

JOSEPH M. ISANGA

EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO COLLEGE OF LAW

Associate Professor of Law

August 2023 - Present

UNIVERSITY OF TULSA COLLEGE OF LAW

Visiting Associate Professor of Law

August 2021-May 2023

COURSES CURRENTLY TAUGHT: Secured Transactions, Corporate Law, Agency & Partnership, Torts.
OTHER COURSE TAUGHT: Contracts, Bankruptcy, Professional Responsibility, International Law,
International Business Transactions, Jurisprudence, International Human Rights, Writing for the Bar
Exam & Bar Exam Planning

FACULTY GOVERNANCE & SERVICE: Academic Status and Student Affairs; Curriculum Committee

RESEARCH AREAS: Personal Injury Law, International Law & International Human Rights (with
particular focus on the rights of women and the rule of law in Africa)

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Visiting Professor of Law

July 2020-May 2021

COURSES: Contracts & Professional Responsibility

RESEARCH AREAS: International Law & International Human Rights (with particular focus on the
rights of women and the rule of law in Africa)

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Boise, Idaho

Professor of Law (Tenured)

2015-2020

COURSES: Contracts, Secured Transactions (UCC 9), Bankruptcy, International Law, International
Human Rights, Writing for the Bar Exam & Bar Exam Planning

FACULTY GOVERNANCE & SERVICE: Chair, Appointments Committee; Chair, Diversity & Inclusion
Committee; Member, Research & Scholarship Committee; Member, Adjunct Training & Supervision
Committee; Member, Faculty Affairs Committee; Member, Non-J.D. Graduate Program Committee

UNIVERSITY OF PADOVA, SCUOLA GALILEIANA DI STUDI SUPERIORI, Padua, Italy

Visiting Professor

Spring 2015

COURSE: Regional Protection of Human Rights

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME, KELLOGG INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, South Bend, Indiana

Faculty Guest Scholar

Jan.-Dec. 2014

RESPONSIBILITIES: Conducted research focused on the rule of law, democracy and development in
Africa.

AVE MARIA SCHOOL OF LAW, Naples, Florida

Associate Professor of Law

2007-2014

COURSES: International Law; International Business Transactions; Jurisprudence; Law, Ethics &
Public Policy; & Moral Foundations of Law

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME, CENTER FOR CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS, NOTRE DAME LAW SCHOOL, South Bend, Indiana

Postdoctoral Research Associate

2006-2007

RESPONSIBILITIES: Advised and taught LL.M students with a particular focus on international law and
international human rights.

AWARDS

Outstanding Upper-Class Professor Award 2022-2023 – University of Tulsa College of Law
Outstanding Visiting Professor Award 2021-2022 – University of Tulsa College of Law

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME, South Bend, Indiana

Juridical Sciences Doctorate (J.S.D)., *summa cum laude*, May 2006

Honors & Awards: Recipient of University of Notre Dame's Doctor of Juridical Sciences Fellowship (2004-2005)

Doctoral Dissertation: *Implementing International Human Rights in National Legislation: A Case Study of Law and Religion in Uganda* (Lambert Academic Publishing, 2013)

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME, South Bend, Indiana

Master of Laws (LL.M.), *summa cum laude*, May 2004

Honors & Awards: Recipient of University of Notre Dame's Master of Laws Fellowship (2003-2004)

LAW DEVELOPMENT CENTER, Kampala, Uganda

Bar (Diploma in Legal Practice), April 2004

Honors & Awards: Uganda Law Society's Top National Pupil Attorney

MAKERERE UNIVERSITY, Kampala, Uganda

Bachelor of Laws (LL. B.), *summa cum laude*, January 2003

Honors & Awards: Top Law School Student (graduated first in class)

MAKERERE UNIVERSITY, Kampala, Uganda

Bachelor of Divinity, *summa cum laude*, January 1995

Honors: Graduated first in class

PONTIFICAL URBAN UNIVERSITY, Rome, Italy

Bachelor of Philosophy, *magna cum laude*, May 1990

PUBLICATIONS

The Intolerably Slow Implementation of African Women's Rights and Its Impact on African Economic Development, 31.2 MICH. ST. INT'L L. REV. 191(2023), <https://doi.org/10.17613/m6yf-7180>.

The U.S. Withdraws: Impact on the U.S. and International Rule of Law, 32 FLA. J. INT'L L. 215 (2020)

Resurgent Cold War and U.N. Security Council Reform Opportunities, 47 DENV. J. INT'L L. & POL'Y 73 (2018-2019)

Book Chapter: *Pembangunan, dan Hak-Hak Asasi Manusia: Perspektif Afrika dan Katolik*, in KATA BERSAMA (Gadjah Mada University Press 2019)

Philippines v. China Aftermath: Rule of Law and Legitimacy Under Assault, 45 SYRACUSE J. INT'L L. & COM. 147 (2018)

African Judicial Review, The Use of Comparative African Jurisprudence, and the Judicialization of Politics, 49 GEO. WASH. INT'L L. REV. 749 (2017) (lead article)

Rule of Law and African Development, 42 N.C. J. INT'L L. 730 (2017)

Doctoral Dissertation: *Implementing International Human Rights in National Legislation: A Case Study of Law and Religion in Uganda* (Lambert Academic Publishing 2013)

The Constitutive Act of the African Union, African Courts and the Protection of Human Rights: New Dispensation? 11 SANTA CLARA J. INT'L L. 267 (2013)

The International Criminal Court Ten Years Later: Appraisal and Prospects, 21 CARDOZO J. INT'L & COMP. L. 235 (2012)

Surging Intercountry Adoptions in Africa: Paltry Domestication of International Standards, 27 BYU J. PUB. L. 229 (2012)

Foundations of Human Rights and Development: A Critique of African Human Rights Instruments, 11 AVE MARIA L. REV. 123 (2012)

Rethinking the Rule of Law as Antidote to African Development Challenges, a book chapter in *Legitimacy, Legal Development & Change: Law & Modernization Reconsidered* (Ashgate Publishing Ltd, UK 2012)

Response to Philip Blosser, a book chapter in *St. Paul, The Natural Law, and Contemporary Legal Theory* (eds. Jane Adolphe, Robert Fastiggi, and Michael Vacca, Lexington Books 2012)

Book Chapter: *The Role of International Actors in Promoting Rule of Law in Uganda*, in *GLOBALIZING JUSTICE: CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES ON TRANSNATIONAL LAW AND THE CROSS-BORDER MIGRATION OF LEGAL NORMS* (ed. David Linnan, Sunny Publishers 2010)

Triadic Contest for Africa-U.S.A., the European Union, and China: Implications for International Human Rights and Democracy, 3 NORTHWESTERN INTERDISCIPLINARY L. REV. 175 (2010)

Book Chapter: *African Perspectives on Theory and Application of a Common Word*, in *MUSLIM AND CHRISTIAN UNDERSTANDING: THEORY AND APPLICATION OF "A COMMON WORD"* (eds. Waleed El-Ansary, David Linnan) (Palgrave Macmillan, 2010)

Mulieris Dignitatem, Ephesians 5 and Domestic Violence: Grounding International Women's Human Rights, 8 AVE MARIA L. REV. 405 (2010)

Countering Persistent Contemporary Sea Piracy: Expanding Jurisdictional Regimes, 59 AM. U. L. REV. 1267 (2009-2010)

African Courts and Separation of Powers: Comparative Study of Judicial Review in Uganda & South Africa, 2 NW. INTERDISC. L. REV. 69-102 (2009)

Kenya's Kadhi's Court: An International Human Rights Perspective, INT'L COMMISSION OF JURISTS (Kenya Section) (2009-2010)

Counter-Terrorism and Human Rights: The Emergence of a Rule of Customary International Law from United Nations Resolutions, 37 DENV. J. INT'L L. & POL'Y 233-256 (2008-2009)

**SPEAKING
ENGAGEMENTS**

Law & Economics Training, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School, Law & Economics Center, Arlington, Virginia (June 2019)

The Refugee Crisis, Concordia University School of Law, Boise, Idaho (September 2015)

African Women's Economic Rights: The Impact of Customary Law and Nascent Rule of Law, Rudolph C. Barnes Sr. Symposium on Legitimacy, Economic Development and Change, University of South Carolina School of Law, Columbia, South Carolina (April 2012)

Constitutional Courts and the Judicialization of Politics in Sub-Saharan Africa, The Judicialization of Politics from International and Comparative Perspectives, University of California, Irvine, California (July 2011)

The Common Word, Development and Human Rights: African and Catholic Perspectives, Rudolph C. Barnes, Sr. Symposium on Legitimacy, Economic Development and Change, University of South Carolina School of Law, Columbia, South Carolina (March, 2009)

Interview: Jeff Gardner, *U.S. Case Against Holy See May Go Forward, Court Rules*, National Catholic Register (December 2008)

Triadic Contest for Africa-U.S.A., European Union, China-: Implications for International Human Rights and Democracy, Rudolph C. Barnes, Sr. Symposium on Legitimacy, Economic Development and Change at University of South Carolina School of Law, Columbia, South Carolina (January 2008)

United Nations Resolutions Relative to Efforts Aimed at Combating International Terrorism: An Emerging Norm of Customary International Law and Jus Cogens, Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, New York, New York (January 2008)

The Humanitarian Crisis in Post-Conflict Northern Uganda, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee (November 2007)

International Human Rights Panel, International Restorative Justice Conference, Marquette University Law School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin (November 2006)

Current Human Rights and Governance Issues in Africa: Making Progress, Valparaiso University School of Law, Valparaiso, Indiana (April 2006)

Role of the International Criminal Court in the Northern Uganda Conflict, Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana (March 2006)

The Role of Judicial Review in an Emerging Democracy: The Case of Uganda Courts of Judicial Review, Globalizing Justice: Transnational Law and Processes, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona (February 2006)

Religious Liberty and Uganda, Talk on Freedom's Ring Radio (hosted by Alan Reinach, esq.) (December 2005)

The State, Law and Religion in Uganda: The Need for Cooperation Rather than Competition, International Conference on Religion in African Conflicts and Peacebuilding Initiatives: Problems and Prospects for a Globalizing Africa, The Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, Jinja, Uganda (April 2004)

Regional Human Rights Protection Mechanisms—Africa, Eckerd College, St. Petersburg, Florida, (March 2004)