

SARA ZAMPIERIN

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EDUCATION

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, Juris Doctor, *cum laude*, 2011
Editor-in-Chief, Harvard Human Rights Journal

RICE UNIVERSITY, Bachelor of Arts, *magna cum laude*, in Mathematical Economic Analysis, Policy Studies, and Managerial Studies, 2007

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Fort Worth, TX
Instructional Associate Professor of Law and Clinic Director, 2022-present
Courses Taught: Civil Rights Clinic (beginning Spring 2023)

Direct Civil Rights Clinic. Supervise students providing support to organizations and individual clients on civil rights matters, including both litigation and community advocacy projects.

YALE LAW SCHOOL, New Haven, CT

Robert M. Cover Clinical Teaching Fellow, Clinical Lecturer in Law, and Research Scholar in Law, 2020-2022
Courses Taught: Worker and Immigrant Rights Advocacy Clinic Seminar (Fall 2020-Spring 2022); Introduction to Legal Analysis and Writing (Fall 2020, Fall 2021)

Co-supervised students in Worker and Immigrant Rights Advocacy Clinic. Supported local community organizations and unions, including counseling and educating on existing law, engaging in legislative and administrative advocacy, and identifying other opportunities for advocacy to meet organizations' goals. Litigated cases including class action challenges to immigration detention, wage-and-hour and race discrimination claims for low-wage workers, Federal Tort Claims Act and federal disability claims for mistreatment in detention, immigration removal defense, and affirmative immigration benefit proceedings.

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP

HONORABLE KEITH P. ELLISON, U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, Houston, TX
Law Clerk, 2011-2012

WORK EXPERIENCE

SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER, Montgomery, AL

Senior Supervising Attorney, 2017-2020; *Senior Staff Attorney*, 2015-2017; *Staff Attorney*, 2012-2015

Founding member of Economic Justice Project, created to address policies and practices that exploit or punish individuals because of their economic status. Designed and executed litigation and policy strategies to effect reform in three core areas: (1) court practices that punish those in poverty, including collection of fines and fees, use of private probation companies, money bail systems, and driver's license suspension; (2) consumer protection, including wage garnishment and predatory lending; and (3) access to public benefits. Managed project teams and supervised outreach staff, attorneys, law fellows, and legal interns.

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA LEGAL SERVICES, New Orleans, LA

Extern, January 2011

Drafted trial court and appellate briefing for tenants facing eviction and homeowners denied federal funding to rebuild homes in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Analyzed legality of lease provisions. Drafted brochures detailing tenants' rights and responsibilities.

CENTER FOR JUSTICE AND ACCOUNTABILITY, San Francisco, CA

Intern, Summer 2010

Drafted memoranda and briefing in litigation to hold individuals accountable for human rights abuses. Drafted press releases and op-eds.

INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS CLINIC, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA

Clinical Student, Spring 2010, Fall 2011, Spring 2011

Drafted briefs and reports and engaged in legal and factual research to promote human rights. Investigated conditions in Panamanian detention facilities, wrote report, and presented findings to U.N. committee. Worked on advocacy and litigation regarding abuse by mental health professionals in Guantánamo.

EARTHRIGHTS INTERNATIONAL, Washington, DC

Extern, January 2010

Drafted pleadings and briefing in litigation to hold corporations accountable for human rights abuses. Conducted research to evaluate possibility of bringing corporate accountability suit in another country.

IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE CLINIC, GREATER BOSTON LEGAL SERVICES, Boston, MA

Clinical Student, Fall 2009

Represented victims of human rights abuses in applications for asylum and other related protections. Conducted client interviews, prepared affidavits and testimony, gathered evidence, and drafted briefs.

CENTRO DE IMPLEMENTACIÓN DE POLÍTICAS PÚBLICAS PARA LA EQUIDAD Y EL CRECIMIENTO, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Intern, Summer 2009

Conducted research and wrote report for provincial governments of Argentina regarding ensuring access to quality education.

PUBLICATIONS

Mass E-Carceration: Electronic Monitoring as a Bail Condition, 2023 Utah L. Rev. (forthcoming)

Foreword: Innocent Until Proven Poor, 21 MICH. J. RACE & L. 183 (2016)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Wasserstein Public Interest Fellow, Harvard Law School (2017)

Baker College Service Award (2007)

H. Russell Pitman Award in Managerial Studies (2007)

John P. Hansen Award in Managerial Studies (2006)

CONFERENCES AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Economic Justice in the Courts Summit, Southern Poverty Law Center, Organizer (2016, 2018, 2020)

Affirmative Litigation of Criminal Justice Debt Abuses – Theory and Practice, National Consumer Law Center (2018)

Annual Meeting, American Association of Law Schools, Panelist: Constitutional Law and Poverty Law Joint Program (2017)

Class Action Conference, Impact Fund, Panelist: Debtors' Prison and the Trap of Municipal Fines (2017)

Civil Rights Étouffée, Federal Bar Association, Panelist: For-Profit Policing: Fines, Fees, and Forfeitures (2017)

Alabama Municipal Court Seminar, Speaker: Where Do We Go from Here? (2017)

Innocent Until Proven Poor Symposium, Michigan Law School, Panelist: Profiting Off the Poor (2016)

SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE

Amy Yurnakin, *Private probation losing ground in Alabama, but holdouts remain*, AL.COM, Nov. 9, 2017

Kelsey Davis, *Advocates hope judge's suspension sends message*, MONTGOMERY ADVERTISER, Nov. 24, 2016

Alabama judge orders defendants to give blood to avoid jail, BBC, Oct. 20, 2015

Campbell Robertson, *For Offenders Who Can't Pay, It's a Pint of Blood or Jail Time*, N.Y. TIMES, Oct. 19, 2015

Gigi Douban, *Fines, fees add up when probation services go private*, MARKETPLACE, Aug. 7, 2015

Sarah Stillman, *Get Out of Jail, Inc.*, NEW YORKER, June 23, 2014

BAR ADMISSIONS

State: Alabama; Connecticut; Florida

Federal: U.S. Courts of Appeals for the First, Sixth, and Eleventh Circuits; U.S. District Courts for the Middle and Northern Districts of Alabama, District of Connecticut, and Southern District of Florida

LANGUAGE

Spanish (Intermediate proficiency)