

# **MONICA IYER**

iyer@law.duke.edu | (919) 239-5413

## **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT**

**Clinical Fellow/Senior Lecturing Fellow** January 2022-Present

Duke University School of Law, International Human Rights Clinic

Courses Taught: International Human Rights Clinic, Spring 2022-present (co-instructor)

Readings in Reproductive Justice, Fall 2022 (co-instructor)

Advanced Human Rights Clinic, Spring 2023 (co-instructor)

Property, Fall 2022 and Fall 2023 (guest lecturer)

## **EDUCATION**

**Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore**, Milan, Italy

Master in International Cooperation and Development, December 2015

Thesis Project: *Transfer Mispricing as a Human Rights Violation*

**New York University School of Law**, New York, New York

Juris Doctor, May 2010

Honors: Reiss Scholar (partial tuition award based on academic merit)

*Review of Law and Social Change*, Submissions Editor

Activities: Teaching Assistant, Civil Procedure, Professor Troy McKenzie

**University of Chicago**, Chicago, Illinois

A.B. in International Studies and Law, Letters, and Society, with honors, June 2006

Bachelor's Thesis: *Democratic Moments: Elections and France 2002*

Dean's List 2002-2006

## **RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS**

**Primary:** International Law, Human Rights, Property, Environmental Law, Civil Procedure

**Secondary:** Civil Rights, Torts, Immigration Law, Gender and the Law, Refugee Law

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Articles**

*Environmental Migration in Regional Human Rights Courts: A Lifeboat from the "Sinking Vessel,"* 91 TENN. L. REV. (forthcoming, spring 2024), [https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=4534354](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=4534354). (Job talk)

*How Recognition and Implementation of the Right to a Healthy Environment Can Advance the Human Rights of Migrants,* 1 ENV'T RTS. REV. (forthcoming, August 2023), [https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=4534356](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=4534356).

*Transferring Away Human Rights*, 15 NW. J. HUM. RTS. 1 (2017),  
<https://scholarlycommons.law.northwestern.edu/njhr/vol15/iss1/1/>.

### **Book chapters**

*Towards a Just International Tax Order*, in TAX JUSTICE AND GLOBAL INEQUALITY (Krishen Mehta et al., eds., 2020), <https://gripinequality.org/tax-justice-and-global-inequality-practical-solutions-to-protect-developing-country-revenues/>.

*Tax Abuse and Implications for Human Rights in Africa*, in TAX, INEQUALITY, AND HUMAN RIGHTS (Philip Alston & Nikki Reisch, eds., 2019) (with A. Oguttu), <https://academic.oup.com/book/36464>.

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

<b>Research Consultant</b> <i>United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights</i>	2022
<b>Human Rights Officer</b> <i>United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights</i>	2020-2021
<b>Consultant</b> <i>Center for Human Rights and Global Justice at NYU School of Law</i>	2019
<b>Consultant</b> <i>United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights</i>	2016-2018
<b>Research Consultant</b> <i>Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Geneva Office</i>	2016-2017
<b>Freelance Attorney and Researcher</b>	2014-2016
<b>Assistant Attorney General</b> <i>Civil Rights Bureau, New York State Office of the Attorney General</i>	2012-2013
<b>Judicial Clerk</b> <i>The Honorable Ronald Ellis, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York</i>	2010-2011

## **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

*Environmental Migration in Regional Human Rights Courts: A Lifeboat from the “Sinking Vessel”*  
 Global Network on Human Rights and the Environment Emerging Scholars Workshop,  
 Summer 2022  
 Duke Law Junior Scholars Workshop, Spring 2023  
 Duke-UNC-NCCU Clinical Scholars Workshop, Spring 2023  
 NYU Law Scholarship Clinic, Spring 2023  
*Panelist*, “Managing Climate Migration,” American Society of International Law (ASIL) Annual  
 Conference, Spring 2023 (recognized ASIL “New Voices” speaker)  
*Moderator*, “Human Rights and Biodiversity,” Duke Law Human Rights in Practice Series, Fall 2022

*Moderator*, “Human Rights-Based Climate Litigation,” Duke Law Human Rights in Practice Series, Spring 2022

*Panelist*, “Migration with Dignity: Perspectives on Climate Change and Human Mobility,” University of Essex Human Rights Centre Human Rights and Climate Change Symposium, Summer 2021

“Tax Abuse and Implications for Human Rights in Africa,” NYU Law Center for Human Rights and Global Justice Conference, “Human Rights and Tax in an Unequal World,” Fall 2016

### **SERVICE**

*Faculty advisor*, Duke Law School Human Rights Pro Bono Program, Fall 2022-present

*Faculty mentor*, Duke Law School Public Interest and Public Service Law Program, Spring 2022-present

*Associate editor*, The Italian Law Journal, 2016-present

*Board member*, USAHello, Fall 2022-present

*Diversity policy drafting committee member*, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, 2020-2021

### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

New York State | United States District Court, NDNY | United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

## REFERENCES

### **Rachel Brewster**

Jeffrey and Bettysue Hughes Professor of Law  
Duke University School of Law  
210 Science Drive  
Durham, NC 27708  
(919) 613-7213  
[Brewster@law.duke.edu](mailto:Brewster@law.duke.edu)

### **Magistrate Judge Ronald L. Ellis**

Southern District of New York (ret.)  
[ellis740@optonline.net](mailto:ellis740@optonline.net)

### **Laurence R. Helfer**

Harry R. Chadwick, Sr. Professor of Law  
Duke University School of Law  
210 Science Drive  
Durham, NC 27708  
(919) 613-8573  
[helfer@law.duke.edu](mailto:helfer@law.duke.edu)

### **Jayne Huckerby**

Clinical Professor of Law and Director, International Human Rights Clinic  
Duke University School of Law  
210 Science Drive  
Durham, NC 27708  
(919) 613-7228  
[huckerby@law.duke.edu](mailto:huckerby@law.duke.edu)

### **Troy A. McKenzie**

Dean and Cecelia Goetz Professor of Law  
New York University School of Law  
40 Washington Square South  
New York, NY 10012  
(212) 998-6000  
[mckenzie@exchange.law.nyu.edu](mailto:mckenzie@exchange.law.nyu.edu)

### **Timothy Meyer**

Richard Allen/Cravath Distinguished Professor in International Business Law  
Duke University School of Law  
210 Science Drive  
Durham, NC 27708  
(919) 613-7014  
[meyer@law.duke.edu](mailto:meyer@law.duke.edu)