

EDUCATION

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (Urbana, Illinois)

Ph.D. in Anthropology student, Sociocultural and linguistic anthropology

Cornell Law School (Ithaca, New York)

J.S.D., Doctor of the Science of Law, May 2023

Dissertation: "Legal Transplant Chronicles: The Transplant of the Beyond-a-Reasonable-Doubt Standard to Colombian Criminal Procedure"

Advisors: Mitchel Lasser (Chair), Aziz Rana, and Stephen P. Garvey

Grants and Scholarships: Cornell University Graduate School travel grant; 2020 Einaudi Center International Research travel grant; Colombian Secretary of Science Graduate Student Grant Loan; Colfuturo Grant Loan

Articles Editor, Cornell International Law Journal

Research Fellow, Cornell Latin American Studies Program

Co-organized the 2021 research symposium

Organized conferences on criminal justice, abolitionism, and race in Latin America.

Cornell Law School (Ithaca, New York)

LL.M., Master of Laws; May 2019

Universidad Externado de Colombia (Bogotá, Colombia)

Graduate Degree in Criminal Procedure; September 2017

GPA 4.3 / 5.00

Pontificia Universidad Javeriana (Bogotá, Colombia)

Bachelor of Laws; April 2016

GPA 4.02 / 5.00

Thesis: "Abbreviated Criminal Procedure in Colombia: A Possibility to Prosecute Minor Crimes"

Advisor: Jenniffer Pinilla Leon

Honors: Excellence Award, Undergraduate Thesis (2016)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Pontificia Universidad Javeriana (Bogotá, Colombia)

Clinical Professor, January 2017-July, 2018

- Course: Criminal Procedure
 - Lectured on opening statements, direct examination, and cross-examination, the rules of evidence, closing arguments, and trial proceedings
 - Evaluated students with mock-trial exercises

Pontificia Universidad Javeriana (Bogotá, Colombia)

Teaching Assistant, January 2017- July 2018

- Course: Substantive Criminal Law
 - Served as a teaching assistant to Professor Jenniffer Pinilla Leon in her Criminal Law course
 - Addressed the students regarding crimes against the Administration of Justice

Pontificia Universidad Javeriana (Bogotá, Colombia)

Assistant Professor, September 2017-December 2017

- Course: Evidence Law in Criminal Procedure
 - Collaborated as an assistant professor to Professor Liliana Sanchez in her course on Evidence Law in the Criminal Process
 - Addressed the students regarding crimes against the Administration of Justice
 - Explained systems of evaluation of evidence, plea bargains, and the use of evidence in Criminal Procedure

PUBLICATIONS

- Cesar Ramirez, "Legal Education Abroad: Colombian Legal Graduates and the Social Effects of LL.M. degrees," *Novum Jus* 16. 3, 339-381, (2022)
- Daniel Medina Garcia, Sylvana Peña Saffon & Cesar Ramirez Salazar, *Suggestions and Opinions Regarding the Principle of Discretionary Prosecution in Colombia*, 103, *Derecho Penal y Criminologia Externado*, 109, 109-43, (2017)

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2022). *Legal Education Abroad: Colombian Legal Graduates and the Social Effects of LL.M. degrees*, Presubmission Workshop, Legal Education, Law & Society Association.
- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2022) *The Story of a Legal Transplant: The Legal Transplant of Beyond a Reasonable Doubt to Colombian Criminal Procedure*, Graduate Student Workshop New Directions in Law and Society, University of Massachusetts, Amherst.
- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2022). *The Story of a Legal Transplant: The Legal Transplant of Beyond a Reasonable Doubt to Colombian Criminal Procedure*, Online conference (Legal) Adaptation. 15th Annual McGill Law Graduate Conference, Canada.
- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2021) *The Story of a Legal Transplant: The Legal Transplant of Beyond a Reasonable Doubt to Colombian Criminal Procedure*” Online conference, New perspectives on criminal law, criminal procedure and criminology, UCLA and University of Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2021) *How to deal with crime? A Discussion on Penal Abolitionism*, Universidad Militar Nueva Granada, Bogota, Colombia.
- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2021), *Formulating research questions*, Universidad Militar Nueva Granada, Bogota, Colombia.
- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2020-201) *Qualitative Research Methods*, Facultad de Derecho, Universidad Católica de Colombia, Bogota, Colombia.
- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2021) *Penal Abolitionism: a Comparative History*, Conflicto y construcción de paz desde distintos modelos de justicia, curso de otoño, Universidad Americana, Barranquilla, Colombia.
- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2021) *The History of the Colombian Prosecutor General Office*, Congreso Conmemorativo de los 30 años de la Constitución Política de Colombia. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ndbl4U-f28E>
- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2021) *Research and Sociology of Law*, Universidad Militar Nueva Granada, Bogota, Colombia.
- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2021) *The Meritocratic dream: between promises and reality*, Universidad Santo Tomás, Bogota, Colombia. <https://ps-af.facebook.com/Ustaderechobogota/videos/el-sue%C3%B1o-meritocr%C3%A1tico-entre-la-promesa-y-la-realidad/5842309585780911/>
- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2021) *The Story of the Beyond a Reasonable doubt standard: a Comparative Analysis*, Jornadas Neogranadinas y Sociojurídicas, Universidad Militar Nueva Granada, Bogota, Colombia <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uyQz5KtverU>
- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2020) *The Legal Transplant of Beyond a Reasonable Doubt to Colombian Criminal Procedure*, Cornell University Latin American Studies Program Research Symposium
- Ramirez Salazar, C. (2020) *Translating Standards of Proof: the Transplantation of Beyond a Reasonable Doubt to Colombian and Chilean Criminal Proceedings*, New perspectives on criminal law, criminal procedure and criminology, UCLA and University of Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires, Argentina, <http://www.derecho.uba.ar/derechoaldia/notas/nuevas-perspectivas-sobre-derecho-penal-proceso-penal-y-criminologia/+8255> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H6K2uXyqKas>

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Miguel Córdoba Abogados S.A.S (Bogotá, Colombia)

Lawyer July 2017-July 2018

- Developed the criminal law class syllabus for Universidad de Los Andes; selected class readings; created hypotheticals for exams
- Researched the criminal responsibility of public servants, forms of participation, and causality for Professor Cordoba’s lectures at Universidad de Los Andes, Universidad Externado, and Pontificia Universidad Javeriana
- Researched laws protecting Colombian workers’ rights to unionize; analyzed cases in the refinery construction and public works industries
- Created documents used to defend public servants during the investigation and adjudication of a significant case regarding the construction of a sizeable Colombian infrastructure project
 - Elaborated a study on pre-trial detention; reviewed existing legislation and evidence on the case; produced a document to defend the rights of the indicted
 - Prepared an investigation regarding the handling of private and public records to avoid illegal search and seizure
 - Researched the penal responsibility of statutory auditors in public and private corporations
- Drafted a document on the civil compensation in the criminal procedure now used by the firm’s attorneys to represent their clients
- Aided in the organization of the cases assigned to Professor Cordoba as an associate judge of the Colombian Supreme Court

Congress of the Republic of Colombia (Bogota, Colombia)

Legislative Assistant and Researcher, May 2016- June 2017

- Analyzed and drafted an amended version of the Sexual Offenders’ Registration Bill of Justice
 - Compiled comparative law research regarding Sexual Offenders Legislation in the United States, Spain, Puerto Rico, and Chile

- Wrote memorandum analyzing statistics on sexual crimes committed against children and teenagers; reviewed legal doctrine and precedents
- Critiqued the law's punitive approach and collaborated in proposing a restorative justice system framework
- Developed an amendment to Colombia's Penal Code to avoid the alteration or loss of evidence in cases of violence against women, children, and teenagers
- Organized a bill to advance the autonomy of higher education institutions; participated in meetings with representatives of the Education Ministry; proposed changes in budget management and changes in the legal framework
- Formulated modifications to the amnesty and pardon law for members of the FARC guerrillas to guarantee the rights of the victims of the armed conflict
- Proposed a Congressional hearing on the public policies of the Government to prevent violence against women
- Studied legal issues regarding the approval of the Peace Agreement with the FARC guerrillas within the Congress after the loss in the referendum of October 2015
 - Proposed an amendment to the peace accord political participation bill to guarantee women's participation in the presiding boards of City Councils, State Assemblies, and Congress

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member, Law and Society Association (LSA), 2020-Present

SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

Cornell International Human Rights Clinic (Ithaca, New York)

Student researcher, January 2019-May 2019

- Collaborated on an Amicus Brief on behalf of the Cornell International Human Rights Clinic to the Interamerican Commission on Human Rights in the case of the Tagaeri and Taromenane Indigenous Peoples in Voluntary Isolation regarding Ecuador. The Commission referred the case to the Interamerican Court on Human Rights
- It was the first case involving Indigenous Peoples living in voluntary isolation
- Organized research on the Interamerican system on Human Rights and Indigenous Peoples living in voluntary isolation
- Conducted qualitative, structured interviews with multiple stakeholders in Ecuador
- Wrote field notes and performed ethnographical research during fieldwork in Ecuador
- Worked as a translator

Victims Attention Center, Colombian Prosecutor's Office (Bogota, Colombia)

Victim advocate, July 2013-December 2013

- Legal representation of victims of crimes during criminal proceedings

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Cornell University, Ithaca, New York

Teaching and Learning in the Diverse Classroom Online Course (2019)

Law and Society Association

Rocking Qualitative Social Science Workshop (October 2022)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- The Law Firm of your Dreams? The Naturalization of Hierarchy in the Legal Profession, Foro Javeriano (2022)
- Ideology, Criminal Law, and Criminal Procedure, <https://cesjul.org/ideologia-derecho-penal-y-procesal-penal/>
- Clinical Education in the U.S., <https://www.forojaveriano.com/clinicas-juridicas>
- Cesar Ramirez, The lack of protection of the judges in Colombia, <https://www.las2orillas.co/la-desproteccion-de-los-jueces-en-colombia/>.
- Cesar Ramirez, A tribute to Professor Alfonso Reyes Echandia, <http://forojaveriano.blogspot.com/2015/11/pildora-para-la-memoria.html>

LANGUAGES

Languages: Spanish (Native), English (Professional competence)