

# ALEXIA BRUNET MARKS

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## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

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### 1. ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- **UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO LAW SCHOOL**, Boulder, Colorado, USA  
*Associate Dean for Curricular Affairs (2021-Present)*  
*Associate Professor (2009 – present) (Tenured)*  
Teaching: Torts, International Trade Law, International Business Transactions, Food Law & Policy, Business Law
- **UNIVERSITY OF COPENHAGEN, FACULTY OF LAW**, Copenhagen, Denmark  
*Research Fellow, iCourts*, Fall 2018
- **NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**, Chicago, Illinois, USA  
*Visiting Assistant Professor (2005-2009)*  
Teaching: International Trade Law, Energy and Oil Law, International Investment Law

### 2. OTHER EMPLOYMENT

- **ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY**, Washington, D.C., USA  
*Economic Risk Analysis Consultant*, June, 2006-2012. Assist the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, National Protection and Programs Division.
- **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**, Washington, D.C., USA  
*Special Counsel*, 2006-2007. In conjunction with Argonne, invited by the Under Secretary to develop and implement a risk assessment methodology to distribute over \$5 billion in counterterrorism grants to States, Urban Areas, Ports and Transit Systems.
- **BASCULE INTERNATIONAL LEATHER GOODS**, Atlanta, Georgia, USA  
*Founder and Partner*, 1992-1998. Founded and managed an import venture with Poland.
- **UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**, Los Angeles, California, USA  
CENTER FOR RISK AND ECONOMIC MODELING OF TERRORIST EVENTS, *Postdoctoral Researcher in Economic Risk Analysis*, Summer 2005
- **CITY OF CHICAGO**, Chicago, Illinois, USA. *Summer Legal Associate*, Summer 2003

## EDUCATION

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- **NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL**, Chicago, Illinois, USA  
*J.D., Cum Laude*, May 2005; Ralph Berger Prize & American Bar Foundation Scholar
- **PURDUE UNIVERSITY**, West Lafayette, Indiana, USA  
*Ph.D.*, Agricultural Economics, May 2005 & *M.S.*, May 1999; U.S. Department of Agriculture Ph.D. Fellowship, 1999-2005; Gamma Sigma Delta Honor Society, 1999-2005; National Science Foundation Fellow, 1999. Dissertation: *Protecting Only Part of Our Homeland: Vulnerability across States and the Allocation of Federal Terrorism Funds*
- **COLGATE UNIVERSITY**, Hamilton, New York, USA. *B.A.*, International Relations, May 1991.

## CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

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- 2021, Colorado Law School, Gordon J. Gamm Justice Award for outstanding work addressing critical issues in justice in publication: *Essential but Ignored: Covid-19 Litigation and the Meatpacking Industry*
- 2020, COVID-19 Working Group for Public Health and Social Sciences Research. Supported by the NSF-funded Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER) network and the CONVERGE facility, Natural Hazards Center, University of Colorado Boulder.
- 2019, Colorado Law School, Sandgrund Award for outstanding work addressing consumer rights in publication: *Feeding the Eco-Consumer*
- 2018, University of Copenhagen, Center for the Study of International Courts, Fellow
- 2017, University of Colorado, Provost's Faculty Achievement Award for writing *A New Governance Recipe for Food Safety Regulation*.
- 2015, Federalist Society, Faculty Business Section Research Award for writing *A New Governance Recipe for Food Safety Regulation*.
- 2011, Colorado European Union Center for Excellence, Faculty Research Grant
- 2009-10, Northwestern Searle-Kauffman Research Fellow on Law, Innovation & Growth

## PUBLICATIONS

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### **1. PEER REFEREED ARTICLES**

- *What determines Law Student Success? A Longitudinal Study Correlating Law Student Applicant Data and Law School Outcomes* (with Scott Moss), 13 JOURNAL OF EMPIRICAL LEGAL STUDIES 2, 205-265 (2016).
- *To Tow or Not To Tow: The Deterrence Effect of a Municipal Ordinance* (with Ronald J. Allen), 47 CRIMINAL LAW BULLETIN 3, 410-437 (2011).
- *The Judicial Treatment of Non-Economic Compensatory Damages in the Nineteenth Century* (with Ronald J. Allen), 4 JOURNAL OF EMPIRICAL LEGAL STUDIES 2, 365-399 (2007).
- *Community Choice between Volunteer and Professional Fire Departments* (with Kevin T. McNamara and Lawrence DeBoer), 30 NONPROFIT AND VOLUNTARY SECTOR QUARTERLY 1, 26-50 (2001).

### **2. LAW REVIEW ARTICLES**

- *Essential But Ignored: COVID-19 Litigation and the Meatpacking Industry* 14 NORTHEASTERN LAW REVIEW (forthcoming, 2021). Recipient of the University of Colorado Law, 2021 Gordon J. Gamm Justice Award for outstanding work addressing critical issues in justice.
- *Colorado Coronavirus Crisis Essential Food System Worker Policy Response Agenda*, (with Nicole Civita and Hunter Knapp), U. COLO. L. REV. FORUM (Aug. 20, 2020).
- *Taming America's Sugar Rush: A Traffic-Light Label Approach*, 62 ARIZONA LAW REVIEW 683, 683-734 (2020). Mentioned in Health Law Profs Blog: [https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/healthlawprof\\_blog/2020/12/taming-americas-sugar-rush-a-traffic-light-label-approach-1.html](https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/healthlawprof_blog/2020/12/taming-americas-sugar-rush-a-traffic-light-label-approach-1.html)
- *(Carbon) Farming our Way out of Climate Change*, 97 DENVER LAW REVIEW 3, 497-556 (2020).

- *Feeding the Eco-Consumer*, 42 VERMONT LAW REVIEW 3, 567-603 (2018). Recipient of the University of Colorado Law, 2019 Sandgrund Award for Best Consumer Rights Work.
- *A Right to Regulate (Cooperatively)*, 38 UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 1, 1-69 (2017).
- *A New Governance Recipe for Food Safety Regulation*, 47 LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO LAW JOURNAL 3 (2016). Reprinted in, Gostin, Lawrence O., ed. (2017). PUBLIC HEALTH LAW & ETHICS: A READER, 3d ed. Berkeley: University of California Press. Recipient of the University of Colorado, 2017 Provost's Faculty Achievement Award and Federalist Society, Faculty Business Section Research Award.
- *The Risks We Are Willing To Eat: Food Imports and Safety*, 52 HARVARD JOURNAL ON LEGISLATION 1, 125-172 (2015).
- *Check Please: Using Legal Liability to Inform Food Safety Regulation*, 50 HOUSTON LAW REVIEW 3, 723-785 (2013).
- *Under Attack: Terrorism Risk Insurance Regulation*, 89 NORTH CAROLINA LAW REVIEW 2, 387-46(2011).
- *An External Perspective on the Nature of Non-Economic Compensatory Damages and Their Regulation* (with Ronald J. Allen and Susan S. Roth), 56 DEPAUL LAW REVIEW 4, 1249-1278 (2007).
- *Arbitration of International Oil, Gas and Energy Disputes in Latin America* (with J. Agustin Lentini), 27 NORTHWESTERN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND BUSINESS 3, 591-630 (2007).
- *Beyond Enron: Regulation in Energy Derivatives Trading* (with Meredith Shafe), 27 NORTHWESTERN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND BUSINESS 3, 665-706 (2007).

### **3. BOOK CHAPTERS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

- *Nutritional Labeling: A Comparative Approach*, in RESEARCH HANDBOOK ON INTERNATIONAL FOOD LAW, Edward Elgar Press (Michael Roberts ed.) (Forthcoming 2022)
- *Food Safety in the United States*, in THE GLOBAL FOOD CHALLENGE: HOW FOOD LAW CAN BALANCE HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND ANIMAL WELFARE, Routledge (Cinzia Caporale, Maria Pia Ragonieri & Ilja Richard Pavone, eds., (2021)
- *An End to Terrorism Risk Insurance Regulation?* CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT, NOVEMBER (2011). Available online at [http://tuscany.gmu.edu/centers/cip/cip.gmu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/CIPHS\\_TheCIPReport\\_November2011\\_RiskManagement.pdf](http://tuscany.gmu.edu/centers/cip/cip.gmu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/CIPHS_TheCIPReport_November2011_RiskManagement.pdf)

### **ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS**

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#### *Racial Implications of Injustices in Food and Agriculture*

- University of Colorado Race and Law Series, (Mar.11, 2021)

#### *COVID Economic Disruption: The Global Supply Chain*

- University of Arkansas Law School, LLM Program in Agricultural & Food Law, Course on Food, Law and COVID-19 (Oct. 30, 2020)
- University of Colorado, Masters of the Environment Program, Food Law System Capstone Course (Oct. 2020)

#### *The Roles and Rights of Essential Food System Workers During COVID-19*

- University of Colorado Law Talks, (Aug. 25, 2020)

*Food Safety and Sustainability (work-in-progress)*

- University of Copenhagen, Faculty of Law, Conference: China, Sustainable Development and Decision making, iCourts, (Apr. 12, 2019) (invited)

*Taming our Sugar Rush: A “Traffic Light” Label Approach*

- AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, Biennial Research Forum, New York, NY (Nov. 9-11, 2019)(competitively selected)
- ACADEMY OF FOOD LAW AND POLICY, Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA (Dec., 2019) (competitively selected)
- University of Copenhagen, Faculty of Law, iCourts, (Nov. 22, 2018) (invited)

*(Carbon) Farming Our Way out of Climate Change*

- CONFERENCE ON EARTH SYSTEM GOVERNANCE, 2018 Annual Meeting, Utrecht, Netherlands, (Nov. 5-8, 2018) (competitively selected)
- EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, 2018 Annual Meeting of the Environmental Interest Group, in Heidelberg, Germany (Oct 15-18, 2018) (competitively selected)

*Feeding the Eco-Consumer*

- University of Arizona School of Law, Sustainability Conference of American Legal Educators, (May 12-13, 2017) (competitively selected)
- University of Arizona School of Law, Sustainability Conference of American Legal Educators, (May 13-14, 2016) (competitively selected)
- Vermont Law School, Seventh Annual Colloquium on Environmental Scholarship, (Sept. 23, 2016) (competitively selected)

*A Right to Regulate (Cooperatively)*

- THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF COMPARATIVE LAW, YOUNG COMPARATIVISTS COMMITTEE, Second Workshop on Comparative Business and Financial Law, University of California-Davis (Feb. 5-6, 2016)(competitively selected)
- AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, International Economic Law Interest Group Workshop, Wharton Business School (Jan. 29, 2016) (competitively selected)
- AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, International Economic Law Interest Group Meeting, Heidelberg, Germany (Dec. 11, 2015) (competitively selected)

*A New Governance Recipe for Food Safety Regulation*

- FEDERALIST SOCIETY, Private International Law, Economics, and Development colloquium (Oct. 15-16, 2015)(competitively selected)
- University of California Irvine, Center on Globalization, Law & Society Conference on Transnational Legal Orders, Irvine, CA (May 13-14, 2015)(invited)
- AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, Mid-Year Meeting Research Forum, Chicago, IL (Nov. 8, 2014)(competitively selected)
- AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, International Economic Law Interest Group Meeting, Denver, CO (Nov. 1, 2014)(competitively selected)

*What determines Law Student Success? A Longitudinal Study Correlating Law Student Applicant Data and Law School Outcomes*

- MIDWESTERN LAW AND ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION, Annual Meeting (Oct.10, 2012)(competitively selected)

*Check Please: Using Legal Liability to Inform Food Safety Regulation*

- AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, International Economic Law Interest Group Roundtable (Oct. 23, 2011)(competitively selected)
- Rocky Mountain Junior Scholars Workshop, Brigham Young University Law School (Sept. 29-30, 2011)(competitively selected)
- MIDWESTERN LAW & ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION, Annual Meeting (Oct., 2010) (competitively selected)

*To Tow or Not To Tow: The Deterrence Effect of a Municipal Ordinance*

- University of Colorado Law School, Deals Colloquium (Jan. 27, 2011)(invited)
- CONFERENCE ON EMPIRICAL LEGAL STUDIES, Annual Meeting (Sept. 12-13, 2008)(competitively selected)

*Under Attack: Terrorism Risk Insurance Regulation*

- NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, SEARLE CENTER RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM ON INSURANCE MARKETS AND REGULATION (April, 2008)(competitively selected)
- SOCIETY FOR RISK ANALYSIS, Annual Meeting (Nov., 2007)(competitively selected)
- AMERICAN ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION, Annual Meeting (Jan., 2007)(competitively selected)
- LAW AND SOCIETY ASSOCIATION, Annual Meeting (July, 2006)(competitively selected)

*The Judicial Treatment of Non-Economic Compensatory Damages in the Nineteenth Century*

- CONFERENCE ON EMPIRICAL LEGAL STUDIES, Annual Meeting (Oct., 2006) (competitively selected)
- MIDWESTERN LAW & ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION, Annual Meeting (Oct., 2005) (competitively selected)

**SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE**

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- University of Colorado Race and Law Series, *Racial Implications of Injustices in Food and Agriculture*, (Mar.11, 2021)
- Colorado Law Talks, *The Roles and Rights of Essential Food System Workers During COVID-19* (Aug.25, 2020)
- Colorado Law Amicus (Law School magazine) (October 2018), *Curriculum in Focus: Food Law and Policy* (Oct., 2018): [Curriculum in Focus: Food Law and Policy](#) and (Oct., 2019): [Brunet Marks: Incentivizing Farmers to Adopt Sustainable Food Systems](#)
- Articles covering the publication, *What determines Law Student Success? An Empirical Investigation of Law Student Attributes & Success*: The Wall Street Journal Law Blog, July 13, 2015, by Jacob Gershman, [New Study Tries to Predict Law School Grades](#) ABA Journal Daily News, July 15, 2015, by Debra Cassens Weiss, [Is the LSAT Overrated by Law School Officials? Study Shows Need for Holistic Assessment, Profs Say](#)

## **SERVICE TO THE LAW SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY**

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### *Current Affiliations & Service:*

- Associate Dean for Curricular Affairs (July 2021-present)
- Member, Academic and Student Affairs Committee, 2021-present
- Faculty Mentor, Food Law Society, since 2016

### *Past Affiliations & Service:*

- Presenter, Colorado Race & Law Series, Mar. 11, 2021
- Supervisor, Colorado Law Postdoctoral Fellow Hunter Knapp, 2020
- Presenter, Colorado Law Talks, Aug. 25, 2020
- Member, Tenure and Evaluations Committee, since 2019-2021
- Presenter, University of Colorado, School of Environmental Studies, MENV Program, Oct. 7, 2019
- Member, Law School Admissions Committee, 2009 – 2019
- Presenter, Colorado Law Women’s Law Caucus, Women-in-Law-Day, 2018
- Organizer, Summer Workshop on Food Law & Policy, 2012 and 2017
- Presenter, Colorado Law Women’s Law Caucus, Women-in-Law-Day, 2017
- Presenter, Colorado Law Mini Law School, “Current Topics in Food Law”, Fall 2017
- Presenter, University of Colorado Law School, Homecoming Speaker, 2016
- Presenter, University of Colorado Law School, Law School Innovation Roundtable, 2015
- Vice-Chair, Law School Admissions Committee, 2009-14
- Advisor, Independent Study Students, 2009-11, 2013-14
- Faculty Mentor, Doman International Law Student Association, 2009-10

## **SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION**

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### *Current Affiliations & Service:*

- Trustee, Academy of Food Law and Policy, since 2019
- Member, American Society of International Law & Economic Law Interest Group, since 2009
- Member, American Bar Association, Empirical Legal Studies and Torts Section, since 2009
- Member, Society for Empirical Legal Studies, since 2009
- Reviewer, National Science Foundation Law and Society, since 2013
- Reviewer, Journal of Empirical Legal Studies, since 2017

## **SERVICE TO STATE & LOCAL COMMUNITIES**

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### *Current Affiliations & Service:*

- Task Force Member, Colorado Farm and Food Systems Policy Task Force, since 2020-2022
- Steering Committee, Project Protect Food Systems, since 2020-2021
- Elected Church Council Member, Atonement Lutheran Church, Jan. 2019-Jan. 2022

### *Past Affiliations & Service:*

- Crossing Guard Director, Boulder Valley School District, Bear Creek Elementary, 2019