

# STRATOS N. PAHIS

## ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

2023 – Present	<b>Brooklyn Law School</b> <i>Associate Professor of Law (July 2024 - ), Assistant Professor of Law (July 2023 – June 2024); Co-Director of Block Center on International Business Law. Courses taught: Int'l Trade Law, Public Int'l Law, Int'l Economic Law Colloquium.</i>
Spring 2024	<b>Columbia Law School</b> <i>Visiting Assistant Professor of Law. Courses taught: Int'l Trade Law.</i>
2021 – 2023	<b>Wake Forest University School of Law</b> <i>Assistant Professor of Law. Courses taught: Int'l Trade Law; Contracts.</i>
2018 – 2021	<b>New York University School of Law</b> <i>Acting Assistant Professor of Lawyering. Courses taught: Lawyering.</i>
2018 – 2020	<b>University of Pennsylvania Law School</b> ( <i>while at WilmerHale/NYU</i> ) <i>Lecturer. Courses Taught: Int'l Arbitration; Int'l Investment Law (w/ Gary Born).</i>
Spring 2016	<b>Universidad de San Andrés</b> , Buenos Aires, Argentina ( <i>on leave from WilmerHale</i> ) <i>Visiting Professor of Law. Courses taught: Law and Economics (in Spanish).</i>
Fall 2016	<b>European University Institute</b> , Florence, Italy ( <i>on leave from WilmerHale</i> ) <i>Visiting Researcher. Research: Int'l law on sovereign debt.</i>
2009 – 2010	<b>International Commission of Jurists</b> , Geneva, Switzerland <i>Robert L. Bernstein Fellow in International Human Rights (post-graduate fellowship from Yale Law School). Research: Int'l investment law and human rights law.</i>
Spring 2003	<b>Benemérita Universidad Autónoma de Puebla</b> , Mexico <i>John Sloan Dickey Research Fellow (research fellowship from Dartmouth College). Research: Impact of trade policies on Mexican automotive industry.</i>

## EDUCATION

2006 – 2009	<b>Yale Law School</b> J.D., 2009 John M. Olin Fellow in Law and Economics Robert L. Bernstein Fellow in International Human Rights Articles Editor, Editor, <i>Yale Journal of International Law</i>
2004 – 2005	<b>La Universidad Complutense de Madrid</b> , Madrid, Spain M.A., International Development, 2005 Thesis: “Synergistic Approaches to Sustainable Development and Climate Change Mitigation” (Grade: 9.5/10)
2000 – 2004	<b>Dartmouth College</b> A.B., Economics, Government (minor), 2004 <i>Summa cum laude</i> (top 5% of graduating class); Phi Beta Kappa John Sloan Dickey Research Fellow Reynolds Graduate Fellow Citation in International Trade Seminar (Economics) Study abroad in Puebla, Mexico and Athens, Greece

## **PUBLICATIONS & WORKS-IN-PROGRESS**

*A New Trade Law Strategy for the US and the Rest* (in progress)

*The Treatment of Externalities in International Investment Law: Implications for the Climate* (in progress)

“The WTO Constraint on Industrial Policy: Over-Inclusive, Under-Inclusive, Ineffective, Self-Destructive” in *INTERNATIONAL TRADE, INDUSTRIAL POLICY & NATIONAL SECURITY IN TODAY’S WORLD* (M. Janow, P. Mavroidis eds., forthcoming 2026).

[\*The Federal Circuit Rules the Trump Tariffs Are Illegal\*](#), LAWFARE, Sep. 3, 2025.

[\*This Is \(Not\) an Emergency: On the Trump Tariffs and Emergency Powers\*](#), 64 COLUM. J. TRANSNAT'L L. (forthcoming 2025).

[\*An Autopsy of the Appellate Body and the Rule of Law\*](#), U. PENN. J. INT’L L. (forthcoming 2025).

[\*Are Investment Treaties Redundant? Evidence from Investor-State Disputes\*](#), 40 ICSID REV. - FOREIGN INVEST. L.J. 73 (2025) (peer-reviewed).

[\*Can Plurilateral Agreements Solve the WTO’s National Security Crisis?\*](#) 26 J. WORLD INVEST. & TRADE 189 (2025) (peer-reviewed).

[\*Appeals After the Appellate Body\*](#), 23 WORLD TRADE REV. 296 (2024) (peer-reviewed).

[\*Rethinking International Investment Law: Form, Function, and Reform\*](#), 63 VA. J. INT’L L. 447 (2023).

[\*Preserving the Crown Jewel\*](#) (book review of PETROS MAVROIDIS, *THE WTO DISPUTE SETTLEMENT: HOW, WHERE AND WHY?* 26 J. INT’L ECON. L. 384 (2023)).

[\*BITs and Bonds: The International Law and Economics of Sovereign Debt\*](#), 115 AM. J. INT’L L. 242 (2021) (peer-reviewed) **\*Winner of the 2022 Francis Deák Prize for best article published in the *American Journal of International Law* by a younger author.\***

[\*The African Debt Crisis and International Arbitration\*](#), Afronomics Law and African Sovereign Debt Justice Network Paper Series (2021).

[\*Investment Misconceived: The Investment-Commerce Distinction in International Investment Law\*](#), 45 YALE J. INT’L L. 69 (2020). **\*Cited in SCHREUER’S COMMENTARY ON THE ICSID CONVENTION (3d ed. 2022).\***

“United States” in *THE INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION REVIEW* 515-537 (James Carter ed., 2018) (with James Carter and Sabrina Lee).

“United States” in *THE INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION REVIEW* 527-546 (James Carter ed., 2017) (with James Carter and Sabrina Lee).

[\*Bilateral Investment Treaties and International Human Rights Law: Harmonization through Interpretation\*](#) (International Commission of Jurists 2011).

[\*Corruption in Our Courts: What It Looks Like and Where It Is Hidden\*](#), 118 YALE L. J. 1900 (2009).

## **PRACTICE EXPERIENCE**

2012 – 2018

**Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP**, New York, USA

*Counsel, Senior Associate, International Arbitration Group.* Indicative representations: Represented global pharmaceutical company in a denial of justice claim arising from a \$200 million USD civil judgment, in an investor-State arbitration under the UNCITRAL Rules seated in London. • Obtained complete victory against contractual breach claims on behalf of global automotive corporation in a multibillion-euro technology-sharing and cross-shareholding dispute, in an ICC arbitration seated in London. • Represented leading global semiconductor technology manufacturer in multibillion dollar IP and licensing dispute, involving multiple proceedings worldwide, including ICDR arbitration, seated in New York. • Obtained favorable settlement for global hydropower and paper plant supplier in a construction dispute valued at over €250 million euro, in an ICC arbitration seated in Paris. • Obtained settlement of 110% of contract price plus interest representing Mexican affiliate of global apparel corporation in breach of contract claim relating to the sale of intellectual property, in an ICDR arbitration seated in New York. • Negotiated favorable settlement agreement on behalf of Italian apparel company for the dismissal of claims against it in Greek court. • Represented leading global footwear and apparel company in a multimillion-euro dispute with European distributor, with dual proceedings in Germany and in JAMS arbitration, seated in Boston, Massachusetts. • Investigated the closure of a manufacturing plant in Central America and its liability to factory workers and presented white paper to the United States Trade Representative on behalf of global apparel corporation. • Conducted research for second edition of Gary Born's Treatise on International Commercial Arbitration.

2010 – 2012

**Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP**, New York, USA

*Associate, Litigation Department.* Represented financial institutions in complex securities litigation in New York State and Federal Court. • Conducted internal investigations into alleged bribery and reviews of compliance mechanisms under Foreign Corrupt Practices Act for global hospitality and telecommunications corporations. • Obtained favorable settlement for global law firm against charges of fraud. • Represented, on a pro-bono basis, various victims of home-mortgage modification scams in a civil suit in New York State Court against national scam-companies. • Successfully obtained political asylum, on a pro-bono basis, for Syrian national who had been the victim of retaliation stemming from sensitive documents released by *Wikileaks*.

## **PRESENTATIONS AND PANELS**

Sept. 29, 2025*	<i>The WTO Legal Constraint on Industrial Policy</i> Industrial Policy and National Security Seminar, Columbia Law School
May 16, 2025*	<i>An Autopsy of the Appellate Body and the Rule of Law</i> ASIL International Economic Law Biennial Conference, U. Michigan
April 29, 2025*	<i>A Social Welfare Analysis of International Investment and Climate Protection</i> ISDS Academic Forum, European University Institute, Florence, Italy
April 21, 2025	<i>Trade and Tariffs – A Brief History</i> (Guest Lecture) U. Florida Levin College of Law
Nov. 16, 2024	<i>Are Investment Treaties Redundant?</i> American Society of International Law Midyear Research Forum, U. Chicago
Nov. 1, 2024	<i>The WTO Security Exception in Today's World</i> (discussant) <i>Industrial Policy and National Security Seminar</i> , Columbia Law School
Sep. 27, 2024	<i>Are Investment Treaties Redundant?</i>

	International Business Law Scholars' Roundtable, Brooklyn Law School
Sep. 20, 2024	<i>Are Investment Treaties Redundant?</i> Junior Scholars' Workshop, Cardozo U.
Sep. 13, 2024	<i>Are Investment Treaties Redundant?</i> The Purdy Crawford Workshop on International Business Law, Dalhousie U.
Dec. 15, 2023	<i>Are Investment Treaties Redundant?</i> International Economic Law and Politics Workshop (Online)
Dec. 8, 2023	<i>Can Plurilaterals Save the WTO from the National Security Challenge?</i> Journal of World Investment and Trade Workshop (Online)
Oct. 6, 2023	USMCA Dispute Settlement (panel moderator) International Business Law Symposium, Brooklyn Law School
Sep. 30, 2023	<i>Are Investment Treaties Redundant?</i> ISDS Academic Forum, U. Michigan
June 28, 2023	<i>WTO Appeals After the Appellate Body</i> WTO Dispute Adjudications at Crossroads, European University Institute Workshop
April 10, 2023	<i>Rethinking International Investment Law: Form, Function, and Reform</i> U. Georgia, Faculty Colloquium
Nov. 10-12, 2022	<i>Rethinking International Investment Law: Form, Function, and Reform</i> ASIL Law Mid-Year Research Forum, U. Miami School of Law
Sep. 22-24, 2022	<i>Rethinking International Investment Law: Form, Function, and Reform</i> American Society of International Law International Economic Law Interest Group Biennial, Texas A&M U. School of Law
Sep. 14-15, 2022	<i>Rethinking International Investment Law: Form, Function, and Reform</i> Brooklyn Law School, International Business Law Scholars' Roundtable
Mar. 22, 2022	<i>An Investment Theory of International Investment Law</i> Wake Forest Law School, Faculty Development Talk
Mar. 14, 2022	<i>An Investment Theory of International Investment Law</i> Brooklyn Law School, Block Center International Law Colloquium
Jan. 14, 2022	<i>An Investment Theory of International Investment Law</i> Junior International Law Scholars' Association Annual Workshop (Online)
Nov. 12, 2021	<i>An Investment Theory of International Investment Law</i> American Society of International Law, Mid-year Research Forum (Online)
Oct. 15, 2021	<i>The African Debt Crisis and the Perils of International Arbitration</i> AfronomicsLaw and African Sovereign Debt Justice Network Paper Series (Online)
Mar. 24, 2021	<i>Reassessing Sovereign Bankruptcy in a Time of Global Economic Crisis</i> (Moderator) American Society of International Law, Annual Meeting 2021
Oct. 15, 2020	<i>BITs and Bonds: The International Law and Economics of Sovereign Debt</i> , Third Conference on Law and Macroeconomics, Yale Law School

Sept. 7, 2020	<i>BITs and Bonds: The International Law and Economics of Sovereign Debt</i> , DEBTCON 4, The 4 <sup>th</sup> Interdisciplinary Sovereign Debt Research and Management Conference, European University Institute and U. of Pretoria
July 13, 2020	<i>BITs and Bonds: The International Law and Economics of Sovereign Debt</i> , Junior International Law Scholars' Association Mid-year Workshop
May 28, 2020	<i>BITs and Bonds: The International Law and Economics of Sovereign Debt</i> , NYU Lawyering Faculty Scholarship Colloquium
Feb. 15, 2020	<i>BITs and Bonds: The International Law and Economics of Sovereign Debt</i> , American Society of International Law International Economic Law Interest Group Biennial, U. of Miami Law School
Jan. 11, 2020	<i>BITs and Bonds: The International Law and Economics of Sovereign Debt</i> , Junior International Law Scholars' Association Annual Meeting, Cornell Law School
Nov. 09, 2019	<i>Investment Misconceived</i> , ASIL Mid-Year Research Forum, Brooklyn Law School
Oct. 12, 2019	<i>The European Union's Role in Shaping the Future of Investor-State Arbitration</i> , International Law Weekend, Fordham Law School
Mar. 22, 2019	<i>Corruption in International Arbitration</i> (Moderator), 3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual International Arbitration Conference at Penn Law
Aug. 8, 2017	<i>Damages in International Arbitration</i> , Bogotá Chamber of Commerce, Bogotá Colombia
Jan. 6, 2017	<i>International Human Rights and International Investment Law</i> , Online Lecture, CLASCO (Latin American Council on Social Science)
May 15, 2016	<i>Economic Analysis of Contracts</i> Guest lecture, U, Congreso, Mendoza, Argentina

## **SERVICE & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

Brooklyn Law School: *Co-Director of the Dennis J. Block Center on the Study of International Business Law*: Organized two day-long symposia on international trade: “USMCA: Promises and Challenges for the Future of North American Trade” (Fall 2023); “The New International Economic (Dis)Order: On Trade, Security, and Industrial Policy” (Fall 2025). Organized three keynote lectures: Anu Bradford, Columbia Law School, “Digital Empires” (Spring 2024); Jose Alvarez, “Women’s Property Rights Under CEDAW” (Spring 2025); Greta Peisch, former General Counsel for USTR, “Future of US Trade Policy” (Spring 2026). *Brooklyn Journal of International Law* (Faculty Advisor); Accommodations Committee (Chair); Professional Development Committee.

Wake Forest: Appointments Committee; Intellectual Life Committee; and International Programs Committee. Faculty reviewer for *Wake Forest Law Review*, *Wake Forest Journal of Business and Intellectual Property Law*, *Wake Forest Journal of Law and Policy*; Supervisor, LLM Thesis.

Peer reviewer for *American Journal of International Law*; *Journal of World Investment and Trade*; *Journal of International Economic Law*. Member of New York Bar, American Society of International Law, and Junior International Law Scholars’ Association.

## **LANGUAGES**

English	Native
Spanish	Fluent (C2)
French	Advanced Proficiency (C1)
Modern Greek	Advanced Proficiency (C1)
Italian	Intermediate Proficiency (B2)