

# RACHEL G. NGO NTOMP

## Assistant Professor

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### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

**University of Wyoming, College of Law**  
Assistant Professor

**Laramie, WY**

*From August 2024 - present*

- Courses Taught: Contracts, Business Organizations, Comparative Contracts, Secured Transactions

**Boston University, School of Law**  
Visiting Assistant Professor (VAP)

**Boston, MA**

*September 2022 – June 2024*

**University of Geneva, School of Law, PIL Department**  
*Teaching and Research Assistant*  
*Academic Intern*

**Geneva, Switzerland**

*February 2017 – August 2020*

*March 2016 – August 2016*

- Teaching (in French and English):
  - Taught Private International Law courses when professors were absent (50 – 300 students).
  - Supervised students in writing graduation research papers on Comparative Tort and Contract Law and Private International Law.
  - Hosted review sessions for students in Private International Law and Comparative Contract Law.
  - Researched and prepared class materials for courses on Private international law (general, business, and family), Comparative law (contracts and tort), Introduction to Chinese Law, and Introduction to Common Law.
  - Drafted and graded final essay examinations and conducted oral examinations for all the above-mentioned courses.
- Research (in French and English):
  - Researched, drafted, proofread, and edited expert reports, scientific papers, and books.
  - Researched and prepared conference speeches.
  - Coordinated and researched the Swiss law portion of a comparative law project (ongoing, in collaboration with the Swiss Institute of Comparative Law).
  - Translated case law and legal doctrine from English, German, Spanish and Italian to French.
- Internal Service Activities:
  - Assistant Editor of the “Yearbook of Private International Law”, edited by Andrea Bonomi, Paul Volken and The Swiss Institute of Comparative Law.
  - Organized conferences and workshops on Comparative law, international arbitration, and the drafting of the new Chinese Civil Code.
- Peer reviews (in French and English), notably:
  - Gian Paolo Romano, *Droit international dit "privé" et droit international dit "public" : éléments d'une théorie unitaire et humanisée du droit international*, Journal du droit international, 2022, vol. 2022, no. 1, 1
  - Thomas Kadner Graziano, *La responsabilité à l'égard des tiers à raison d'un manquement contractuel – Le 'contrat avec effet protecteur envers des tiers' en droit français?*, in Guillaume Wicker, Reiner Schulze et Gerald Mäscher (éds.), *La réforme du droit de la responsabilité civile en France*, Paris (Société de législation comparée) 2021, vol. 35, 175-192.
  - Tamir Boldbaatar, *The Development of Private International Law in Mongolia*, in Andrea Bonomi & Gian Paolo Romano (eds.), *Yearbook of Private International Law Vol. XIX - 2017/2018*, Verlag Dr. Otto Schmidt 2018, 395-420.

## **TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- Contracts, Business Organizations, Commercial Law (sales and secured transactions), Comparative Law (contracts and torts), Private International Law, International Business Litigation, International Business Transactions

## **PUBLICATIONS AND WORKS-IN-PROGRESS**

*The Small Business Dilemma*, 81 WASH. & LEE L. REV. \_\_ (forthcoming)

*The Content Control of Small Business Contracts and the Inefficiency of Unconscionability*, Law review article (work-in-progress)

*The Role of Territoriality in Determining Private International Law Issues in Token Transaction Disputes*, Law review article (work-in-progress)

Ph.D. thesis on “The Protection of SMEs against Unfair Standard Terms, Forgotten by the Swiss Legislature? – A Comparative Study on the Content Control of Contract Terms” (work-in-progress)

## **EDUCATION**

### **Boston University School of Law**

**Boston, MA**

*Master of Laws (LL.M.) in American Law, 3.86 GPA*

*September 2021 – May 2022*

- Recipient of the American Law Outstanding Achievement Award
- Recipient of the LLM Leadership Award (Scholarship for distinguished professional achievement)
- Representative for the Business Law Society (Student Organization)

### **University Of Geneva, Faculty of Law**

**Geneva, Switzerland**

*Ph.D. Candidate*

*September 2019 - Present*

Thesis Topic: The Protection of SMEs against Unfair Standard Terms, Forgotten by the Swiss Legislature?  
– A Comparative Study on the Content Control of Contract Terms

*Certificate of Advanced Studies in Legal Professions*  
1<sup>st</sup> part of the Geneva Bar

*February 2017 – June 2017*

*Master of Laws, summa cum laude (5.73/6 GPA)*

*September 2015 – February 2017*

Study Abroad: Renmin University of China School of Law, Beijing, China (last semester)

*Certificate in Transnational Law, CTL (5.19/6 GPA)*

*September 2015 – June 2016*

Topic: Study of Private International Law and Comparative Law Topics, namely Comparative Tort Law, Comparative Contract Law, International Commercial Arbitration, International Litigation, and Introduction to Chinese Law

*Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.), cum laude (5.02/6 GPA)*

*September 2012 – September 2015*

Activity: Swiss Moot Court Competition (placed 16<sup>th</sup>/60)

## **PROFESSIONAL LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

**Thermalp les Bains d’Ovronnaz SA**

**Ovronnaz, Switzerland**

*In-house Counsel*

*January 2020 – December 2021*

*August 2015 – December 2018*

- Drafted and negotiated numerous commercial contracts such as share purchase agreements, consumer contracts, lease agreements, supplier contracts, franchising agreements, NDAs, and loan agreements.
- Reviewed customer complaints and filings with the labor & employment court, drafted answers in conjunction with outside counsel, participated in discovery, and was involved in negotiating settlements of disputes.
- Resolved disputes between the company and customers or employees in matters relating to labor & employment, housing, contract law, and other civil matters at the pre-judicial stage.

**Farquet – Sarrasin – Vouilloz – Wilson SA**

**Martigny, Switzerland**

*Summer Intern*

*Summer 2015*

- Researched and drafted legal memoranda on matters relating to white-collar crimes, divorce, and expropriation of property.
- Assisted partners in the preparation and conduct of court hearings on divorce matters.

**SELECTED LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS**

Stanford Junior Faculty Forum – June 2024 presentation on *The Small Business Dilemma*

National Business Law Scholars Conference – June 2024 presentation on *The Content Control of Small Business Contracts and the Inefficiency of Unconscionability*

Third Annual Michael A. Olivas Writing Institute – June 2024 presentation on *The Small Business Dilemma*

Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Writing Workshop – June 2024 presentation on *The Role of Territoriality in Determining Private International Law Issues in Token Transaction Disputes*

Inaugural Conflict of Laws Workshop – May 2024 presentation on *The Role of Territoriality in Determining Private International Law Issues in Token Transaction Disputes*

Northeastern University School of Law Junior Scholars Conference (JSC) – March 2024 presentation on *The Small Business Dilemma*

Central States Law School Association (CSLSA) Annual Scholarship Conference – September 2023 presentation on *The Small Business Dilemma*

Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Writing Workshop – June 2023 presentation on *The Small Business Dilemma*

**BAR ADMISSIONS**

New York Bar (admission pending)

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Member of the Massachusetts Black Lawyers Association, MBLA 2022-present

Member of the Boston Bar Association, BBA 2021-present

Member of the Massachusetts Bar Association, MBA (w/ Business Law Section) 2022-present

Member of the Swiss Association of International Law (SSDI/SVIR)

2014-present

**LANGUAGES SKILLS**

French (native); English (fluent); German (limited professional capacity); Spanish (reading and oral comprehension); Mandarin (SHK III); Korean (basic knowledge)

**INTEREST**

Co-Founder of a Minority Owned Business, KPS SNC, specializing in skin products and fashion design, Cooking, Traveling and Family Board Game Nights