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**EDUCATION**

- Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Law Faculty (Israel)** **LL.D. July 2014**
- *Doctoral Dissertation Topic:* Reconciliation Impact of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda
  - *Supervisor:* Prof. Yuval Shany, Dean of Law and Member of UN Human Rights Committee
- Columbia University, School of Law (New York)** **LL.M. May 2003**  
(with Honors)
- *Concentrations:* Human Rights Law, IHL, ICL, Refugee Law
  - *Awards:* Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar, Parker School Certificate in Foreign and Comparative Law, Columbia University School of Law Admission Grant
- College of Management, School of Law (Israel)** **LL.B. Mar. 2000**  
(with Honors)
- *Awards:* Dean's List; Excellency Scholarship
  - *Special activities:* Moot Court Member (ranked top 10%); Law Review

**ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

- University of Haifa, Minerva Center for the Rule of Law under Extreme Conditions (Israel)** **Oct. 2014 - Present**  
*Research Fellow*
- Research the relationship between rule of law and transitional justice.
- Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Truman Institute for the Advancement of Peace (Israel)** **Oct. 2013 - Present**  
*Research Fellow (Yitzhak Rabin Scholar 2013-2014)*
- Research the applicability of transitional justice frameworks to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.
- Tel Aviv University, Minerva Center for Human Rights (Israel)** **Oct. 2013 - Present**  
*Transitional Justice Project Manager*
- Develop courses, conferences, research and community projects on transitional justice.
  - Direct a transitional justice study trip to South Africa for Israeli and Palestinian students.
  - Fundraising, grant writing, budgeting, reporting to funders on project progress.
- Hadassah Academic College, Politics and Communications Department (Israel)** **Feb. 2014 - Aug. 2014**  
*Adjunct Lecturer*
- Developed and taught a BA course on Election and Party Law.
- Hebrew University, Minerva Center for Human Rights (Israel)** **Oct. 2009 - Sept. 2013**  
*Transitional Justice Project Manager*
- Directed workshops combining class work with study trips to Rwanda and Tanzania.
  - Developed courses, conferences, internships, and clinical projects on transitional justice.
  - Fundraising, grant writing, budgeting, reporting to funders on project progress.
- College of Management, Concord Legal Research Center (Israel)** **Oct. 2004 – Apr. 2005**  
*Research Fellow*
- Examined the compatibility of Israeli law with the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court
  - Drafted the ICL chapter of the Hebrew-language textbook International Law between War and Peace by O. Ben Naftali and Y. Shany (2006) *המשפט הבינלאומי בין מלחמה לשלום, אורנה בן-נפתלי ויובל שני*
- College of Management, School of Law (Israel)** **Nov. 1998 – Jan. 2002**  
*Teaching Assistant*
- Assisted Profs Y. Shany and O. Ben-Naftali in teaching courses on International Law and Legal Research.
  - Co-coached teams participating in the Jessup Moot Court in Washington DC.

## **PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE**

- UN International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda** (Tanzania) **Apr. 2005 – Apr. 2008**  
*Legal Officer, Chambers*
- Researched legal issues, analyzed evidence, drafted judicial decisions in connection with international trials against former Rwandan leaders accused of genocide, crimes against humanity, and war crimes.
  - Managed a team of legal assistants, organized judicial visits to Rwanda.
- Special Court for Sierra Leone** (Sierra Leone/The Hague) **2003-2004, 2010, 2013**  
*Legal Consultant, Office of the Prosecutor*
- Analyzed evidence, advised on legal issues, and drafted submissions on behalf of the Prosecutor in the war-crimes trial of former Liberian President Charles Taylor (Mar.-Aug. 2010, Oct. 2013).
  - Drafted legal submissions and prepared witnesses for trial, in connection with the prosecution of Sierra Leonean rebel leaders for crimes against humanity and war crimes (Nov. 2003-Aug. 2004).
- United Nations, Office of Legal Affairs** (New York) **Jan. 2003 – June 2003**  
*Legal Extern*
- Researched legal issues related to the UN-backed Extraordinary Chambers in Cambodia, created to try Khmer Rouge leaders for genocide and crimes against humanity.
- Human Rights Watch** (New York) **Sept. 2002 – Dec. 2002**  
*Legal Intern*
- Researched and advised on legal issues related to the UN-backed Special Court for Sierra Leone.
  - Researched issues pertaining to the Milošević trial at the International Criminal Tribunal for ex-Yugoslavia.
- Ministry of Justice, International Affairs Dept** (Israel) **Sept. 2000 – Sept. 2001**  
*Law Clerk (Stagier)*
- Handled requests for extradition, int'l legal assistance, and resolution of transnational parental abduction cases.
  - Researched legal issues related to Belgian proceedings against Israeli PM Ariel Sharon.
  - Assisted an investigation into atrocities committed in Argentina during 1976-1983.
  - Participated in negotiating an extradition treaty with an African country.
- Lehman Brothers Investment Bank Inc.** (Israel) **June 1995 – Mar. 2000**  
*Intern Analyst*
- Reported to the Bank's financial departments in London and NY on the Bank's operations in Israel.
  - Prepared presentations of the Bank's activities and market share in Israel.
- Israeli Defense Forces, Headquarters** **Dec. 1992 – May 1995**  
*Officer (Lieutenant)*
- Served as Deputy to the Chief of Human Resources in the Army's Logistics Division.
  - Ensured education, promotions, and financial benefits for over 1,000 Division officers.
  - Managed a team of 5 subordinates.
- OTHER ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIPS**
- Member of the New York Bar (since 2005)
  - Member of the Israeli Bar (since 2001)
  - Member of the American Society of International Law (since 2012)
  - Founding Member of ALMA - Association for the Promotion of International Humanitarian Law.
  - Member of Abraham Fund Slifka Forum for a Shared Society Among Jews and Arabs in Israel.
  - Speaker at NGO and UN trainings on human rights, transitional justice, and international law.
  - Contributor to TV and radio shows on human rights, transitional justice, and international law.
  - Peer-reviewer for law journals (inc Int'l J. for Criminal Justice, Leiden J. of Int'l Law and Israel Law Review).
  - Organizing Committee Member, Conference on the Rwandan Genocide, Open University (2014).
  - Organizing Committee Member, Transitional Justice Conference, Tel Aviv University (2014).
  - Organizing Committee Member, Transitional Justice Conferences, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (2011-2013).

## AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- Prize for Distinguished Academic Work, Israeli Law and Society Association (2014).
- Rabin Scholarship, Harry S. Truman Research Institute for the Advancement of Peace (2013-2014).
- Arthur Helton Fellowship, American Society of International Law (2013).
- Vodoz Prize, Institute of Contemporary Jewry, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (2012).
- PhD Scholarship, Research Group on Effective International Adjudication directed by Prof. Yuval Shany and funded by a European Research Council Starting Grant for Frontier Research (2009-2013).
- Nathan and Judith Feinberg Grant for Advancement of International Legal Scholarship (2005).
- Transitional Justice Sponsorship, Center for Civil and Human Rights, Notre Dame University (2003).
- Stone Scholarship for Achievements at Columbia University Law School (2003).
- Parker School Recognition in Comparative and International Law (2003).
- Sarlo Émigré Youth Scholarship (2003).
- College of Management Excellency Scholarship (1998-1999).

## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer Reviewed Journals

- ‘How International Courts Shape Domestic Justice: Lessons from Rwanda and Sierra Leone’, 46 *Israel Law Review* 339 (2013).
- ‘Judicial Independence in The Hague and Freetown: A Tale of Two Cities’, 21 *Leiden Journal of International Law* 113 (2008) - with Y. Shany.

### Book Chapters

- ‘The International Criminal Court’, in Yuval Shany, *Assessing the Effectiveness of International Courts: A Goal-Based Approach* (OUP, 2014) – with Y. Shany & G. Noam.
- ‘The Role of Victims’, in *International Criminal Procedure: The Interface of Civil Law and Common Law Legal Systems* (Eds. L. Carter & F. Pocar, Edward Elgar Publishing, 2013).
- ‘The Impact of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and the Special Court for Sierra Leone on Impunity in Rwanda and Sierra Leone’, in *Africa and the Future of International Criminal Justice* (Ed. Vincent Nhemielle, Eleven International Publishing, 2012).
- ‘Transitional Criminal Justice in Sierra Leone’, in *Beyond Truth Versus Justice: Transitional Justice in the Twenty First Century* (Eds. N. Roht-Arriaza & J. Mariezcurrena, CUP, 2006).

### DOMAC Research Reports\*

- ‘Sudan: Interaction between International and National Responses to Mass Atrocities in Darfur’ (2013), [DOMAC/19](#)
- ‘Uganda: Interaction between International and National Responses to the Mass Atrocities’ (2013), [DOMAC/18](#)
- ‘DR Congo: Interaction between International and National Responses to the Mass Atrocities’ (2012), [DOMAC/14](#)
- ‘Rwanda: International and National Responses to the Mass Atrocities and their Interaction’ (2010), [DOMAC/6](#)
- ‘Sierra Leone: Interaction between International and National Responses to the Mass Atrocities’ (2009), [DOMAC/3](#)

\* The DOMAC project was conducted under the EU 7th Framework Programme; all publications under the project were reviewed and approved by a steering committee and a scientific committee of top international law scholars.

### Conference Proceedings

- S. Horovitz, “Accountability of the Hamas under International Humanitarian Law”, in *Israel’s Right to Self-Defense: International Law and Gaza* (Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs, 2012).
- S. Horovitz, “Teaching about Legal Responses to Genocide and other Mass Atrocities”, in *16 Years After the Genocide Perpetrated Against the Tutsi: Handling its Consequences* (CNLG, Rwanda, 2011).

### Op-Eds & Media Articles

- [Can Israelis Sue Khaled Mashal for Killing Collaborators?](#) The Minerva Center for the Rule of Law under Extreme Conditions, University of Haifa (in Hebrew), 16 Sept. 2014
- [Reopen Old Wounds: Faraway Nepal, Faraway Reconciliation](#) (in Hebrew; with T. Luster), ynet.co.il, 2 July 2014
- [No They Can’t Sue Palestine at the ICC](#), timesofisrael.com, 8 May 2014

- [How Israel Can Lawfully Avoid an ICC Investigation into the West Bank Settlements](#), Opinio Juris, 3 March 2013
- [Think Different: Why Israel should join the ICC](#), Israel Democracy Institute (in Hebrew), 17 Jan. 2013

### **RECENT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:**

- “International Justice, Penalty Reform, and Reconciliation in Rwanda”, New Practices of Transnational Criminal Law, Centre of Excellence for International Courts, Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen, 27-28 Nov. 2014
- “Strategizing for Transitional Justice: Civil Society’s Role in Promoting Transitional Justice”, Transitional Justice Conference, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 18-19 May 2014.
- “Transitional Justice Networks: Lessons from Argentina, Congo, the Balkans and Israel”, Conference on Judging Human Rights Violations - Pondering Past and Future after Kiobel, Tel Aviv University law faculty, 15-16 Dec. 2013.
- “Has the ICTR Achieved Reconciliation?”, Conference on the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, University of Johannesburg, 31 Oct.-1 Nov. 2013.
- “Prisoner Releases in Peace Processes”, Conference on Security Prisoners and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict, Truman Institute for the Advancement of Peace, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 23 Oct. 2013.
- “Can Genocide Trials Promote National Reconciliation?”, Conference on Genocide and Identity in Honor of Prof Yair Auron, Open University of Israel, 18 June 2013.
- “Political Research Challenges in Post-Conflict Societies”, Conference on Field Work in Africa, Ben Gurion U., 10 June 2013.
- “Recognition and Reconciliation as Conditions for Participation of Arabs in the Israeli Society”, Alan B. Slifka Forum for a Shared Society Among Jews and Arabs in Israel, 23-24 May 2013.
- Think Different: Why Israel Should Join the ICC Rome Statute, ALMA-IDC Joint IHL Forum, Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya, 7 Jan. 2013 (notes published [here](#) on 10 Feb. 2013).
- “The Or Commission: A Missed Opportunity for Transitional Justice in Israel?”, Transitional Justice Conference, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 28-30 Oct. 2012.
- “Domestic Impact: The Hybrid SCSL Compared to Pure International Tribunals”, Conference on the Special Court for Sierra Leone, University of Pittsburgh, 19-21 Apr. 2012.
- “Transitional Justice Networks: What Israel can learn from the Balkans, DRC and Argentina”, Symposium on Historical Reconciliation in Israel/Palestine, EUI, Florence, 20-22 Mar. 2012.
- “The ICC’s Contribution to Transitional Justice in Active Conflicts”, Transitional Justice Conference, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 13-15 Nov. 2011.

### **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

- English (advanced); Spanish (advanced); Hebrew (mother tongue); French (intermediate); Swahili (basic).