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EDUCATION

- **Ph.D.** (Doctorate of Law), McGill University, Institute of Comparative Law, Montreal, Canada, supervised by Prof. Armand de Mestral.
Thesis title: "Rethinking the World Trade Order: Towards a Better Legal Understanding of the Role of Regionalism in the Multilateral Trade Regime". (2009)
- **Independent Studies in international economic law** under Prof. Georges LeBel, Université du Québec à Montréal, Département des sciences juridiques, (2008).
- **LL.M.** (Master of Law) in International Law and International Trade Law, Fordham University-School of Law, New York, NY, U.S.A. 5/2003.
- **LL.B.** University of Jordan-School of Law, Amman, Jordan, 8/2001.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Associate, Ali Sharif Zubi, Legal Consultants P.C., Amman, Jordan 7/ 2009- present

- Assisting a global nuclear power company in negotiating exploration and mining concession agreements with the Government of Jordan (ongoing).
- Advising international aviation companies on various transactions in Jordan.
- Assisting in drafting the upcoming Jordanian Public Private Partnership Law in collaboration with the law firm of *Gide Loryette Noulle*, Paris office.
- Advising the Government of Jordan regarding several international agreements including the U.N. Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods and several other World Trade Organization agreements.

Lecturer, University of Jordan, Faculty of Law, Amman, Jordan, 9/ 2009 – present

- Teaching commercial and international trade regulations.
- Researching contemporary comparative law issues.

Faculty Lecturer, McGill University, Faculty of Law, 2007/2008

- Taught comparative Islamic legal theories.
- Supervised research on contemporary comparative law issues.

Research Assistant, Prof. Armand de Mestral, McGill Institute of Comparative Law, 5/2005- 10/2008

- Worked on the Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) research project on regional trade agreements.
- Drafted and edited articles on various international trade law topics.
- Provided research assistance on a wide range of issues in international trade law.

- Managed and maintained a website on regional trade agreements: www.ptas.mcgill.ca.

Articling Lawyer, *Alston & Bird LLP*, New York

9/2003 – 2/2004

- Supported lawyers' work and research efforts on Middle Eastern and Islamic Law.
- Conducted research on different legal topics including merges and acquisitions.
- Drafted memoranda, motions and complaints.

Research Assistant, Prof. Chantal Thomas, Fordham University School of Law

1/2003 – 5/2003

- Assisted with research, editing, and formatting of articles.
- Provided research assistance on a wide range of issues such as contract and commercial law.

PUBLICATIONS

- Article: "Fundamental Facets in the U.S.-Jordan Free Trade Agreement: E-commerce, Dispute Resolution and beyond", (2004) 27 *Fordham International Law Journal*, 742.
- Article, "The Perspective of U.S. Courts on the Decision of the WIPO's Arbitration Center regarding Domain names: The Latest Developments", (2006) *ADR & the Law*, 20th ed. American Arbitration Association with *Fordham Urban Law Journal*. & *Fordham International Law Journal*, 190.
- Article: "Regional Trade Agreements in the Globalization Era" (2008) 33 *the North Carolina Journal of International Law and Commercial Regulation*, 360.
- Book: *Rethinking the World Trade Order*, (Sidestone Press, the Netherlands: 2010).
- Article: "Theoretical Reflections on Free Trade", the *EJSS* [forthcoming]

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- President of the Graduate Law Students Association, McGill University Faculty of Law 2006-2008
- *Fordham International Law Review*, Staff Member, 9/2002- 7/2003.
- Fordham University, Student Bar Association Representative, 9/2002- 5/2003.
- Member of the Young International Arbitration Group (YIAG), London International Court of Arbitration.
- Volunteer at McGill University's International Students' Office.
- Lectured in Constitutional Law Classes at Fordham University, School of Political Science (2003).
- Lectured on topics such as Legal Methodology, Foundations of Canadian Law, Legal Traditions, and Theoretical Approaches to the Law at McGill University, Faculty of Law.

CONFERENCES AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- University of Toronto Law School, "Mapping Emergent Terrains, Contesting Rigidified Traditions in International Law", January 11-12, 2008 (presentation title: "Regionalism and Multilateralism: Partners or Rivals?").
- McGill University, Faculty of Law, "The Gulf Economic Potential" March 3, 2008 (presentation title: "The Feasibility of a Free Trade Agreement in the Middle East).
- York University, Osgoode Hall Law School, *Quo Vadis Constitution?: The Boundaries of Modern*

Law” May 9-10, 2008 (presentation title: “Regional Free Trade in the Middle East: A Viable Endeavour or a Hopeless Case?”).

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Fee Waiver from McGill University.
- Recipient of the McGill Graduate Studies Scholarship.

LANGUAGES

- Fluent in English, Arabic and very good in French.

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

- New York State Bar Exam: successful completion of the Multistate Professional Responsibility Exam (MPRE). New York and Multistate sections to be completed.

REFERENCES

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