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Online Form Submittal: Board and Commission Application

Sunday, January 1, 2023 1:45:00 PM

Board and Commission Application

Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

Public Statement

Committee

THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: As a candidate for a public board or commission, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All board and commission members are expected to be fair, impartial, and respectful of the public, County staff, and each other. Failure to abide by these expectations may result in revocation of appointment and removal from the appointive position.

Title	Dr.
First Name	Regina
Last Name	Jefferies
Today's Date	1/1/2023
Street Address	
City	
Zip	
Do you live in & are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?	Yes
Do you have a different mailing address?	Field not completed.
Primary Telephone	
Secondary Telephone	Field not completed.
Email Address	
Step 2	
1. Name of Board or	Climate Impact Advisory Committee

Climate Impact Advisory Committee Position:	I have previous work or educational experience in climate change.
2. Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying?	Yes
3. Which Council district do you live in?	District 1
4. Are you a US citizen?	Yes
5. Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?	Yes
6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county?	No
7. Have you ever been a member of this Board/Commission?	No
8. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County?	No
You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions	Attached

9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education	I am an Assistant Professor at Western Washington University and a Fellow of the Salish Sea Institute and Border Policy Research Institute. I am also a lawyer, licensed to practice in Arizona and New Mexico, but primarily practicing in the Federal context. I also have extensive experience in international law and laws relating to the movement of people, including movement in response to natural disasters.
10. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission	My research and professional experience focus on the study and improvement of governance in complex, transnational environments. In particular, my current Fellowships examine the effectiveness and resilience of current governance arrangements for transboundary Nooksack River flooding in Whatcom County and British Columbia, in the face of climate change impacts. Serving on this Committee would provide an opportunity for me

professional experience focus on the study and overnance in complex, transnational particular, my current Fellowships examine the resilience of current governance arrangements Nooksack River flooding in Whatcom County bia, in the face of climate change impacts. ommittee would provide an opportunity for me to implement good governance practices and recommendations on issues related to the preparation and adaptation for, and the prevention and mitigation of, impacts of climate change in

References (please include daytime telephone number): Dr. Laurie Trautman - 360.650.2642 Prof. Ceci Lopez - 360.595.3384

Signature of applicant:

Regina Jefferies

Whatcom County.

Place Signed / Submitted

Bellingham, WA

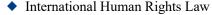
(Section Break)

REGINA JEFFERIES

Assistant Professor

Western Washington University

Fairhaven College of Interdisciplinary Studies



- ◆ Migration Law & Policy
- Sociolegal Studies
- Public International Law
- Research Methods

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Sep 2021 – PRESENT Western Washington University

Assistant Professor

Center for Law, Diversity & Justice

Fairhaven College of Interdisciplinary Studies

June 2022 – PRESENT University of New South Wales

Adjunct Lecturer Faculty of Law & Justice

Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law

June 2016 – Aug 2017 University of Minnesota

Clinical Teaching Fellow / Visiting Assistant Professor

School of Law

VISITING APPOINTMENTS

2018 – 2019 **Visiting Scholar**, UCLA Center for the Study of International Migration

EDUCATION

2017 – 2022 University of New South Wales

PhD, Global Governance, Law, & Policy (Scientia Scholar)

Reconceptualising Compliance: Street-Level Bureaucrats and the

Implementation of International Law' - Supervised by Prof Andrew Byrnes,

Prof Guy Goodwin-Gill, and Dr Claire Higgins

2008 – 2010 University of Oxford

Master of Studies (MSt), International Human Rights Law

'Safe Harbour: Advancing Legal Protections for Transgender Asylum Seekers in the United States Through International Human Rights Frameworks' –

Supervised by Prof Carolyn Patty Blum

2003 – 2005 Arizona State University

Juris Doctorate (JD)

'The Equitable Application of International Law: Revised Principles for a Solution to the Maasai Land Dispute' – Supervised by Prof Rebecca Tsosie

1999 – 2002 The George Washington University

Bachelor of Arts (BA) (cum laude), International Affairs

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Sep 2021 – Present	Law Office of Green Evans-Schroeder Of Counsel
Mar 2017 – Dec 2017	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Consultant
Apr 2012 – Sep 2021	Law Office of Regina Jefferies, PLC Principal
June 2007 – Apr 2012	Thomas & Jefferies, PLLC Partner

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

Jefferies R and Chan L, *Jefferies and Chan's Immigration Simulations: Bridge to Practice* (West Academic, 2018)

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Jefferies, R, 'Transnational Legal Process and the Cognitive Turn', invited book chapter, van Aacken, A and Hirsch, M (eds), International Legal Theory and the Cognitive Turn (in progress)

Jefferies, R, 'Street-Level Bureaucrats, Interpretation, and Implementation: A Dynamic Approach to Compliance with International Law', invited article, **Fikfak**, V and Peat, D (eds), European Journal of International Law (special issue submission – in progress)

Jefferies, R and McAdam, J, 'Locked In: Australia's COVID-19 Border Closures and the Right to Leave' (forthcoming in *Australian Yearbook of International Law*)

Jefferies, **R**, **Barrett**, **T**, **Huang**, **C** and **Bashford**, **A**, 'Regulating Movement in Pandemic Times' (invited submission to *Journal of Bioethical Inquiry*)

Jefferies, R, McAdam, J and Pillai, S, "Can We Still Call Australia Home?: The Right to Return and the Legality of Australia's COVID-19 Travel Restrictions" 27 (2) *Australian Journal of Human Rights* (https://doi.org/10.1080/1323238X.2021.1996529)

Golder, B, Hush, A, Jefferies, R, Johns, F, and Nolan, J, 'Foreword' (2021) 27 *Australian Journal of Human Rights* 399 (https://doi.org/10.1080/1323238X.2022.2039056)

Jefferies, R, 'Bringing Externalisation Home: The International Civil Aviation Organization and "Entry Screening" in Australia' (2021) *Globalizations* (https://doi.org/10.1080/14747731.2021.1989152)

Jefferies, R, 'Transnational Legal Process: An Evolving Theory and Methodology' (2021) 46(2) *Brooklyn Journal of International Law* (open access)

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Jefferies, R, Ghezelbash, D and Hirsch, A, 'Assessing Refugee Protection Claims at Australian Airports: The Gap Between Law, Policy, and Practice' (2020) 44(1) *Melbourne University Law Review* 162 (open access)

Jefferies, R, 'Data Quality and the Law of Refugee Protection in Australia' (2019) 13 Court of Conscience 63

Jefferies, **R**, 'Research Access and Adaptation in the Securitised Field of Australian Refugee and Asylum Law' (2019) 2019(1) *Journal of the Oxford Centre for Socio-Legal Studies* 49

Jefferies, R, 'One of These Things is Not Like the Other: An Analysis of Marriage Under the Immigration and Nationality Act' (2012) 3 *Law Journal for Social Justice* 47

Daniel C. Barr, et al., 'The Supreme Court of Arizona: Its 2004-2005 Decisions' (2006) 38 Arizona State Law Journal 189

Jefferies, **R**, 'The Equitable Application of International Law: Revised Principles for a Solution to the Maasai Land Dispute' (2005) 37 *Arizona State Law Journal* 973

REPORTS

Jefferies, **R**, 'Comparative perspectives on airport asylum procedures before and during the COVID-19 pandemic' (Policy Brief No 12, Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law)

Jefferies, R, Ghezelbash, D and Hirsch, A, 'Assessing Protection Claims at Airports: Developing procedures to meet international and domestic obligations' (Policy Brief No 9, Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law)

MEDIA

Jefferies, R, 'Border closures should not be Australia's default response', The Interpreter (online, 30 November 2021) https://www.lowyinstitute.org/the-interpreter/border-closures-should-not-be-australia-s-default-response

Jefferies, R and Ghezelbash, D, 'Doubling Down on Deterrence: The Biden administration's anti-asylum rhetoric harms refugees and won't win votes', Just Security (online, 22 July 2021) https://www.justsecurity.org/77529/doubling-down-on-deterrence/

Jefferies, R and McAdam, J, 'Bring them home: why we can't leave Australians stranded in India', The Sydney Morning Herald (online, 28 April 2021) https://www.smh.com.au/national/bring-them-home-both-the-law-and-moral-duty-demand-we-don-t-leave-australians-stranded-in-india-20210428-p57n5e.html

Ghezelbash, D, Hirsch, A and Jefferies, R, 'With our borders shut, this is the ideal time to overhaul our asylum seeker policies', The Conversation (online, 15 September 2020) https://theconversation.com/with-our-borders-shut-this-is-the-ideal-time-to-overhaul-our-asylum-seeker-policies-146016?utm source=twitter&utm medium=bylinetwitterbutton>

Andrew & Renata Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law with Jefferies, R, 'Australia's airport asylum process explained', YouTube (15 September 2020) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FG62PR6prYs>

Jefferies, R and, Ghezelbash, D, 'There's no airport border "crisis", only management failure of the Home Affairs department', The Conversation (online, 13 October 2019) https://theconversation.com/theres-no-airport-border-crisis-only-management-failure-of-the-home-affairs-department-125068>

Jefferies, R, "Offshore Processing" in Guatemala: A Deeper Look at the U.S. Asylum Deal', Just Security (online, 23 August 2019) https://www.justsecurity.org/65967/offshore-processing-in-guatemala-a-deeper-look-at-the-u-s-asylum-deal/

Hirsch, A, Ghezelbash, D and Jefferies, R, 'We don't know how many asylum seekers are turned away at Australian airports', The Conversation (online, 11 February 2019) https://theconversation.com/we-dont-know-how-many-asylum-seekers-are-turned-away-at-australian-airports-111344

Jefferies, **R**, 'Tragedy of Errors: The Solicitor General, the Supreme Court and the Truth', Just Security (online, 23 May 2018) https://www.justsecurity.org/56718/tragedy-errors-solicitor-general-supreme-court-truth/

Jefferies, R, 'US Supreme court has a duty to stop Trump's travel ban', The Interpreter (online, 8 December 2017) https://www.lowyinstitute.org/the-interpreter/us-supreme-court-has-duty-stop-trump-travel-ban

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

Invited Participant, 'New Approaches to Compliance', Workshop, Universitaet Leiden and University of Copenhagen, 18 March 2022

Invited Participant, 'A Social Network Analysis of Transnational Legal Process in United States Asylum Law', Research Forum, 2021 American Society of International Law Midyear Meeting, 11-13 November 2021

Invited Participant, 'The Social Network of Non-Refoulement: Transnational Legal Process in the United States', New Directions in Law and Society: A Graduate Student and Junior Scholar Workshop, University of Massachusetts, 8-9 October 2021

Invited Participant, 'Contested Legalities: Translocal Encounters with Transnational Law', Melbourne University Law School, 8-9 July 2021

Invited Paper Presentation, 'Street-Level Bureaucrats in a Transnational Legal Process: Using Social Network Analysis to Visualize "Hidden" Decisions in United States Asylum Law', Law & Society Association Annual Conference, 27 May 2021

Invited Participant, The Forced Displacement Workshop for Junior Scholars, The Refugee Hub and the Human Rights Research and Education Centre at the University of Ottawa (2021)

Invited Participant, 'Street-level Bureaucrats in a Transnational Legal Process: Using Social Network Analysis to Visualise "Hidden" Decisions in Australian Asylum Law', Osgoode GLSA Graduate Student Conference 2020-2021, 19 February 2021

Invited Panelist, 'Disembarking to Danger: How Australia's Airport Asylum Policies Risk Returning Refugees to Harm', Webinar, Andrew and Renata Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law, 4 November 2020 (with Senator Kristina Keneally and Sophie McNeill) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rtu18AldNaM

Invited Panelist, 'Immigration, Asylum, and National Security: A Comparative Perspective', 2020 Ambassador William C. Battle Symposium, Miller Center, University of Virginia, 26 October 2020 <

https://millercenter.org/news-events/events/immigration-asylum-and-national-security-comparative-perspective>

Invited Participant, 2020 Harvard Law School Institute for Global Law and Policy Scholars Workshop, August 2020 (cancelled due to COVID-19)

Invited Paper Presentation, 'Habitus and Transnational Legal Process in Australian Asylum Law', Law & Society Association Annual Conference, 28 May 2020

Invited Presenter, 'Street-level Bureaucrats, Discretion and Data: Pre-Screening Protection Claims at the Border', Kaldor Centre Annual Conference 2019, 26 November 2019

Co-Organiser and Presenter, Research Methods Workshop, Forced Migration Research Network / Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law, 28 November 2019

Invited Participant, 'Street-Level Bureaucrats, Discretion and the Transnational Legal Substance of Non-Refoulement', Australian and New Zealand Society of International Law Postgraduate Research Students Workshop, 3 July 2019

Invited Presenter, 'Street-Level Bureaucrats and Implementation of the Principle of Non-Refoulement in the United States', UCLA Emerging Immigration Scholars Conference, 16 February 2019

Invited Panelist, 'One of These Things is Not Like the Other: An Analysis of Marriage Under the Immigration and Nationality Act', Legally Gay: The Symposium, Arizona State University Law Journal for Social Justice, 9 March 2012

Invited Keynote Speaker, 'Transgender Migrants, Asylum and Immigration Law', Arizona State University Justice and Social Inquiry Colloquium, 10 November 2010

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

CERTIFICATES

Foundations of University Learning and Teaching (FULT) (2019)

UNIVERSITY COURSES

FALL 2022 (WWU)

Advanced Topics: International Refugee Law & Asylum in the US – FAIR 412B, Undergraduate Core (5 credits)

Social Relationships & Responsibilities – Socio-Legal Studies – FAIR 203A, Undergraduate Core (5 credits)

SPRING 2022 (WWU)

The United States Legal System – FAIR 311B, Undergraduate Core (5 credits)

WINTER 2022 (WWU)

Rights, Liberties and Justice – FAIR 393B, Undergraduate Core (5 credits)

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Advanced Topics: Immigration Law – FAIR 412B, Undergraduate Core (5 credits)

TERM 2 2019 (UNSW)

Law in the Global Context – LAWS 2270, JD and Undergraduate Core (6 credits)

SESSION 1 2019 (Macquarie University)

Human Rights, Policy and the Law - LAWS 260, Undergraduate Elective (3 credits); with Prof Carolyn Adams

SEMESTER 2 2018 (UNSW)

Law in the Global Context, Stage III Legal Research & Writing – LAWS2270/JURD7270, JD and Undergraduate Core (part of 6 credit main course)

Equity and Trusts, Stage II Legal Research & Writing – LAWS2385/JURD7285, JD and Undergraduate Core, Two sections (part of 6 credit main course)

SEMESTER 1 2018 (UNSW)

Law in the Global Context, Stage III Legal Research & Writing – LAWS2270/JURD7270, JD and Undergraduate Core (part of 6 credit main course)

SEMESTER 2 2017 (UNSW)

Law in the Global Context, Stage III Legal Research & Writing – LAWS2270/JURD7270, JD and Undergraduate Core, Three sections (part of 6 credit main course)

SPRING 2017 (UMN)

Detainee Rights Clinic – 7844, JD, 4 credits; with Linus Chan

FALL 2016 (UMN)

Detainee Rights Clinic - 7844, JD, 4 credits; with Linus Chan

GUEST LECTURES

Guest Lecture to Guy Goodwin-Gill, International Refugee Law (LAWS8190) – Semester 2 2018, University of New South Wales

Guest Lecture to Carissa Hessick, Federal Crimes (LAW691) - Spring 2011, Arizona State University

SELECTED CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

Travel Ban Rapid-Response Training (2 February 2017), University of Minnesota, https://www.law.umn.edu/news/2017-02-06-cna-students-faculty-and-partners-respond-trump-immigration-travel-ban-and-help-minnesota-win-nationwide-injunction

Human Rights Defender Project Bond Training (31 March 2017), University of Minnesota, available on YouTube https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=owCMR RHi1k>

Pro Bono: The Ethics of Doing Good (22 April 2017), University of Minnesota

USCIS District Office Practice (June 2015), American Immigration Lawyers Association

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Dialogues on Detention: Applying Lessons from Criminal Justice Reform to the Immigration Detention System (12 October 2012), Human Rights First 2012/2013 Public Dialogues Series

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2022-2023 Salish Sea Institute/Border Policy Research Institute Fellowship, 'Transboundary

Flood Emergency Management Networks in the Puget Sound Basin'

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

2014-PRESENT	Martindale Hubbell AV Preeminent® Rating
2017 - 2022	Scientia PhD Scholarship, University of New South Wales; Full tuition waiver,
	\$40,000AUD/year, \$10,000AUD/year professional development
2021	John S. Lancy Distinguished Alumni Award, Arizona State Law Journal
2018 - 2019	PLuS Alliance International Interdisciplinary Researcher, PLuS Alliance
2018	National Advocate of the Year, Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota
2018	Law Faculty Fieldwork Grant, UNSW \$5,000AUD
2018	International Students Grant, Medibank \$2,000AUD
2017	Special Recognition Award, Advocates for Human Rights
2013 - 2016	Rising Stars, Super Lawyers
2013 - 2016	Top Valley Lawyers, Phoenix Magazine
2015 - 2016	Professional Mountain Bike Racer, Ninja Mountain Bike Performance
2002 - 2003	Professional Soccer Player, Tennis-Borussia Berlin Fußball Club

PROFESSIONAL AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

2022 - Present	Peer Reviewer, The International Journal of Human Rights
2022 - Present	Fellow, Salish Sea Institute
2022 - Present	Fellow, Border Policy Research Institute
2020 - Present	Peer Reviewer, University of New South Wales Law Journal
2019 - PRESENT	Case Law Editorial Team Member, Canada/United States, International
	Journal of Refugee Law
2017 - PRESENT	Affiliate, Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law
2017 - PRESENT	Member, Australian and New Zealand Society of International Law
2016 – Present	Member, Law & Society Association
2019 - 2021	Steering Committee, UNSW Forced Migration Research Network
2021 - 2022	Special Issue Editor, Australian Journal of Human Rights
2017	Team Co-Leader, Travel Ban Rapid Response Team
2017 - 2018	National Asylum Committee Member, American Immigration Lawyers
	Association
2013 - 2017	National USCIS Field Operations Committee and Past Vice Chair,
	American Immigration Lawyers Association
2012 - 2013	Arizona Chapter Chair, American Immigration Lawyers Association
2012 - 2013	Board of Governors, American Immigration Lawyers Association
2012 - 2015	Co-Founder, No Dream Deferred Coalition

SELECTED MEDIA APPEARANCES

IEFFERIES 7

Moderator, Q&A with Director Sonita Gale, *Hostile* (10 October 2022) https://westerntoday.wwu.edu/news/fairhavens-regina-jefferies-to-moderate-qa-after-screening-of-hostile-oct-10-at-the-pickford

'Canada-U.S. border agents try to stem flow of migrants in face of unforgiving weather, vast distances', James McCarten (CBC News, 26 January 2022) https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/manitoba/u-s-canada-manitoba-border-crossing-deaths-1.6328156

"Do not come, do not come": Why the Biden administration's blunt message to migrants sounds familiar to Australia', Rashida Yosufzai (SBS News, 12 June 2021) https://www.sbs.com.au/news/do-not-come-do-not-come-why-the-biden-administration-s-blunt-message-to-migrants-sounds-familiar-to-australia

'Refugee Policy in the U.S. and Australia', Breakfast (Radio Adelaide, 29 January 2021) https://radioadelaide.org.au/2021/01/29/refugee-policy-in-the-u-s-and-australia/

'Why take phones from refugees?', The Signal (ABC News, 24 September 2020) https://www.abc.net.au/radio/programs/the-signal/mobile-ban-bill/12694936

Damien Carrick, 'Bill to ban mobile phones in immigration detention', Law Report (ABC News, 15 September 2020) < https://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/lawreport/asylum-seekers-and-mobile-phones-nt-remote-housing/12635656>

Andrew & Renata Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law, 'Australia's airport asylum process explained', YouTube (online, 14 September 2020) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FG62PR6prYs

Helen Davidson, 'Home affairs department failed to keep track of those claiming asylum at airports', The Guardian (online, 31 July 2019) https://www.theguardian.com/australia-news/2019/jul/31/home-affairs-department-failed-to-keep-track-of-those-claiming-asylum-at-airports

'FBi Radio interview with Regina Jefferies', Backchat (FBi Radio, 23 June 2018) https://soundcloud.com/kaldorcentre/fbi-radio-interview-with-regina-jefferies

Raju Chaduvula and Ryan Faircloth, "'I thought I had lost everything": Minnesota's Somali community faces uncertainty with travel ban', Minnesota Daily (online, 13 February 2017) https://www.mndaily.com/article/2017/02/for-minnesotas-somali-community-travel-ban-poses-uncertainity>

Mila Koumpilova and Faiza Mahamud, 'Minnesota residents caught in confusion around Trump's immigration order', Minneapolis Star Tribune (online, 31 January 2017) http://www.startribune.com/minnesota-residents-caught-in-confusion-around-trump-s-immigration-order/412232243/

'Attorneys poised to help international travelers at Twin Cities airport', MPR NEWS (Cathy Wurzer, 30 January 2017) https://www.mprnews.org/story/2017/01/30/immigration-lawyers-helping-at-twin-cities-international

'Sheriff Arpaio Admits to Contempt of Court', KAET Horizonte (PBS, 26 March 2015) https://azpbs.org/horizonte/2015/03/sheriff-arpaio-admits-to-contempt-of-court/

'Undocumented Immigrants Dropped Off in Arizona', KAET Horizonte (PBS, 12 June 2014) https://azpbs.org/horizonte/2014/06/undocumented-immigrants-dropped-off-in-arizona/

'Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals', KAET Horizonte (PBS, 22 August 2013) https://azpbs.org/horizonte/2013/08/deferred-action-for-childhood-arrivals/

'Achieve Act', KAET Horizonte (PBS, 6 December 2012) https://azpbs.org/horizonte/2012/12/achieve-act/

Daniel Gonzalez, 'Arizona: No "dreamer" driver's licenses', Arizona Republic (online, 21 September 2012)

'No Dream Deferred' Univision (Univision, 27 August 2012) (Spanish)

'Deferred Action Program and Governor Brewer's Executive Order', KAET Horizonte (PBS, 23 August 2012) https://azpbs.org/horizonte/2012/08/deferred-action-program-and-governor-brewers-executive-order/

'Deferred Action Status', KAET Arizona Horizon (PBS, 20 August 2012) https://azpbs.org/horizon/2012/08/deferred-action-status/

'Legal Debate Prompted by Arizona Ban on Deferred Action Licenses', NPR News (Jude Joffe-Block, Fronteras Desk, 17 August 2012) http://kjzz.org/content/7476/legal-debate-prompted-arizona-ban-deferred-action-licenses

'What Brewer's order really means' NBC Arizona Nightly News (NBC, 16 August 2012)

'U.S. Supreme Court Ruling: SB 1070 – Legal' KAET Arizona Horizon (PBS, 25 June 2012) https://azpbs.org/horizon/2012/06/u-s-supreme-court-ruling-sb-1070-legal/

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

Member, State Bar of Arizona
Inactive Member, State Bar of New Mexico
Admitted, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Admitted, Federal District Court of Arizona

SIGNIFICANT LITIGATED CASES

Human Rights Council, Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, *Opinion No. 72/2017 concerning Marcos Antonio Aguilar-Rodriguez (United States of America)*, UN Doc A/HRC/WGAD/2017/72 (28 December 2017) Challenge to the arbitrary deprivation of liberty of an asylum seeker subject to administrative detention for more than six years. 'The government failed to comply with its obligation to ensure periodic, automatic review of detention in the course of immigration proceedings. Moreover, the bonds he was asked to post were repeatedly set at such high levels that, in his particular circumstances, they did not constitute real alternatives to detention.'

Zadeh, et al v. Holder (D DC, Civ No 17-00243-TSC, March 2, 2017)

Equal Protection Clause, Due Process Clause, Establishment Clause, and Administrative Procedure Act mandamus challenge to the Trump Administration's Executive Order barring entry into the United States by nationals of seven majority-Muslim countries. Defendants acquiesced to Plaintiffs' admission into the United States, resulting in joint, stipulated dismissal.

Anthony Lee Aduna Duran v. Holder, et al., (9th Cir, No 11-71529, June 2, 2011)

Challenged Board of Immigration Appeals affirmance of immigration judge decision denying asylum to a Mexican, transgender applicant on the basis of the one-year filing deadline. Petition for review raised issue of first impression, namely that the appellant met exceptions to the one-year deadline, including changed circumstances due to her efforts to transition. After settlement discussions, U.S. Attorney and local ICE counsel stipulated that the appellant met an exception to the one-year deadline and requested the BIA vacate its decision and remand to the immigration judge for a grant of the asylum claim.

SKILLS AND EXPERTISE

LANGUAGE COMPETENCIES

English (native)

Spanish (high proficiency – read, write, speak, understand)

German (basic proficiency - "Gut" on the Goethe Institut Zertifikat Deutsch exam)

SOFTWARE COMPETENCIES

NVivo / Moodle / Canvas / Gephi / SmartSparrow / R / UCINet / NetDraw / Adobe Captivate