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# The 2024 J.B. and Maurice C. Shapiro Environmental Law Symposium

*Environmental Justice Solutions Summit: Strategic Litigation, Resilience, and Hope*

**Tasher Great Room (In-person)**  
**March 27, 2024**

**Jacob Burns Moot Court Room (Hybrid)**  
**March 28, 2024**

The George Washington University Law School | 2000 H Street, NW | Washington, DC 20052

# About the Symposium

The 2024 J.B. and Maurice C. Shapiro Environmental Law Symposium embraces a unique and interdisciplinary approach to the challenge of climate justice and environmental justice at the local, national, and global levels. Scheduled for March 27-28, this year's event assembles a diverse and distinguished group of speakers to address a wide range of cutting-edge topics. The event kicks off on March 27 with a keynote address from Professor Robert Verchick, and will include a book signing of his critically acclaimed book, *The Octopus in the Parking Garage*. March 28 features four panels to address youth community organizing and climate justice, climate change displacement and migration, strategic litigation to promote human rights and environmental protection, and environmental justice and public health. The moderators and speakers on these panels include nationally and globally renowned law professors, lawyers from private practice and nongovernmental organizations, community leaders, educators, and youth climate activists.

## Agenda

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### Day 1: Wednesday, March 27

**3:30 - 4 pm:** Introductions

**4 - 4:45 pm:** Keynote lecture

**Professor Robert R.M. Verchick**, Gauthier-St. Martin Eminent Scholar and Chair in Environmental Law,  
Loyola University New Orleans College of Law

**4:45 - 5 pm:** Q&A

**5 - 5:30 pm:** Book signing

*The Octopus in the Parking Garage*

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# Day 2: Thursday, March 28

**8:15 - 8:45 am:** Coffee and Continental Breakfast

**8:45 - 9 am:** Introductions

**9 - 10:30 am:** Youth Community Organizing and Climate Justice

**MODERATOR:** Trina Chiemi, Co-founder, FACE Intergenerational Justice

**PANELISTS:** Ayisha Siddiqi, Research Scholar, Center for Human Rights and Global Justice, New York University  
Dr. Alicia Maldonado Felix, Peruvian Youth Delegate to the UN (2020-2023)  
Juliana Toloza Serna, National Coordinator, Fridays for Future USA  
Siosua Veikune, Campaigner, Pacific Islands Students Fighting Climate Change

**10:30 - 11 am:** Coffee and Networking Break

**11 am - 12:30 pm:** Climate Change Displacement and Migration

**MODERATOR:** Randall S. Abate, Assistant Dean for Environmental Law Studies, GW Law

**PANELISTS:** Chhaya Bhardwaj, Associate Professor, O.P. Jindal Global University Law School, India  
Susan Crawford, John A. Reilly Clinical Professor of Law, Harvard Law School  
Camila Bustos, Assistant Professor of Law, Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University  
Dr. Omar Al Khataibeh, Environmental and Climate Change Lawyer, Amman, Jordan

**12:30 - 1:15 pm:** Lunch

(Box Lunches Available)

**1:15 - 1:30 pm:** Presentation of Grodsky Prize

**1:30 - 3 pm:** Strategic Litigation to Promote Human Rights and Environmental Protection

**MODERATOR:** Jarryd Page, Esq., Staff Attorney, Environmental Law Institute

**PANELISTS:** Amelia Burnette, Visiting Scholar and Professorial Lecturer in Law, GW Law  
Samantha Derksen, Esq., Associate, Hausfeld, LLP  
Leonardo Crippa, Esq., Senior Attorney, Indian Law Resource Center  
Paul Rink, Visiting Assistant Professor of Law, Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University

**3 - 3:30 pm:** Coffee and Networking Break

**3:30 - 5 pm:** Environmental Justice and Public Health

**MODERATOR:** Christine Appah-Gyamfi, Professorial Lecturer in Law, GW Law

**PANELISTS:** Rebecca Bratspies, Professor of Law, CUNY School of Law  
Carlton Waterhouse, Professor of Law, Howard University School of Law  
Arielle King, Esq., Environmental Justice Educator and Strategist  
Brittany Shaar, Esq., Associate Attorney, Southern Environmental Law Center



# Participants



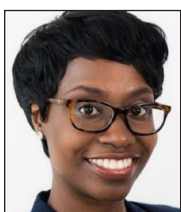
## Randall Abate

Randall S. Abate is the Assistant Dean for Environmental Law Studies and a Professorial Lecturer in Law at The George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C. Prior to joining GW Law in July 2022, he held full-time law teaching positions for three decades at six U.S. law schools. From 2018-2022, he served as the inaugural Rechnitz Family and Urban Coast Institute Endowed Chair in Marine and Environmental Law and Policy and as the Director of the Institute for Global Understanding at Monmouth University in New Jersey from 2020-2022. His areas of expertise are domestic and international environmental law, climate change law and justice, ocean and coastal law, and animal law. With a focus on climate change law and justice, Dean Abate has lectured and taught courses in more than 20 countries on six continents. He has published six books, including *Climate Change and the Voiceless: Protecting Future Generations, Wildlife, and Natural Resources*, and about 40 law journal articles and book chapters. He holds a B.A. from the University of Rochester and a JD and MSL (Environmental Law and Policy) from Vermont Law School.



## Dr. Omar Al Khataibeh

Dr. Omar Al Khataibeh is a lawyer in Amman, Jordan. He has handled climate change migration cases since 1993 and is a partner lawyer in the Jordan office of the UNHCR (The UN Refugee Agency). He is the founder of the Al Khataibeh Center for Arbitration, Law, and Legal Training in Amman and serves as Vice President of the Jordanian Center for Climate Change and Sustainability. Dr. Al Khataibeh is also a Board member of the Association of Environmental Law Lecturers in Middle East and North African Universities (ASSELLMU) and a Senior Fellow at the Centre for International Sustainable Development Law (CISDL). He is a widely published author of books and articles on many areas of law, including climate change and the protection of the rights of Syrian refugees in Jordan. He holds a bachelor's in law degree from the University of Jordan and a PhD in Public Law from Amman Arab University.



**Christine Appah-Gyamfi** is an environmental justice advocate and professor. Effective in January 2024, she leads the *"Access to Justice, Environmental Justice Clinic"* at GW Law. She has extensive experience in environmental health, housing, food justice, and civil rights issues. A dedicated educator and mentor, she teaches courses on environmental justice as an adjunct professor at

The Climate School at Columbia University and the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law. Ms. Appah-Gyamfi's career encompasses many areas of community-based advocacy and support. She has worked as a senior staff attorney in the Environmental Justice Program at New York Lawyers for the Public Interest where she led campaigns on children's environmental health issues. She previously served as a regional director at the New York State Division of Human Rights and worked

as a staff attorney in the Civil Division of The Legal Aid Society of New York focusing on safe and affordable housing. She was an inaugural member of New York City's Environmental Justice Board and was a mayoral appointee to the OneNYC Advisory Board. Ms. Appah-Gyamfi is a frequent guest presenter on environmental justice and her work has been featured in various media outlets. She has been recognized as a Next City Vanguard Fellow and as a Hunter College New York City Food Policy Center "40 under 40" award winner for her work on environmental and food justice policy.

Ms. Appah-Gyamfi graduated magna cum laude from The City College of New York (CUNY) and received her JD from Duke University School of Law. She is a graduate of the New York City Environmental Law Leadership Institute and The Campaign School at Yale.



## Chhaya Bhardwaj

Professor Chhaya Bhardwaj is an Alexander Von Humboldt Climate Protection Fellow in Germany and a Visiting Fellow at The George Washington University Law School. Her home institution is O.P. Jindal Global University, where she is an Associate Professor. She received her LL.M. in Environmental Law from Vermont Law School in 2016 and is currently enrolled as a PhD Candidate at Dublin City University. Professor Bhardwaj is a well-published scholar in climate change law, climate refugees, and climate change and migration. As a Visiting Fellow at GW Law, she co-authored a paper, *Enhancing Protection of "Climate Refugees" in Destination Hubs: A Comparative Analysis of Legal Mechanisms and Governance Challenges in the U.S. and India*, in the spring 2024 issue of the Harvard Human Rights Journal. Recently, Professor Bhardwaj contributed to the IUCN's written statement to the International Court of Justice about the ongoing climate change advisory proceedings, as a member of the advisory group. She has also contributed to the work of the International Law Commission between 2018 to 2021, specifically on the study group on "Sea-level rise and International Law."



## Rebecca Bratspies

Rebecca Bratspies is a Professor at CUNY School of Law, where she is the founding director of the *Center for Urban Environmental Reform*. A scholar of environmental justice, and human rights, Rebecca has written scores of law *review articles*. Her most recent book, *Naming Gotham: The Villains, Rogues and Heroes Behind New York Place Names*, won the New York Public Historians 2023 award for Excellence in Local History. Her co-authored textbook, *Environmental Justice: Law Policy and Regulation*, is used in schools across the country. Rebecca is perhaps best known for The Environmental Justice Chronicles—her award winning environmental-justice comic books, *Mayab's Lot*, *Bina's Plant*, and *Troop's Run*, made in collaboration with artist Charlie LaGreca-Velasco. EPA recognized this work with the 2023 Clean Air Act Award for Excellence in Education/Outreach. Learn more at [www.Rebecca.Bratspies.com](http://www.Rebecca.Bratspies.com).

Rebecca serves on NYC's Environmental Justice Advisory Board, is a member-scholar with the Center for Progressive Reform, a board member of the Environmental Law Collective, and a member of the NYC Bar Environmental Committee. ABA-SEER honored her work with its 2021 Commitment to Diversity and Justice Award. She was named the Center for International Sustainable Development Law's 2022 International Legal Specialist for Human Rights Award, and her

environmental justice advocacy has been awarded the PSC-CUNY “In It Together” Award, and the Eastern Queens Alliance’s Snowy Egret Award. In 1994-95, Rebecca was a Luce Scholar seconded to the Republic of China Environmental Protection Administration in Taipei, Taiwan. Before that, she served as a law clerk to the Hon. C. Arlen Beam on the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals. She holds a J.D. *cum laude* from the University of Pennsylvania and a B.A. in Biology from Wesleyan University.



### Amelia Burnette

Amelia is a visiting scholar at The George Washington University Law School and a PhD researcher with the University of Strathclyde, in Glasgow, Scotland, where she pursued her research with the support of a Fulbright award. Amelia’s research examines a rights-based approach to redressing environmental harms, with a focus

on adjudication in the context of climate change. Amelia previously practiced law in the United States for over a decade, most recently as a senior attorney with the Southern Environmental Law Center where she advocated for the protection of forests, biodiversity, water resources, and for proper accounting of climate impacts and planning for resiliency. Through complex litigation before federal and state courts, she has developed expertise in the role of strategic litigation in environmental advocacy and its relationship to policy landscapes. She currently serves as a director for the Climate Change Legal Initiative and teaches a Human Rights and Environmental Protection course at GW Law. She has lectured previously on international climate change law and presents on a range of issues relating to climate change governance, forests, biodiversity, and human rights. Amelia obtained her J.D. from the University of North Carolina and practiced complex litigation early in her career with a law firm.



### Camila Bustos

Camila Bustos is an Assistant Professor at the Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University. Professor Bustos was a Visiting Assistant Professor of Human Rights at Trinity College and a Clinical Supervisor in human rights practice at the University Network for Human Rights. She also served as a term law clerk to Justice Steven D.

Ecker of the Connecticut Supreme Court and as a consultant with the International Refugee Assistance Project (IRAP).

Professor Bustos is a graduate of Yale Law School, where she received the Francis Wayland Prize and was a Switzer Foundation Fellow and a Paul & Daisy Soros Fellow. During law school, she worked at the Center for Climate Integrity, the Climate Litigation Network, and EarthRights International. Professor Bustos also co-founded Law Students for Climate Accountability, a national law student-led movement pushing the legal industry to phase out fossil fuel representation and support a just, livable future. Prior to law school, she worked as a human rights researcher at the Center for the Study of Law, Justice, and Society (Dejusticia) in Colombia.

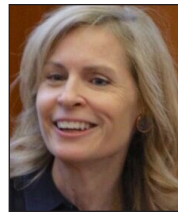
Professor Bustos’s writing has appeared in *The Guardian*, the *Yale Journal of Law and Feminism*, the ABA Human Rights Magazine, and the first legal casebook on Earth Law. Her research and scholarship focus on human rights law, environmental law, international environmental law, and climate change law.



### Trina Chiemi

Trina Chiemi (*she/they*) is a founding co-chair of FACE Intergenerational Justice and a Research Associate at the Institute for Governance and Sustainable Development (IGSD). Their research focuses on using law and policy to ensure inter-generational climate justice, particularly through near-term climate mitigation. Trina holds a B.A.

in Political Science and Peace, War & Defense from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a joint minor with Duke University in Politics, Philosophy & Economics. They are currently a J.D. candidate at Vermont Law & Graduate School. Trina is leading FACE’s youth amicus campaign before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights on its advisory opinion request on the Climate Emergency and Human Rights. They are also a part of YOUNGO’s policy team and helped coordinate the [2023 Global Youth Statement](#).



### Susan Crawford

Susan Crawford is the John A. Reilly Clinical Professor of Law at Harvard Law School. She previously was Obama’s special assistant to the president for science, technology, and innovation policy and co-led the FCC transition team between his and the Bush administrations. Earlier in her career, Crawford was a partner at Wilmer,

Cutler & Pickering. As an academic, she teaches courses about climate adaptation and public leadership. Crawford is the author of several books, including *Captive Audience: The Telecom Industry and Monopoly Power in the New Gilded Age* and *Fiber, The Coming Tech Revolution and Why America Might Miss It*. Her latest is *Charleston: Race, Water, and the Coming Storm*. She is one of *Politico*’s 50 Thinkers, Doers and Visionaries Transforming Politics in 2015; one of *Fast Company*’s Most Influential Women in Technology (2009); an IP3 Awardee (2010); one of *Prospect Magazine*’s Top Ten Brains of the Digital Future (2011); and one of *TIME Magazine*’s Tech 40: The Most Influential Minds in Tech (2013). Ms. Crawford received her B.A. and J.D. from Yale University. She served as a clerk for Judge Raymond J. Dearie of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York.



### Leonardo Crippa

Leonardo A. Crippa, a descendant of the Kolla people located in the Northwest of Argentina, is an international law scholar and practitioner with substantial legal experience and a Senior Attorney at the Indian Law Resource Center. He received his law degree from the Universidad Nacional de Tucuman, Argentina, and an LL.M. degree from

American University. He previously worked at the Center for Justice and International Law in Costa Rica. For more than 20 years, Mr. Crippa has practiced law in the field of human rights focusing on issues at the intersection of environmental and social governance (ESG) and the rights of indigenous peoples. He was engaged in the development of the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples adopted by the General Assembly of the Organization of American States in 2016. Mr. Crippa has also represented several human rights victims and indigenous communities in cases before the bodies of the Inter-American Human Rights System. He is the author of several book chapters and law review articles on international law and multi-lateral development banks.





### Samantha Derksen

Samantha Derksen is an Associate at Hausfeld, where she works on various complex litigation matters, including matters relating to human rights, environmental protection, and climate change. For many years, Hausfeld has represented youth climate activists in their mission to stop climate change, and, specifically, to ensure

that countries are held responsible for their contributions to climate change. Previously, Hausfeld represented children from 16 countries, including Greta Thunberg, in an action before the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child, seeking to hold large emitters responsible for their failure to protect them against climate change. Most recently, Samantha took the lead in Hausfeld's representation of youth climate activist organization FACE Intergenerational Justice in its amicus curiae submission to the Inter-American Court of Human Rights as part of the advisory proceedings on climate change. Samantha began working on climate change about fifteen years ago, when she focused on the complex interplay between climate change and international trade. Samantha obtained her JD with highest honors from the George Washington University Law School. In her free time, she enjoys getting out into nature, especially while hiking or cycling.

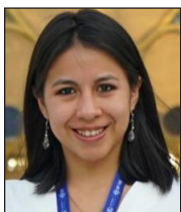


### Arielle V. King

Arielle V. King works at the intersection of environmental justice, climate optimism, culture, and media. As an educator, consultant, and strategist, she is dedicated to helping make environmentalism inclusive, accessible, and irresistible for all. With a background in environmental racism analysis, civil rights law, and community engagement,

Arielle actively supports lobbying and community initiatives, facilitating ongoing dialogues about addressing environmental issues in a more equitable and accessible way. A seasoned lecturer, she shares her expertise on environmental justice policy, climate communications and storytelling, and climate optimism at academic institutions across the United States. Arielle is also the host of *The Joy Report*, a podcast dedicated to sharing positive climate stories through the lens of intersectionality and justice.

In addition to her environmental legal advocacy and communications experience, Arielle is involved in the sustainable fashion space, providing insights and collaborating with brands to advance a more circular, ethical fashion industry. Arielle has over a decade of experience as an event coordinator, and recently oversaw a side event venue and co-organized a Blue Zone pavilion during COP28 in Dubai. Arielle holds a B.A. in Environmental and Sustainability Studies from Bard College, a Master's in Environmental Law and Policy from Vermont Law School, and a J.D. from Vermont Law School focused on civil rights law and environmental justice. She is on the board of directors of Our Climate and Positive Tracks, the Advisory Board for the Chesapeake Legal Alliance, and she is a member of the Green Leadership Trust.



### Alicia Maldonado

Alicia Maldonado is a medical doctor from Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia in Lima, Peru. She is currently studying the MSc Global Health Policy at London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine. She has been the Peruvian Youth Delegate to the United Nations from 2020 to 2023,

leveraging Global South youth advocacy at UN meetings such as the Third Committee of the UNGA, the UN World Data Forum, World Food Forum and the ECOSOC Youth Forum. She had participated in the negotiations for the establishment of the UN Youth Office and the Youth Resolution. She was selected as part of the first cohort of the Climate Youth Negotiator Programme in 2022, in partnership with the Ministry of Environment of Peru, to participate as one of the first youth negotiators representing Peru at COP27 in Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt. In 2023, she served as Partnerships Support Officer at the Climate Youth Negotiator Programme for COP28. She is currently a member of the Red LAC por un Sistema Financiero Sostenible, a coalition of organizations focusing on climate finance advocacy. She is also part of the civil society global movement Debt for Climate, advocating for the cancellation of external debt as a means to enable a just and popular transition away from fossil fuels and a post-extractivist economy. She has also been part of the youth-led campaign AO Let's Go! led by FACE, which has worked towards a Youth Amicus Submission for the Inter-American Court of Human Rights Advisory Opinion on the Climate Emergency and Human Rights.



### Jarryd Page

Jarryd is a Staff Attorney at the Environmental Law Institute. Jarryd works at the intersection of climate change, policy research, and education. He works on a broad portfolio of projects at ELI, including the Climate Judiciary Project, public lands management, and sea level rise and coastal resilience. He has experience in both domestic

and international environmental law and policy issues. Page received his J.D. with Honors from The George Washington University Law School, where he earned the Charles and Kathryn Miller Environmental Law Award for excellence in the field of environmental law. He received his B.S. in Environmental Science & Policy from the University of Maryland and holds a B.A. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and an M.A. from the University of Kansas, both in Art History.



### Paul Rink

Paul Rink teaches torts and comparative environmental law as a Visiting Assistant Professor at the Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University. Paul has written academic articles on topics ranging from the household economic benefits of rainwater harvesting systems to a comparative analysis of the forestry policies in Indonesia

and Brazil. Their current research focus is on climate rights litigation and its role in the broader climate movement. After graduating with a Bachelor of Science from the University of Michigan in 2012, Paul spent a year and a half teaching soil science and environmental science to Singaporean students at Ngee Ann Polytechnic as a Princeton in Asia Fellow. They then extended their fellowship for an additional year, working on policy advocacy at the International Water Management Institute in Colombo, Sri Lanka. Immediately after earning their Juris Doctorate from Yale Law School and their Master of Environmental Management degree from Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies in 2019, they spent a brief stint in Australia working as a forest restoration consultant for Conservation International. Following this consultancy position, Paul researched the impact of business interests on international environmental law as a Fox Fellow in Mexico City before starting a position as a Global Staff Attorney at Our Children's

Trust where they supported administrative and litigious strategies to secure young people's right to a safe climate.



### Brittany Shaar

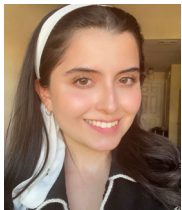
Brittany is an Associate Attorney in the Southern Environmental Law Center's Atlanta office, where she focuses her practice on environmental justice, coastal and climate resilience, and water quality across Georgia communities. She holds a B.A. from Vanderbilt University and a J.D. from NYU School of Law, where she served as Editor-in-Chief of the *Environmental Law Journal*.



### Ayisha Siddiqi

Ayisha Siddiqi is a Pakistani human rights and land defender serving as a Youth Climate Advisor to the UN Secretary General. In 2020, she co-founded Polluters Out, a global youth activist coalition, and helped launch the Fossil Free University, an activism training course. As part of her activism, Ayisha has helped organize multiple school strikes for climate action that mobilized hundreds of thousands of young people. She has directed and led campaign efforts at the international level to help achieve victories such as the Loss and Damage Fund at COP28. Her expertise in lobbying around climate negotiations has earned her recognition as a strategist among national and youth delegations in the UNFCCC.

As a research scholar at the New York University School of Law, Ayisha is studying cases at the intersection of human rights and environmental law. She sits on the board of the Home Planet Fund and is on the Steering Committee of the Youth Climate Justice Fund. Ayisha was recognized on the cover of TIME magazine as one of the Women of the Year 2023.



### Juliana Toloza Serna

As a Colombian-American director, Juliana Toloza Serna's environmental journey began with video content for Sustaining All Life. As a National Coordinator for Fridays for Future USA, she currently fosters connections among local groups nationwide and collaborates with international partners. Her activism extends to organizing environmental marches, mobilizing youth, and advocating for an equitable fossil fuel phase-out at global forums like the SDG Action Weekend, COY, and COP. She is part of the Fridays for Future New York City local group.

As a graduate of Florida State University's Motion Picture Arts program, Juliana brings a wealth of experience in film and documentary production. Her work has won top awards, including the "Audience Award" at the National Association of Latino Independent Producers Media Festival. Her commitment to inclusivity and representation drives her advocacy efforts within the media industry. Juliana remains dedicated to integrating climate solutions into her industry through storytelling.



### Robert Verchick

Robert Verchick is a legal scholar in climate change and disaster policy who designed climate-resilience programs in the Obama administration. He is the Gauthier-St. Martin Eminent Scholar and Chair in Environmental Law at Loyola University New Orleans and is a senior fellow in disaster resilience at Tulane University. His most

recent book, *The Octopus in the Parking Garage: A Call for Climate Resilience* (Columbia University Press, 2023), empowers nonexpert readers to face the climate crisis and shows what we can do to adapt and thrive.

Verchick has written more than 60 articles and four books, including the award-winning *Facing Catastrophe: Environmental Action for a Post-Katrina World* (Harvard University Press, 2010). He has taught as a visiting professor at Aarhus University, Peking University, and Yale University. In 2009 and 2010, he served in the Obama administration as deputy associate administrator for policy at the US Environmental Protection Agency. He serves as president of the board of the Center for Progressive Reform and is a member of Louisiana's Climate Initiatives Task Force, in Louisiana. His podcast, *Connect the Dots*, is in its eighth season. Verchick graduated with distinction and honors from Stanford University and with honors from Harvard Law School.



### Siosuia Veikune

Siosuia is from the Kingdom of Tonga. He is a Campaigner with Pacific Islands Students Fighting Climate Change (PISFCC) working on the ICJAO Campaign, which is the initiative to take the climate crisis to the International Court of Justice. He is an advocate for the merging of human rights and climate justice concepts to ensure the security of the Pacific's future. He holds a Bachelor of Law (LLB) from the University of the South Pacific.



### Carlton Waterhouse

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Dr. Waterhouse is an international expert on environmental law and environmental justice, as well as reparations and redress for historic injustices. In 2021, he was appointed by President Joe Biden in the role of Deputy Assistant Administrator for

the Office of Land and Emergency Management at the United States Environmental Protection Agency and nominated to the United States Senate to serve as the Assistant Administrator for the Office. During his two years serving in the Biden-Harris Administration, he oversaw the nation's programs for toxic waste site remediation, community revitalization and redevelopment through contaminated site cleanup, hazardous and solid waste materials management, chemical plant safety, and emergency response to toxic spills, fires, and explosions. He lectures globally on climate justice, reparations and reconciliation, and group-based inequality. In 2019, he testified on reparations before the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of American States and in 2018 he completed a Fulbright research fellowship in Brazil examining race and police violence. His views have been published in the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, and many other media outlets. His scholarship includes essays, articles, and book chapters focused on the ethical and legal dimensions of environmental justice and reparations. His forthcoming book with Cambridge University Press explores the historic and contemporary

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role of the United States Supreme Court in maintaining and dismantling racial dominance.

Dr. Waterhouse is a member of the International Sustainable Development Research Society, the National Academy of Sciences Climate Crossroads Advisory Committee, a board member of the Environmental Law Institute, and a former board member of the Natural Resources Defense Council. He actively participates in national and local organizations protecting civil rights and advancing environmental protection and justice. Dr. Waterhouse is a Professor of Law and the founding director of the Environmental and Climate Justice Center at the Howard University School of Law. The center conducts environmental justice research and advocacy that supports local communities confronting environmental injustices and provides policy interventions that promote environmental justice in local, national, and global arenas.

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