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CURRENT POSITION

**Vermont Law School, South Royalton, Vermont**

*Associate Professor*, January 2007 - present, teaching comparative law, public international law, international organizations, law of the Arctic, law of the sea, and property law. Current research includes trans-boundary cooperation in the Arctic and a biography of law of the sea scholar Elisabeth Mann Borgese

*Senior Research Fellow for Energy and Oceans*, Vermont Law School Institute for Energy and the Environment, 2009-present

**Dartmouth College, Institute of Arctic Studies, Hanover, NH**

Selected as *Visiting Fellow* for 2009-2010, John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding, Institute of Arctic Studies, Dartmouth College

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

**Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts**

2003-2006 Lecturer on Law and Assistant Dean for the Graduate Program and International Legal Studies.

*Appointments:*

- John Harvey Gregory Lecturer on World Organization, 2004-05 and 2005-06, teaching law of the sea and multilateral environmental agreements both years, and Perspectives on US Law: Civil Law and Common Law Compared, August 2005
- Associate, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, 2004-06

**Akademie der Wissenschaften/Academy of Sciences, HDHS, Heidelberg, Germany**

2001 - 2003 Legal historian, focusing on early modern central European legal texts

**Author and Researcher (simultaneous to completion of Kiel doctoral dissertation), Heidelberg and London**

1996 - 2003 *Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg*, see publications on environmental liability, below

1999 - 2002 *The Thomson Corporation, London*, comparative research on the German and US legal systems for development of Westlaw.DE/Germany

**Honorable John T. Noonan, Jr., U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, San Francisco**

August 1995 - July 1996 Judicial Clerk

**Bruckhaus Westrick Stegemann--Rechtsanwälte, Frankfurt, Germany**

November 1994 - April 1995 Guest Lawyer, Environmental Law Department

**University of Minnesota Law School, Minneapolis (1985-1994)**

-1993-1994 Associate Dean for International Programs. Courses: Introduction to U.S. Law for international LL.M. students and Public International Organizations/UN Law

-1991 - 1993 Sabbatical and research leave in Kiel, Germany

-1989 - 1991 Associate Dean for International Programs and for Administration

-1985 - 1989 Assistant Dean for Admissions, Placement & Administration, Director of Legal Writing and International Programs (1985-1991)

**Institut für Internationales Recht -- Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel, Germany**

1991 - 1993 Research Fellow; Assistant Editor, German Yearbook of International Law; LL.M. candidate

**Gray, Plant, Mooty, Mooty & Bennett, P.A., Minneapolis**

1981 - 1994 Law Firm Associate until 1985, then Of Counsel

**Sidley & Austin, Chicago**

1980 Law Firm Summer Associate

## EDUCATION

**Christian-Albrechts-Universität, Kiel, Germany**

Dr. jur. 2000

LL.M. 1994

Doctoral Dissertation: JOHANN CASPAR BLUNTSCHLI, FRANCIS LIEBER UND DAS MODERNE VÖLKERRECHT 1861-1881  
(Johann Caspar Bluntschli, Francis Lieber and Modern International Law 1861-1881)

Masters Thesis: Haftung und Umweltschaden im Völkerrecht  
(Liability & Environmental Damage in Public International Law)

**University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor, Michigan**

J.D. 1982

**Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois**

B.A. History 1978

Three year B.A. honors program; Alpha Lambda Delta women's academic honor society

## CURRENT RESEARCH, FIELD WORK, PRESENTATIONS/INTERVIEWS 2008-09

Member of Science Crew, USCGC Healy, Summers 2008 and 2009 (Healy 08-05 and 09-05) deployments for State Department-sponsored mapping of the US Extended Continental Shelf in the Arctic Ocean

The Beaufort Sea as a Microcosm for Arctic Cooperation. Invited Speaker, University of Montreal Conference on the 100th Anniversary of the Privy Council Decision on the Dixon Strait Entrance and the Boundary Waters Treaty, Montreal, Quebec, December 10, 2009

Marine Geophysics meets Law of the Sea: Mapping the Arctic Ocean, Dartmouth College University Seminar Series, April 29, 2009, Hanover, NH

The Speed of Sound in the Realm of Light: Mapping the Arctic Continental Shelf; in the [Law, Science and the Sea Speakers Series](#) at Green Mountain College, Poultney, VT, 7 April 2009

Work Together on Arctic Sovereignty Disputes, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, March 10, 2009, <http://www.cbc.ca/canada/north/story/2009/03/10/cda-us-arctic.html>

Canadian-US Cooperation in the Beaufort Sea and Arctic Continental Shelf Mapping, Presentations to Canadian diplomatic and press corps with Michael Byers and Ron Macnab, and to the Nunavut Government, February 17-19, 2009, Ottawa, Ontario and Iqaluit, Nunavut

The Extended Continental Shelf in the Arctic Ocean, American University International Law Review Symposium on Russia and the Rule of Law, [Arctic Circle Panel](#), February 11, 2009, Washington, DC

[“Mapping for Advocacy – Using Marine Geophysical Data to Establish the Limits of the Extended Continental Shelves under the Convention on the Law of the Sea”](#) (poster), with B. Coakley, American Geophysical Union Annual Meeting, December 17, 2008, San Francisco, CA

“Science-driven cooperation and policy: Addressing Canadian/US diplomatic concerns in the Arctic“ (talk), Session T12: The Law and Politics of Canadian Jurisdiction on the Arctic Ocean Seabed, Arctic Change 2008 Conference, <http://www.arctic-change2008.com/> in conjunction with the International Polar Year, December 10, 2008, Quebec City, Quebec

Panel Respondent, Institutional and Governance Challenges, Conference on Arctic Climate Change and Security Policy, co-sponsored by the Carnegie Foundation for International Peace, the Dartmouth College Dickey Center for International Understanding, and the University of the Arctic (UArctic), Dartmouth College Center for Arctic Studies, December 1-3, 2008, Hanover, NH

J. Gamble, "Drawing Lines in the Sea: Nations Stake Claims on Arctic Ocean Riches" Scientific American, November 2008, <http://www.sciam.com/article.cfm?id=drawing-lines-in-the-sea>,

“Mapping the US Extended Continental Shelf: Legal Issues”, 2008 New England Marine Law Workshop, sponsored by the Environmental, Earth & Ocean Sciences Department, UMass/Boston & Marine Law Institute, Maine School of Law, November 7, 2008, Boston, MA

Statehood, Constitutions and the Bases of Sovereignty: Finding antecedents to “Responsibility to Protect”, Speaker, “Understanding Genocide” conference, Vermont Law School, October 3, 2008

“Arctic Mapping,” Vermont Public Radio/Morning Edition, September 22, 2008  
[http://www.vpr.net/news\\_detail/82171/](http://www.vpr.net/news_detail/82171/)

“The development of international courts and tribunals in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century,” panelist for “Manley O. Hudson: Progress in International Law,” Annual Meeting of the American Society of International Law, 12 April 2008, Washington D.C.

## FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

**-Vermont Law School Summer Faculty Research Grant** – June to September 2008, for research in the Arctic Ocean aboard the USCG Icebreaker Healy, mapping the US extended

continental shelf under the auspices of the US Department of State. See, e.g., <http://arctic-healy-baker-2008.blogspot.com/>

-**Henry H. Huntington Library**, Chandis Security Fellow, March - May 1998, Dissertation research at the Huntington library in San Marino, California

-**Alexander von Humboldt Foundation**, November 1996 - January 1997, Follow-up grant to Bundeskanzler Scholar award 1991-1992 described below, for dissertation research

-**American Council of Learned Societies/German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)**, 1993 - 1995, contributor to book on international environmental law (see Morrison/Wolfrum 2000 under PUBLICATIONS)

-**Alexander von Humboldt Foundation**, Bundeskanzler Scholar 1991 - 1992, one of ten "Chancellor's Scholars" [http://www.avh.de/en/programme/stip\\_aus/buka.htm](http://www.avh.de/en/programme/stip_aus/buka.htm) brought to Germany for a year of independent research and meetings with German political and cultural leaders

-**American Society of International Law/Academic Council on the UN**, Workshop on International Organization Studies, July 12-24, 1992, Dartmouth, N.H. for 23 beginning professors of law and international relations. Paper topic: New Security Council Powers

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books:

#### *Published*

*Betsy Röben*, JOHANN CASPAR BLUNTSCHLI, FRANCIS LIEBER UND DAS MODERNE VÖLKERRECHT 1861-1881, Nomos Press, Baden-Baden 2002, vol. 4 in the series *Studien zur Geschichte des Völkerrechts (Studies on the history of international law)*, Michael Stolleis (ed), with English summary: Johann Caspar Bluntschli, Francis Lieber and Modern International Law, 1861-1881.

[Reviewed by Karl-Heinz Ziegler in 123. Bd., Savigny Zeitschrift – Germanistische Abteilung 664 (2006); manuscript cited extensively in Martti Koskenniemi, *THE GENTLE CIVILIZER OF NATIONS, THE RISE AND FALL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 1870-1960*, Cambridge University Press 2002, Chapter 1]

#### *In progress*

UNCOMMON HERITAGE: ELISABETH MANN BORGESE (working title). A biography of the scholarly work of the international oceans law activist, an architect of the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea, contributor to the University of Chicago's 1940s Committee to Frame a World Constitution, only female fellow at Robert Maynard Hutchins' Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, and daughter of Katia Mann and Nobel prize winning author Thomas Mann

### Articles, Chapters, Abstracts

"Science-driven cooperation and policy: Addressing Canadian/US diplomatic concerns in the Arctic" in: *The Law and Politics of Canadian Jurisdiction on the Arctic Ocean Seabed Segment of Vermont Law Review*, volume 34, expected January 2010

[“Mapping for Advocacy – Using Marine Geophysical Data to Establish the Limits of the Extended Continental Shelves under the Convention on the Law of the Sea”](#) with B. Coakley, American Geophysical Union Annual Meeting, Abstract # GC33B-0780, December 17, 2008, San Francisco, CA

The Precedential Judge Manley O. Hudson : Rivers, Oceans and Equity, in : R. Bratspies / R. Miller (eds), PROGRESS IN INTERNATIONAL LAW, Nijhoff 2008, 451-472

“States Parties and the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf” in: LIBER AMICORUM JUDGE THOMAS A. MENSAH: LAW OF THE SEA, PROTECTION OF THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT AND SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES, R. Wolfrum / T. Malik Ndiaye (eds), Nijhoff 2007, 669-686

“ ‘Civilized Nations’ in the Work of Johann Caspar Bluntschli” in: POLITISCHES DENKEN IM 17. UND 18. JAHRHUNDERT, R. Reuter/ M. Kremer (Hrsg.), Kohlhammer 2007, 343-359

“Environmental Liability Legislation in the United States,” in ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY IN INTERNATIONAL LAW: TOWARDS A COHERENT CONCEPTION, BERICHTE DES BUNDESUMWELTAMTES (REPORTS OF THE GERMAN FEDERAL ENVIRONMENT AGENCY), (C. Langenfeld, R. Wolfrum (eds), vol. 2/05, Erich Schmidt Verlag Berlin 2005

The New Partnership for African Economic Development, 63 ZaöRV/Heidelberg Journal of International Law 1063 (2003)

“International Law and the Institutions for Financing Sustainable Development after the Johannesburg Summit of 2002”, with Volker Röben, in U. Beyerlin (ed.), 63 ZaöRV /Heidelberg Journal of International Law 551 (2003)

“The Method behind Bluntschli’s ‘Modern’ International Law”, 4 Journal of the History of International Law 249 (2002)

“Judge Shigeru Oda and the Making of International Law”, in *LIBER AMICORUM* FOR JUDGE SHIGERU ODA, (N. Ando, R. Wolfrum, E. McWhinney eds. 2002), Kluwer Law International, 213

“Protection of Global Atmospheric Components,” “International Freshwaters,” “National Enforcement of Global Atmospheric Treaties,” and “Civil Liability as a Control Mechanism for Environmental Protection at the International Level,” four chapters in INTERNATIONAL, REGIONAL AND NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW (F. Morrison, R. Wolfrum eds. 2000) Kluwer Law International, 201, 285, 603 and 821

„US-Amerikanisches Umwelthaftungsrecht“, in UMWELTSCHUTZ DURCH INTERNATIONALES HAFTUNGSRECHT, FORSCHUNGSBERICHT IM AUFTRAG DES UMWELTBUNDESAMTES, BAND 7/98, Erich Schmidt Verlag Berlin (C. Langenfeld, R. Wolfrum eds. 1999)

“Environmental Liability Legislation in the United States”, in ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BY MEANS OF INTERNATIONAL LIABILITY LAW, BERICHTE DES BUNDESUMWELTAMTES (REPORTS OF THE GERMAN FEDERAL ENVIRONMENT AGENCY), vol. 6/99, Erich Schmidt Verlag Berlin (C. Langenfeld, R. Wolfrum eds. 1999), 261

Protection, Not Protectionism: Multilateral Environmental Agreements and the GATT, 26 Vanderbilt J. Transnat'l L. 437 (1993)

(with Volker Röben) To Abduct or To Extradite: Does a Treaty Beg the Question? The Alvarez-Machain Decision in U.S. Domestic Law and International Law, 53 Zeitschrift für ausländisches öffentliches Recht und Völkerrecht/Heidelberg Journal of International Law 657 (1993), cited by the German Constitutional Court (3. Kammer des 2. Senats), Ent. v. 19.10.1994 - 2BvR 435/87

Legal Protections for the Environment in Times of Armed Conflict, 33 Va. J. Int'l L. 352 (1993)

Eliciting Non-Party Compliance with Multilateral Environmental Treaties: U.S. Legislation and the Jurisdictional Bases for Compliance Incentives in the Montreal Ozone Protocol, 35 Germ. Y.B. Int'l L. 333 (1992)

Minding the Earth: Global Standards and Domestic Law, 49 Bench & Bar. Minn., May-June 14 (1992)

Constructing Justice: Theories of the Subject in Law and Literature, 75 Minn. L. Rev. 581 (1991)

### **Book Reviews, Editorial Work, Shorter Pieces, Weblog**

Review of Yoshifumi Tanaka, A DUAL APPROACH TO OCEAN GOVERNANCE: THE CASES OF ZONAL AND INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT IN INTERNATIONAL LAW OF THE SEA, in: 14 Ocean and Coastal Law Journal (2008) 147-154

Forthcoming - Book Review: Syma Ebbin, SEA CHANGE: THE EEZ AND GOVERNANCE INSTITUTIONS FOR LIVING MARINE RESOURCES, in: Ocean and Coastal Law Journal, publication expected November 2009

Forthcoming - "The Hague Peace Conferences", and "Regional Seas", two entries in R. Bernhardt, R. Wolfrum / Max-Planck-Institute for Comparative and Public International Law (eds), ENCYCLOPEDIA OF PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW (Elsevier Science Ltd), publication expected 2009

Book Review: Ernst-Wolfgang Böckenförde, GESCHICHTE DER RECHTS- UND STAATSPHILOSOPHIE ANTIKE UND MITTELALTER, Mohr Siebeck 2002, in 3 German Law Journal, No. 12 - December 2002, <http://www.germanlawjournal.com/print.php?id=234>

Editor for Legal Culture, [www.germanlawjournal.com](http://www.germanlawjournal.com), an English language online journal on legal developments in German, international and European law

Assistant General Editor, *LIBER AMICORUM* FOR JUDGE SHIGERU ODA, (N. Ando, R. Wolfrum, E. McWhinney eds. 2002), Kluwer Law International, 2 volumes

"Transboundary Environmental Cooperation. Prior Information/ Consultation/Environmental Impact Assessment", in: G. Händl (ed. 1996)/J. Brunnée & E. Hey (eds. 1997-2002), Yearbook of International Environmental Law, volumes 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, Oxford 1996-2002

"Liberating Taiwan: Peaceful Offensive or Armed Might" (with Kong Qingjiang), Harvard Asian Law Journal 2000, 32-35 <http://www.fas.harvard.edu/~asiactr/haq/200004/0004a006.htm>

“East Germany’s Reckoning with the Past”, *Wall Street Journal Europe*, 10 November 1999

Shorter pieces:

- Artic Mapping and the Law of the Sea, weblog, An ongoing look at the law-science interface in shaping arctic policy, the mapping of the arctic continental shelf and the development of norms for effective governance of the arctic and its natural resources. <http://arctic-healy-baker-2008.blogspot.com/>
- United Nations Volunteers, note for UNITED NATIONS HANDBOOK (R. Wolfrum ed. 1995)
- NAFTA and Freshwater, U.S. Water News, October 1994
- Book review of THE EFFECTIVENESS OF INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENTS (P. Sand ed. 1992), 87 Am.J.Int'l L. 198 (1994)
- Book review of Frederic L. Kirgis, Jr., INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THEIR LEGAL SETTING, 2d ed. (1993), in Am. Soc. Int'l L. Interest Group on Int'l Organizations Newsletter, No. 1 (1994)
- Assistant Editor, volumes 34 (1992) and 35 (1993), German Yearbook of International Law

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**International Ocean Institute** Training Programme on Ocean Governance -- Policy, Law and Management, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia

- Lecturer on Ocean Governance and Architecture of the Law of the Sea, June 2005

#### **Memberships**

- American Friends of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation
- American Geophysical Union
- American Society of Comparative Law
- American Society of International Law, Current service: Legal Education Advisory Committee
- Association of American Law Schools
- Bar Admissions: Minnesota 1982; U.S. District Court (Minn.) 1983

#### **Community Service**

- Casey Family Services, NH, respite foster care provider since 2007
- The Frost Place, Franconia, NH, Trustee, The Robert Frost home and museum, since 2006
- Hennepin County Bar Association Legal Services, Board of Directors 1983-1994

Languages: English mother tongue, fluent German, functional French  
U.S. Citizen

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