



# Aníbal Rosario-Lebrón

## Curriculum Vitae



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### EDUCATION

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#### **NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, NY**

LL.M. in Legal Theory, May 2010

Thesis: Two Good Reasons to Abolish Civil Marriage (Advisor: Prof. Liam Murphy)

Activities: Interpreter for the Immigration Clinic; Mock Trial Teacher-High School Law Institute

#### **UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO, RÍO PIEDRAS CAMPUS, San Juan, PR**

Post-Graduate Certificate in Linguistics Applied to the Instruction of Spanish, *4.00 G.P.A.*, December 2008

#### **UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO SCHOOL OF LAW, San Juan, PR**

J.D., *Magna Cum Laude*, June 2005

Honors: Managing Editor Vol. 74 and Staff Editor Vols. 72 & 73 Rev. Jur. U.P.R.; Distinguished Student Award; 2003-2005 Trial & Advocacy Teams; 1st Place UPR National Debate Competition; 1st Place UIPR National Trial & Advocacy Competition

Assistant: Dean of Students, Prof. Carlos Concepción-Castro (Evidence, and Legal Research & Writing)  
Associate Dean, Prof. Ana Matanzo Vicens (Administrative)

Activities: Student Mentor and Teacher Proyecto ENLACE (Pipeline Program)

#### **UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO, RÍO PIEDRAS CAMPUS, San Juan, PR**

B.S. in Biology, *Summa Cum Laude*, June 2002

Honors: Alumni Award, College of Natural Science Award, βββ Award

Activities: Student Counselor, Biochemical Researcher

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### CURRENT TEACHING APPOINTMENT

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#### **RUTGERS LAW SCHOOL, Newark, NJ**

*Associate Professor*, July 2023 – Present

*Assistant Professor*, July 2022 – June 2022

*Assistant Clinical Professor*, July 2021 – June 2022

Teach Legal, Analysis, Writing & Research Skills, Spanish for Lawyers, Evidence, Family Law, Law & Inequality. Advise students on Journal Notes and Field Placements.

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### PAST TEACHING APPOINTMENTS

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#### **HOWARD UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Washington, DC**

*Assistant Lawyering Skills Professor*, August 2015 – May 2021

Taught Legal Reasoning, Research & Writing, Appellate Practice, Family Law, Spanish for Lawyers, and Politics of Sex, Gender & Sexuality in the Law. Directed Independent Studies. Advised Journal Notes.

#### **UNIVERSIDAD INTERAMERICANA SCHOOL OF LAW, San Juan, PR**

*Visiting Professor*, Summer 2017, 2018, 2021, 2022

Taught Politics of Sex, Gender & Sexuality in the Law, and Spanish for Lawyers.

#### **UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE-BRANDEIS SCHOOL OF LAW, Louisville, KY**

*Visiting Assistant Professor*, July 2014 – June 2015

*Ralph S. Petrilli Distinguished Visiting Assistant Professor*, July 2013 – June 2014

Taught Basic Legal Skills & Writing for Practice. Served as the Critical Reading Group Coordinator. Coached Trial & Advocacy Teams.

**HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**, Hempstead, NY*Visiting Assistant Professor*, August 2010 – May 2013

Taught Jurisprudence, Spanish for Lawyers, and Legal Research, Analysis &amp; Writing. Directed Independent Studies. Coached Trial &amp; Advocacy Teams.

**UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO-RÍO PIEDRAS, LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE**, San Juan, PR*Adjunct Professor*, January 2008 – May 2009

Taught Introduction to the Law and a seminar on Comparative Family Law.

**UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO SCHOOL OF LAW**, San Juan, PR*Adjunct Professor*, August 2006 – December 2008

Taught Legal Research, Analysis &amp; Writing. Coached Trial &amp; Advocacy Teams.

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**LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

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**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO**, San Juan, PR*Special Counsel-Office of the Solicitor General*, August 2014 – June 2017

Investigated and issued recommendations in ethic cases. Advised Solicitor General in civil and criminal appellate briefs to the Appellate and the Supreme Court of Puerto Rico and the First Circuit.

**SOLO PRACTITIONER**, Arroyo, PR*Attorney*, May 2010 – August 2010

Law practice focused on Contracts, Employment, Estates, and Family Law

**MUÑOZ SOSA LAW OFFICES, P.S.C.**, San Juan, PR*Attorney and Litigation Lawyer*, January 2009 – August 2009

Civil litigation focused on Contracts, Employment, Administrative, Torts &amp; Family Law (All levels of Puerto Rico State Courts &amp; Administrative Law System); Transactional Practice; Employment Policy Drafting

**ASSOCIATE JUSTICE FIOL-MATTA, SUPREME COURT OF PUERTO RICO**, San Juan, PR*Law Clerk*, October 2005 – October 2006

Drafted opinions and prepared legal memoranda in various areas, including Constitutional Law, Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, Administrative Law, Family Law, Contracts, Torts, Estates, Corporate Law, Civil Procedure, and Property.

**LEGAL AID CLINIC, UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO SCHOOL OF LAW**, San Juan, PR*Defense Lawyer*, August 2004 – May 2005

Represented clients in criminal misdemeanor cases in the state courts of Puerto Rico.

**SOLICITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO**, San Juan, PR*Law Clerk*, June 2003 – August 2003

Law clerk for Assistant Solicitors representing the State in civil and criminal appellate cases. Assisted in the preparation of briefs to the Appellate and the Supreme Court of Puerto Rico and to the First Circuit.

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**PRO-BONO EXPERIENCE**

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**CARA**, Dilley, Texas*Volunteer Attorney*, March 2017

Provided legal representation for both mothers and children detained in South Texas Family Residential Center. Conducted intake sessions, on-the-ground training for immigrant families, credible and reasonable fear hearing preparations, and represented clients in credible and reasonable fear interviews.

**CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP**, Louisville, KY*Supervisor and Mentor Writing Skills Pipeline Program*, July 2013 – June 2015

Coordinated pipeline program aimed at aiding students from public high schools to improve their writing and language skills through the study of law. Taught Legal Writing to high school students.

**UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO SCHOOL OF LAW, San Juan, PR****Director, Proyecto ENLACE**, October 2006 – May 2009

Coordinated pipeline program aimed at increasing the percentage of lawyers coming from public schools in the legal profession in Puerto Rico. Taught Civil Rights to law school, undergraduate, and high school students.

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**OTHER EXPERIENCE**

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**PROFESSIONAL SPEAKER**, New York, NY**National and International Continued Legal Education Workshops Provider**, May 2013 – Present

Conduct workshops for national and foreign law firms, government agencies, and legal professional organizations regarding gender and the law, evidence, rule of law, the American legal system, lawyering skills, and Spanish for Lawyers.

**LEGAL NEWS COMMENTATOR**, Washington, DC**Legal Analyst**, August 2015 – June 2017

Commentator on Legal and Political Issues for WAPA America Evening News (Latino newscast available to over 5 million homes in the U.S. through cable and satellite providers)

**UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO SCHOOL OF LAW, San Juan, PR****Director of Admissions and Recruitment**, October 2006 – December 2008

Directed, coordinated, and participated in the admissions process, recruitment programs, admissions counseling, and drafting of admission policies. Served as an adviser to first-year law school students.

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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**Other Experience:** Science Collaborator & Photographer, Santillana Publishing Company**Organizations:** LatCrit (Past Board Member), Feminist Legal Theory Collaborative Research Network Action Committee, South-North Exchange on Theory, Capital Family Law Scholars Workshop, Society of American Law Teachers, Law and Society, El Sureste se Levanta (Relief Group Hurricane Maria)**Activities:** Auxiliary Director Puerto Rico Invitational Criminal Trial Advocacy Competition  
Contributing Editor to [Family Law JOTWELL](#)  
[HNBA Special Committee on Afro Latinidad](#)  
Ad Hoc University of California Press Book Reviewer  
Economic Rights of Unmarried Cohabitants Committee – ULC (Observer)  
Blogger at [DerechoalDerecho](#)**Committees:** Law and Society 2023 Annual Meeting Program Committee  
Feminist Legal Theory CRN Program Committee LSA 2017, 2022, 2023 (Co-Chair)  
Capital Family Law Scholars Workshop (Co-Founder & Co-Coordinator)  
Feminist Legal Theory CRN-Action Committee (Coordinator)  
South-North Exchange on Theory LatCrit Conference-SNX (Co-Chair)  
Family Scholars and Teachers Conference 2015, 2018, 2019  
LatCrit Social Media & Website Committee  
LatCrit Conference Committee 2017  
SALT-LatCrit Junior Faculty Development Workshop 2015, 2016 (Chair)  
SALT-LatCrit 2016 Conference Committee  
Adviser, 2014 National BLSA Thurgood Marshall Mock Trial Competition  
SALT's 2013 Puerto Rico B.A.- J.D. Pipeline Program Conference**Languages:** Spanish (Native); English & Italian (Fluent); Portuguese (Intermediate)**Bar:** Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Supreme Court of the United States

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**PUBLICATIONS**

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**WORKS IN PROGRESS**

*Weaponizing Civil Rights: A Crisis Lens Analysis to Sex, Gender, and Sexuality Equality* (article)

*"Libre ya de amores": Custody, Support, & Family Relations of Non-Biological Siblings from Same-Sex Non-Marriages* (article)

*Opting-Out from Subordination: Minors' Right to Control Their Bodies and Future* (article)

**ARTICLES**

[\*If These Blackboards Could Talk 2: The Feminist-Crit Classroom\*](#), 60 FAM. CT. REV. 793 (2022).

[\*A Wee Bit Racist: What Are The Rules Of Evidence, Alex?\*](#), 1 LSU L. J. SOC. JUST. & POL'Y 7 (2022).

[\*The Ouroboros of Identity Politics\*](#), 30 TUL. J. L. & SEXUALITY, 131 (2021).

[\*Evidence's #MeToo Moment\*](#), 74 U. MIAMI L. REV. 1 (2019).

[\*If These Blackboards Could Talk: The Crit Classroom, A Battlefield\*](#), 9 CHARLESTON L. REV. 305 (2015).

[\*For Better and for Better: The Case for Abolishing Civil Marriage\*](#), 5 WASH. U. JUR. REV. 189 (2013).

[\*La juridificación de la familia y su construcción como ente apolítico\*](#) [*The Juridification of the Family and its Construct as a Non-Political Entity*], REVISTA ELECTRÓNICA DEL INSTITUTO DE INVESTIGACIONES AMBROSIO L. GIOJA, AÑO V, NÚMERO ESPECIAL, 616 (2011).

[\*De invisibilidad, torceduras y rectitud, todas las familias tenemos un poco\*](#) [*All families are a bit queer, invisible, and straight*], REVISTA CAYEY 89:71 (noviembre 2009).

[\*La revolución dentro de la revolución: Una mirada a la situación de la mujer en la Cuba socialista\*](#) [*The Revolution within the Revolution: A Perspective on the Condition of Women in Socialist Cuba*], 75 REV. JUR. UPR 731 (2006).

[\*Pago por tercero en las pensiones alimentarias: Evaluación crítica de su posible adopción en el nuevo Código Civil de Puerto Rico\*](#) [*Child Support Payments by Third Parties: An Analysis of Its Possible Incorporation into the Civil Code of Puerto Rico*], 73 REV. JUR. UPR 1025 (2004).

[\*Reconstrucción social del convicto por delitos sexuales: Una propuesta terapéutica para establecer en Puerto Rico una Corte de Delitos Sexuales\*](#) [*The Social Reconstruction of Sexual Convicts: A Therapeutic Proposal for the Creation of a Sex Crimes Court in Puerto Rico*]. LA CATARSIS DE QUIRÓN, Vol. 3, Núm. 1 (2004).

**RESPONSE ARTICLES**

[\*When Saying Gay Is No Longer Sufficient: Response to Marie-Amélie George's Expanding LGBT\*](#), 73 Fla. L. Rev. F. 21 (2023).

**BOOKS (EDITOR)**

[\*GENDER THE LAW\*](#) (Thomson Reuters 2023-2024 ed.) (Jamie Abrams, Daniela Kraiem, Aníbal Rosario Lebrón, eds.).

*WOMEN AND THE LAW* (Thomson Reuters 2021-2022 ed.) (Jamie Abrams, Daniela Kraiem, Aníbal Rosario Lebrón, eds.).

**BOOK CHAPTERS**

[\*Commentary to Marvin v. Marvin, 557 P.2d 106 \(Cal. 1976\)\*](#) in FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: FAMILY LAW (Rachel Rebouche ed.) 117-25 (Cambridge University Press) (2020).

[\*United States v. Morrison\*, 529 U.S. 598 \(2000\)](#) in FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: REWRITTEN OPINIONS OF THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT (Kathy Stanchi, Linda Berger & Bridget Crawford eds.) 452-67 (Cambridge University Press) (2016).

## REVIEWS

[\*Law's Power in Naming & Silencing\*](#), JOTWELL (November 8, 2023) (reviewing Lisa Washington, *Survived & Coerced: Epistemic Injustice in the Family Regulation System*, 124 Colum. L. Rev. 1097 (2022)).

[\*Functional Reality\*](#), JOTWELL (October 2022) (reviewing Courtney G. Joslin & Douglas NeJaime, *How Parenthood Functions*, \_\_\_ Colum. L. Rev. \_\_\_ (forthcoming 2023), available at SSRN).

[\*On Pointe: The Right of Children to Explore their Gender Identity\*](#), JOTWELL (September 13, 2021) (reviewing Marie-Amelie George, *Exploring Identity*, 54 Fam. L. Q. \_\_\_ (Forthcoming, 2021), available at SSRN)

[\*Rounding the Square Peg: Matsumura's Redefining of Status Regulatory Schemes\*](#), JOTWELL (November 3, 2020) (reviewing Kaiponanea T. Matsumura, *Breaking Down Status*, 89 WASH. U. L. REV. \_\_\_ (forthcoming Jan. 2021)).

[\*Book Review: Speaking in Queer Tongues: Globalization and Gay Language\*](#) (Leap, W. L., & Boellstorff, T. Eds.), 18 REVISTA DE CIENCIAS SOCIALES 175 (Summer 2008).

*De derechos y reveses, Reseña: Ni una vida más para la toga [Book Review: Not A Life More for the Robe]* (Daniel Nina Ed.), EL NUEVO DÍA, 26 de noviembre de 2006.

## SELECTED BLOG-NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

[\*Democracy joined the group\*](#), 80 Grados (2 de agosto de 2019).

[\*A Winning Tradition: The PR Criminal Trial Advocacy Competition\*](#), FROM THE BAR (2012-2013 Winter/Spring).

[\*Atando los cabos sueltos del machismo en el sistema judicial de P.R.\*](#) [*Tying Up the Loose Ends of Machismo in P.R.'s Judicial System*], DERECHOALDERECHO (2011).

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## SELECTED CONFERENCES, MEDIA APPEARANCES & WORKSHOPS

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*La perpetuación del racismo y el clasismo a través de las reglas de evidencia*, Academia Judicial Puertorriqueña (May 2023, online).

*Cómo prevenir la revictimización en la aplicación de las Reglas de Evidencia en los casos de violencia de género*, Academia Judicial Puertorriqueña (December 2022, online).

*Navigating Discrimination in the Legal Profession*, Metro LALSA (October 2022, Newark).

*A Wee Bit Racist: What Are The Rules Of Evidence, Alex?*, ClassCrits XIII: Unlocking Race & Class For Just Transitions, (October 2022, Houston).

*IV Roundtable on Nonmarriage and the Law*, Washington University in St. Louis School of Law. (September 2022, St. Louis) [Commentator].

*Roe v. Wade: Un Conversatorio Virtual Sobre sus Implicaciones al Sistema de Salud y Judicial de Puerto Rico*, Universidad Central del Caribe (August 2022, online).

*Weaponizing Civil Liberties: A Crisis Lens Analysis to Sex, Sexual Orientation, and Gender Identity & Expression (SSOGIE) Equality*, Law and Society Association 2022 Global Meeting (July 2022, Lisbon); Eighth Applied Legal Storytelling Conference (July 2021, online); Arkansas Law School Atkinson Colloquium on LGBTQ Law and Policy (March 2021, online); 2021 Feminist Legal Theory Conference (April 2021, online); ACS 6th Annual Constitutional Law Scholars Forum (March 2020, Orlando).

*"Libre ya de amores": Custody, Support, & Family Relations of Non-Biological Siblings from Same-Sex Non-Marriages*, 2022 Family Law Scholars & Teachers Conference (June 2022, Philadelphia); Third Roundtable on Nonmarriage and the Law, Washington University (October 2021).

Evidence's #MeToo Moment: A Conversation, DLA Piper (April 2022).

[Bad Hombres Virtual Screening & Panel Discussion](#), Metro LALSA & LatinoJustice PRLDEF (March 2022).

*Gender, Sexuality, and Justice: LGBTQ Legal Strategies*, Howard Law Human and Civil Rights Law Review's 7th Annual C. Clyde Ferguson Symposium: Intersectionality in the New Age: Crafting an Anti-Discrimination Agenda (January 2022, online).

[LGBTQI+ Y Teoría Crítica del Derecho: Hacia una Analética](#), Teoría Crítica del Derecho y Justicia Social en las Américas (January 2022, online).

[Raza y Teoría Crítica del Derecho: Los Racismos](#), Teoría Crítica del Derecho y Justicia Social en las Américas (January 2022, online).

*La aplicación de las reglas de evidencia en los casos de violencia sexual*, 4to Simposio Empieza por Creer - Centro Salud Justicia, El Derecho: Agente enlazador para la Salud Justicia (September 2021, online).

*AALS Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning and Research Faculty Recruitment Webinar* (August 2021, online).

[Herramientas en el Derecho Probatorio para la Adjudicación Efectiva en Casos de Agresión Sexual](#), Congreso Judicial Justicia con Perspectiva de Género (June 2021, online).

[Teoría Crítica de la Raza: Una propuesta que causa polémica en Georgia](#), Univision (May 2021).

*Roundtable on Feminist and Critical Pedagogy*, Law and Society Association 2020 Annual Meeting (May 2021, online).

*Blending Tracks: Teaching Outside Legal Writing*, 2021 Empire State Legal Writing Conference (May 2021).

*The Rules that Bond White Supremacy*, Fighting White Supremacy in the 21st Century, Inaugural LSU Law Journal for Social Justice & Policy Symposium (March 2021).

*Strategies for Efficient, Sustainable, & Transformative Online Teaching* [Teaching Plenary] 2020 Family Law Scholars & Teachers Conference (June 2020) [Co-Presenter with Prof. Jamie Abrams].

*Weaponized Constitutional Rights v. Gender, Sex, Sexuality Equality* [Keynote Speech], Glass Ceiling in the Glass City - 2020 Women in Law Summit Presented by the Toledo Bar Association and Toledo Women's Bar Association (March 2020, Toledo, OH).

[Aníbal Rosario-Lebrón on Truth and the Federal Rules of Evidence](#), Ipse Dixit (February 2020).

[Verano del '19: Fleeting or Enduring Co\(Ally\)tions?](#), From Hurricane Maria to the Political Summer Storm of 2019 (September 2019, Pittsburgh, PA).

*Evidence's #MeToo Moment: Reforming the Impeachment of Sexual and Gender-Based Violence Victims' Character for Truthfulness*, Evidence Summer Workshop at Vanderbilt Law School (May 2019, Nashville); ALWD Scholars Workshop (May 2019, New York).

*From Interview to Judicial Opinion: Using Civil Right Litigation to Train Practice Ready Attorneys*, 2019 Biennial Empire State Legal Writing Conference (May 2019, New York).

[Bridging the Access to Justice Gap through Bilingual Education](#), 4th National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, American University (March 2019, Washington).

*Roundtable on Nonmarriage and the Law*, Arizona State University, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law (February 2019, Phoenix) [Commentator].

*Teaching the Personal as Political in the Age of Trump*, 2018 SALT Teaching Conference & LatCrit/SALT Faculty Development Workshop (October 2018, University Park).

*Building a Practice Ready, Theory Strong & Socially Relevant LAWRS Curriculum*, 2017 Empire State Legal Writing Conference (May 2017, New York); Sixth Annual Capital Area Legal Writing Conference (March 2016, Baltimore).

*The Crit Classroom: A Battlefield*, 2016 SALT Teaching Conference & LatCrit/SALT Faculty Development Workshop (September 2016, Chicago).

*Is Law an Effective Tool against Gender Bias? From the Classroom to the Boardroom: A Discussion about Gender Bias Workshop* [Roundtable] (April 2015, Louisville).

*Pensando en una Carrera en Derecho (Thinking about a Career in Law)*, UofL Workshop for First Generation High School Latinx Students Interested in law (September 2014, Louisville).

*The Effect of the Law School Crisis on People of Color*, Roundtable, Towards an Education for Justice: SNX Perspectives Conference. (July 2014, Bogotá).

*Spanish for Lawyers Workshop*, 3rd Annual MetroLALSA Conference Pa'lante: Raising the Bar (April 2013, New Jersey); 4th Annual MetroLALSA Conference Pa'lante: Arriba Juntos (April 2014, New York).

*Effective Lawyering Workshop* – A week-long workshop for the attorneys of the Ministry of Mines and Energy of Equatorial Guinea and Centurion Law Firm (main counsel to the Energy industry in the Gulf of Guinea) (June 2014, May 2013 - Malabo, Equatorial Guinea).

*Pipeline Programs*, Society of American Law Teachers' B.A. to J.D. Pipeline Program (December 2013, San Juan) [Commentator].

*Queer People of Color*, Diversity Day at Hofstra University (March 2013, New York) [Commentator].

*Marriage: For Gays, For Straights, or For No One?*, Day of Dialogue at Hofstra University (October 2012, New York).

[\*18 IUS SOLI-Il diritto di essere Italiani\*](#) [*18 Jus Soli-The Right of Being Italian*], A Round Table on the film by Fred Kudjo Kuwornu, Casa Italiana Zerilli-Marimò New York University (May 2012, New York).