



Center for Global Legal Challenges

E-NEWSLETTER

A letter from Oona Hathaway, Director, Center for Global Legal Challenges

We are excited to present the inaugural newsletter for the Yale Law School Center for Global Legal Challenges. Our goal as a Center is to serve as a home for students interested in international law, national security law, and foreign relations law. The Center bridges the divide between the legal academy and legal practice on global legal issues. It provides a forum where academic experts and students regularly interact with public and private sector actors responsible for addressing global legal challenges. By bringing these communities together, the Center aims to inject new ideas into legal policy debates and grow a new generation of lawyers with a sense of their capacity and responsibility to use international law, foreign affairs law, and national security law to address real challenges facing the nation.

Our monthly newsletters will offer an overview of our upcoming speaker events, course offerings, research and scholarship opportunities, and related fellowship and career opportunities. We invite you to explore the content below as well as our [website](#) to learn more. To receive future newsletters, please join the mailing list below.

We look forward to seeing you at Center events this Spring.

Oona Hathaway
Gerard C. and Bernice Latrobe Smith Professor of International Law
Director Center for Global Legal Challenges



Lunch Talk with Emma Sky

When: February 9, 2016 12:00p-1:00p
Where: Sterling Law Building Room 128

Emma Sky is Director of Yale World Fellows and a Senior Fellow at Yale University's Jackson Institute, where she teaches Middle East politics. She is the author of *The Unraveling: High Hopes and Missed Opportunities in Iraq*.

Emma served as advisor to the Commanding General of US Forces in Iraq from 2007-2010; as advisor to the Commander of NATO's International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan in 2006; as advisor to the US Security Co-ordinator for the Middle East Peace Process in 2005; and as Governorate Co-ordinator of Kirkuk for the Coalition Provisional Authority, 2003-2004.

Prior to that, Emma worked in the Palestinian territories for a decade, managing projects to develop Palestinian institutions; and to promote co-existence between Israelis and Palestinians. In addition, Emma has provided technical assistance on poverty elimination, human rights, justice public administration reform, security sector reform, and conflict

resolution in the Middle East, South Asia and Africa.

Emma has published numerous articles including in the New York Times, Foreign Affairs, Foreign Policy, Politico, Atlantic, Slate, Survival, Center for a New American Security, US Institute of Peace, the Guardian, and the Journal of the Royal United Services Institute for Defence and Security Studies.

Emma was educated at Oxford (UK), Alexandria (Egypt), Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Israel) and Liverpool (UK).

Emma is an Officer of the British Empire.



Lunch Talk with David Cohen

When: March 7, 2016 12:00p-1:00p
Where: Sterling Law Building Room 128

David S. Cohen was confirmed by the United States Senate to serve as Treasury's Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence on June 30, 2011. As Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence, Cohen leads the Treasury Department's policy, enforcement, regulatory, and intelligence functions aimed at identifying and disrupting the lines of financial support to international terrorist organizations, proliferators of weapons of mass destruction, narcotics traffickers, and other illicit actors posing a threat to our national security.

He is also responsible for overseeing the Department's efforts to combat money laundering and financial crimes. In this role, Cohen serves as a member of the Obama Administration's national security team in developing financial strategies to combat these wide ranging threats and protect the U.S. and international financial systems from abuse.

Cohen received his J.D. from Yale Law School in 1989, and his B.A., magna cum laude, from Cornell University in 1985.



National Security Law & Practice Since 9/11

A Conversation with Rich Gross

When: April 4, 2016, 12:00p-1:00p
Where: Sterling Law Building Room 127

Retired Brigadier General Rich Gross recently served as Legal Counsel to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Throughout his long career, Brigadier General Gross has had multiple combat deployments to both Iraq and Afghanistan, in addition to other deployments abroad. Among other units, he has served in the 1st Special Operational Detachment-Delta (Airborne) as the Detachment Judge Advocate; at the Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC), Fort Bragg, as the Staff Judge Advocate; in Kabul, Afghanistan, as the Chief Legal Advisor for the International Security Assistance Force; and, most recently, the SJA for U.S. Central Command at MacDill AFB, Tampa, Florida.

His decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal; the Legion of Merit; the Bronze Star with two Oak Leaf Clusters; the Defense Meritorious Service Medal; the Army Meritorious Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster; and the Non Article 5

NATO Medal.

A native of Knoxville, Tennessee, Brigadier General Gross attended the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, graduating in 1985 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science. He was commissioned in the U.S. Army as a second lieutenant in the Infantry. After his first tour of service, he was accepted into the Army's Funded Legal Education Program. In 1993, he graduated from the University of Virginia School of Law, Charlottesville, VA, with a Juris Doctor degree and entered the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's Corps.

In 2009, he graduated from the U.S. Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, PA, with a Masters in Strategic Studies.



Lunch Talk with Catherine Aston

When: April 13, 2016, 12:00p-1:00p
Where: Sterling Law Building Room 121

Catherine Ashton has been appointed as High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy. She has been European Commissioner for Trade since October 2008.

During her time as Trade Commissioner she has initiated an ambitious and far-reaching free trade agreement with South Korea, and solved a number of high-profile trade disputes with major trading partners. She has also championed trade as a means of promoting development around the world, putting the EU's economic relationship with African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries on a firmer footing.

Catherine Ashton has represented the European Union in the Doha Round of world trade talks, and built on already strong bilateral trade and investment relationships. As Trade Commissioner she co-chaired the EU-China High Level Economic and Trade Dialogue with Chinese Vice-Premier Wang Qishan.

Co-sponsored Events



Amy Jeffress "Private National Security Lawyering"

Partner at Arnold & Porter
When: February 16, 2016, 12:00p-1:00p
Where: Sterling Law Building Room TBD

Co-sponsored with NSG, YLBS

Amy Jeffress represents clients in criminal defense, national security, government contracts, and compliance matters. She conducts internal investigations and advises companies and individuals on export enforcement, FCPA, classified information, and mutual legal assistance and other international law enforcement issues, including extradition and INTERPOL notices.

Before joining the firm, Ms. Jeffress served as the Justice Department Attaché to the US Embassy in London, where she coordinated cooperation between the US and the UK on criminal matters. She worked with US federal and state prosecutors and agents as well as numerous UK authorities, including the Serious Fraud Office, Crown Prosecution Service, Attorney General's Office, Home Office, and Ministry of Justice. She previously served as Counselor to the Attorney General, advising the Attorney General and senior Department leadership and interfacing regularly with the White House and National Security Council, the intelligence community, and other agencies on national security investigations and prosecutions and international matters.

Ms. Jeffress tried more than 40 cases as a federal prosecutor. She was Chief of the National Security Section in the US Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia, conducting and supervising investigations and prosecutions of international and domestic terrorism, espionage, export control violations, and other crimes related to national security.



Lunch Talk with Nuala O'Connor

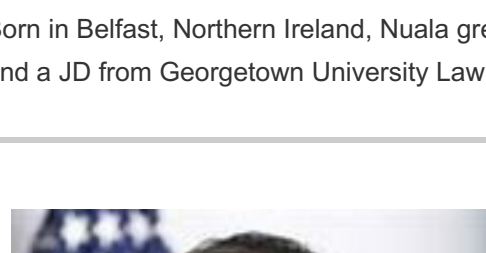
President and CEO of the Center for Democracy and Technology
When: February 29, 12:00p-1:00p
Where: Sterling Law Building Room - 122

Co-sponsored with NSG, ISP, YLW

Nuala O'Connor is the President & CEO of the Center for Democracy & Technology. She is an internationally recognized expert in Internet and technology policy, particularly in the areas of expression and information governance. Nuala is passionate about the ways technology and the Internet can be instruments of global free expression and individual freedom, and she is committed to finding policy solutions that affect real people. Nuala has experience in both the public and private sectors. She was the Global Privacy Leader at General Electric (GE), where she was responsible for privacy policy and practices across GE's numerous divisions. She worked at Amazon.com as Vice President of Compliance & Consumer Trust and Associate General Counsel for Data & Privacy Protection. And later, Nuala served as Deputy Director of the Office of Policy & Strategic Planning, Chief Privacy Officer and as the Chief of Counsel for Technology at the US Department of Commerce, where she worked on global technology policy including Internet governance and industry best practices.

She became the first statutorily appointed Chief Privacy Officer in federal service when she was named as the first Chief Privacy Officer at the Department of Homeland Security.

Born in Belfast, Northern Ireland, Nuala grew up in and around New York City. She holds an AB from Princeton, an M.Ed. from Harvard, and a JD from Georgetown University Law Center. She lives in the Washington, DC, area with her three children



Lunch Talk with Ambassador Saporo

President and CEO of the Center for Democracy and Technology
When: April 11, 12:00p-1:00p
Where: Sterling Law Building Room - 122

Co-sponsored with YLBS, NSG

Ambassador Saporo served as Deputy U.S. Trade Representative from 2009 to 2014, where she led negotiations and enforcement with countries in Europe, the Middle East, North Africa and the Americas, and oversaw initiatives on services, investment, industrial competitiveness, intellectual property and innovation, labor and small business. She has over 25 years of experience in the private sector and government, including at the National Security Council and the State Department.

Current Course Offerings

International Law

Professor Oona Hathaway's introductory course on international law provides students with dimensions of exploring the international dimensions of law in the modern world. The course covers both the public and private dimensions of international law, offering an introduction to varied topics including international trade, international tax, international business transactions, environmental law, criminal law, human rights law, and the law of armed conflict.

Advanced Foreign Relations and International Lawyering

This seminar offers students an opportunity to study, research, and participate in current legal debates over international law and foreign relations law. Students work on research topics selected by the instructor and the class from among those presented by U.S. congressional staff, executive branch lawyers, or nonprofit groups working on issues relating to international law or foreign relations.

"Syria and the Crisis of Global Order" Reading Group

Sponsored by the Center for Global Legal Challenges, this reading group will explore the Syrian Civil War in order to give participants an in-depth understanding of the regional and global implications of the crisis. The weekly sessions are broken into thematic topics, beginning with the history of Syria and expanding out to cover regional dynamics, international governance, and U.S. strategic issues. The reading group will consist of readings, group discussions, guest speakers, and voluntary student debates, under the supervision of Professor Oona Hathaway.

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