Human Rights-Centred Innovation*, UN Research Institute for Social Development, Feb. 15, 2019 ([link](http://www.unrisd.org/unrisd/website/newsview.nsf/%28httpNews%29/02E290699BB7CB0CC12583A2004671B5?OpenDocument)).

*Advocacy, Meet Academia: Connecting Disciplines to Improve Human Rights Research*, OpenGlobalRights, Aug. 9, 2018 (with Theresa Harris) ([link](https://www.openglobalrights.org/advocacy-meet-academia-connecting-disciplines-to-improve-human-rights-research/)).

*Freedom, Responsibility, and the Human Right to Science*, AAAS Scientific Responsibility, Human Rights & Law Program (2017) (with Sarah Hamilton) ([link](https://mcmprodaaas.s3.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/AAAS%20CSFR%20Article%20Land%20FINAL%2017Oc04.pdf?r_EYrteiqwy3un0WQZNkDhy5gfbrpNPy)).

*The UK’s plan to deny terrorists ‘safe spaces’ online would make us all less safe in the long run*, The Conversation, June 15, 2017 ([link](https://theconversation.com/the-uks-plan-to-deny-terrorists-safe-spaces-online-would-make-us-all-less-safe-in-the-long-run-79323)).

*Introductory Note to the General Assembly’s Resolution on the Right to Privacy in the Digital Age*, 53:4 International Legal Materials 727 (2014) (with Anupam Chander).

*Review of A Neofederalist Vision of TRIPS: The Resilience of the International Intellectual Property Regime*, 4 The IP Law Book Review 1 (2014) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2432187)).

*Review of Due Process and International Terrorism: An International Legal Analysis*, 105 Am. J. Int’l L. 176 (2011) ([link](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2114456)).

**FUNDING/GRANTS**

Human Rights Institute Grant ($75,000, Co-PI)

Human Rights Institute Faculty Small Grant ($2000, PI)

University of Connecticut Provost Academic Grant, “Business and Human Rights Engaged Research Project,” ($2,000 PI, $265,000 Co-Director)

University of Connecticut Humanities Institute, Public Discourse Award, “Hate Speech and Human Rights: Law, Technology and Public Discourse,” (2016) ($8,000, Co-PI)

Human Rights Institute Faculty Workshop Award (2015) ($10,000, PI)

**UNITED NATIONS & EXPERT CONSULTATIONS**

Expert Workshop, Monitoring Online Threats to Human Rights Defenders, Jan. 14, 2021 (co-organized with Human Rights First)

Expert Workshop on Human Rights Impact Assessments of Digital Business Activities, Danish Institute for Human Rights, Nov. 21-22, 2019.

Re-energising the Narrative: Human Rights in the Digital Age, Wilton Park, Jan. 14-16, 2018

Discussion Group on Human Rights and Human Agency, UN Secretary General’s High Level Panel on Digital Cooperation, December 4, 2018.

“The World Blind Union Guide to the Marrakesh Treaty,” Side Event at Standing Committee on Copyright and Related Rights, WIPO Meeting, May 2, 2017.

Expert’s meeting with the U.N. Special Rapporteur on the Promotion and Protection of the Right to Freedom of Expression and Opinion, David Kaye, October 24, 2016.

Expert’s meeting with the U.N. Special Rapporteur on the Promotion and Protection of the Right to Freedom of Expression and Opinion, David Kaye, July 22, 2016.

Expert’s meeting with the U.N. Special Rapporteur on Extrajudicial, Summary or Arbitrary Executions, Cristof Heyns, February 9, 2015.

Expert’s meeting with the U.N. Special Rapporteur in the Field of Cultural Rights, Farida Shaheed, October 29, 2014.

Expert’s meeting with the U.N. Special Rapporteur on Extreme Poverty and Human Rights, Magdalene Sepúlveda, October 15, 2012.

Expert Roundtable, “New Media and Human Rights,” U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C., June 11, 2010.

**SELECTED LECTURES AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS[[1]](#footnote-1)**

Lecture, “Invisible Threats: Addressing the Impact of New Technologies in Human Rights Practice,” Human Rights in Practice Series, Duke Law School, Nov. 13, 2019.

“Privatized Censorship,” ASIL Mid-Year Meeting, Nov. 9, 2019.

“Privatized Censorship,” Harvard Law School International Law Workshop, Nov. 6, 2019.

“New Technologies: New Challenges for Democracy and International Law,” 8th Annual Cambridge International Law Conference, Mar. 21, 2019.

Keynote Panel, “Human Rights in the 4th Industrial Revolution, How Should UN Human Rights Mechanisms Respond?,” Seoul, Korea, Dec. 10, 2018.

Keynote, “Human Rights and New Technologies: Setting the Agenda for Human Rights-Centered Innovation,” UN Side Event to the Human Rights Council, Sept. 26, 2018.

Plenary Panel, “Speech Regulation by Internet Intermediaries,” Freedom of Expression Scholars Conference, Yale Law School, May 1, 2016.

“New Technologies, International Criminal Accountability and First Responders,” American Society of International Law Annual Meeting, Apr. 2, 2016.

“Human Rights and Code,” The New Roles of Corporations in Global Governance, University of Georgia, Apr. 18, 2014.

“Fact-Finding with Crowd Sourcing, Social Media, and Big Data,” International Human Rights Fact-Finding in the Twenty-First Century, NYU Law School, Nov. 2, 2013.

“New Approaches for Governing Emerging Technologies,” First Annual Conference on Governance of Emerging Technologies: Law, Policy and Ethics, Arizona State University, May 21, 2013.

“Toward an International Law of the Internet,” Human Rights Workshop, Yale Law School, Sept. 27, 2012.

Plenary Panel, “Perspectives on Access to Knowledge and Human Rights,” Fourth Annual Access to Knowledge Conference, Yale Law School, Feb. 10, 2010.

Clason Lecture, “Human Rights, Copyright and Culture,” Western New England College School of Law, Apr. 7, 2009.

Plenary Panel, “A2K and Human Rights,” Fourth Annual Access to Knowledge Conference, Geneva, Switzerland, Sept. 8, 2008.

**SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE**

“Hate Speech in Context,” The Regulatory Review, Oct. 22, 2020 ([link](https://www.theregreview.org/2020/10/22/lee-hate-speech-context/))

“President Trump to Lose Twitter Protections After Leaving White House,” *Newsy*, Nov. 10, 2020 ([link](https://www.newsy.com/stories/president-trump-to-lose-special-twitter-protections/))

“The Normalization of Hate,” *Freshly Squeezed with Colin McEnroe*, Oct. 2, 2019 ([link](https://watkinson.org/freshly-squeezed/)), *rebroadcast on* *The Colin McEnroe Show*, NPR, Oct. 17, 2019 ([link](https://www.wnpr.org/post/normalization-hate)).

Ben Lampert, “CT Who Target Alleged Child Predators Draw Cheers, Concern,” New Haven Register, Feb. 18, 2019 ([link](https://www.nhregister.com/news/article/CT-vigilantes-that-target-alleged-child-predators-13623390.php)).

Interview with SpareMin, June 26, 2017 (UK policies on extremist content) ([link](http://share.sparemin.com/recording-12029)).

Interview with Knowledge@Wharton Radio, September 29, 2015 (European refugee crisis).

“Is There an International Law of the Internet?,” Digital Age, Nov. 7, 2012 (aired on NYCTV25, Nov. 25, 2012) ([link](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FDVpn1rWHW0)).

**PEER AND AD HOC REVIEWING**

External Reviewer, Center for Human Rights Science, Carnegie Mellon University (August 2019)

Ad Hoc Reviewer for CUP, OUP, EJIL, and the University of Pennsylvania Press

Peer Reviewer for the *Journal of Human Rights*

Robert L. Bernstein International Human Rights Fellowship Selection Committee (2014-2019)

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Working Group on the Future of Content Regulation, Global Partners Digital (2020-present)

Working Group on Overseeing the Facebook Oversight Board, Global Partners Digital (2020-present)

Center for Human Rights Science, Strategic Planning Advisory Committee (2018)

Global Network Initiative, Member (2015-present); Co-Chair of Membership Committee (2019-present); Working Group on Intermediate Liability; Policy Committee; Learning Committee; Board of Directors (Alternate) (2017-2020)

Ethics Advisory Board, The Whistle (2016-present)

Core Group of Experts, The Human Rights Methodology Lab (2015-2018)

AAAS Committee on Scientific Freedom and Responsibility (2014-2020)

Board of Directors, The Free Internet Project (2014-present)

Research Fellow, Center for Human Rights Science at Carnegie Mellon University (2014-present)

Affiliated Fellow, Information Society Project, Yale Law School (2007-present)

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Associate, Faegre & Benson LLP, Minneapolis, MN, 2003-2005

Robert L. Bernstein Fellow in International Human Rights, Advocates for Human Rights, 2002-2003

Honorable Denise Cote, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, 2001-2002

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1. A full list of presentations is available upon request. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)