

CURRICULUM VITAE

Cecilia MEDINA QUIROGA, born in Chile, 17 November 1935

ACADEMIC DEGREES:

- Doctor in Law, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands (1988).
- License in Social and Juridical Sciences (summa cum laude) (1959), University of Chile.

CURRENT POSITIONS

- President of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (2008-2009) and Judge of the same (2004-2009).
- Co-Director of the Human Rights Center, University of Chile.
- Professor in International Law, Law Faculty, same Faculty.
- Member of the Academic Board of the Doctor's Programme, same Faculty.

FORMER POSITIONS IN CHILE

- Director of the School for Graduates, Institute of International Studies, University of Chile (1999-2001).
- Professor of International Law, University Diego Portales, Santiago, Chile (1992-1997).
- Adjunct Professor of Constitutional Law, Law Faculty, University of Chile (1969-1973).
- Under-Secretary and Rapporteur of the Constitutional Court of Chile (1972-1973).
- Private practice (1959-1968).

POSITIONS ABROAD

- Member of the UN Human Rights Committee (1995-2002), Vice-President (1997-1998) and President (1999-2000).
- Guest professor of the Robert F. Kennedy Chair for distinguished Latin-Americans, Harvard Law School, Harvard University (Cambridge, USA) (1997).
- Advisor to the Foreign Affairs Ministry of The Netherlands, to evaluate human rights projects in Colombia (1991-1993).
- Lecturer and researcher at the Netherlands Institute of Human Rights (SIM), Law Faculty, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands (1989-1994).
- Lecturer and researcher of the Europa Instituut, Law Faculty, University of Utrecht (1980-1988).
- Investigadora en la División Hispánica de la Biblioteca Legal, Biblioteca del Congreso, Washington, D.C., Estados Unidos. (1977).
- Legal advisor, Institute for the Development of Indian Law, Washington, D.C., USA (1976-1977).

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES IN CHILE AND ABROAD

- Director and professor of various courses for Latin American lawyers, judges, public defenders, prosecutors, civil servants, sponsored by various entities: Inter-American Court of Human Rights, Inter-American Institute of Human Rights, Supreme Courts of Paraguay, Honduras and México; different universities of Latin America; Utrecht University (Utrecht, The Netherlands); United Nations Program for Development (SURF-LAC) and Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights of the United Nations; Division for the Advancement of Women (DAW), UN; Economic Council for Latin American and the Caribbean Islands (ECLAC), UN, Peace Palace, The Hague, The Netherlands.
- Various courses and lectures on women's human rights: Inter-American Institute of Human Rights (San José, Costa Rica); Maastricht Centre for Human Rights and Women in the Law Project of the International Human Rights Law Group, Maastricht, The Netherlands (to draft the optional protocol to the CEDAW Convention); American Society of International Law: The evolution of women's struggle for equality within the framework of human rights; University of Toronto (1994); seminar for judges of the International Criminal Court: International Jurisdiction and Gender Justice (The Hague, The Netherlands)
- Various lectures: FLACSO and Council for International Education Exchange (for university professors on transition to democracy; Sixth World Congress of Constitutional Law: Do Status Matter?; International Human Rights Standards for an amendment of a Criminal Code (Specialized agencies of the UN, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic); Seminar "The Development Implications of Gender-Based Violence", World Bank (Washington D.C.); Workshop on Development and Violence against Women (World Bank and Inter-American Development Bank (ECLAC, Chile); seminar with the European Court of Human Rights, Inter-American Court of Human Rights and Utrecht University; seminar with the African Court of Human Rights, European Court of Human Rights and Inter-American Court of Human Rights, organized by the German Agency of Development Cooperation (GTZ), Berlin.
- Guest professor and lecturer in various universities and organizations: University for Peace of the United Nations (San José, Costa Rica); Law Faculty, University of Toronto, Canada; Law Faculty York University, Toronto, Canada; Mc Gill University (Montreal, Canada); Lund University (Sweden); American University (Washington D.C.); Human Rights Institute, Strasbourg, France; National University of Mexico (UNAM), University of Guatemala, National University of Paraguay, National University of Buenos Aires (UBA), Argentina, National University of Tucumán (Argentina), University of los Andes and University Javeriana (Colombia); ULACIT (Costa Rica); University of El Salvador.
- Advisor: NIVOS (The Netherlands): Evaluation of the Oficina Jurídica de la Mujer in Cochabamba, Bolivia.; Ford Foundation: Evaluation of various branches of Cladem (Latin-American and Caribbean NGO); Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Netherlands; Evaluation of three projects on human rights education in Colombia.

- Supervisor of various theses in Chile, The Netherlands (Utrecht y Maastricht) and the United Kingdom (Oxford).

SELECTED BOOKS AND MONOGRAPHS

- C. Medina y C. Nash, *Sistema Interamericano de Derechos Humanos: Introducción a sus Mecanismos de Protección*, Law Faculty and Human Rights Center, University of Chile, Santiago, 2007.
- *La Convención Americana: Teoría y Jurisprudencia. Vida, integridad personal, libertad personal, debido proceso y recurso judicial*, Mundo Gráfico, San José, Costa Rica, 2005.
- Centro de Documentación Defensoría Penal Pública, C. Medina (with the assistance of Claudio Nash): *Manual de Derecho Internacional de los Derechos Humanos para Defensores Penales Públicos*, Santiago, 2003.
- C. Medina and J. Mera (editors), *Sistema Jurídico y Derechos Humanos. El derecho nacional y las obligaciones internacionales de Chile en materia de Derechos Humanos*, Universidad Diego Portales, Santiago, 1996, 687 páginas.
- *Constitución, Tratados y Derechos Esenciales*, Introducción y Selección de textos, Corporación Nacional de Reparación y Reconciliación Santiago, 1994.
- *The Battle of Human Rights. Gross, Systematic Violations and the Inter-American System*, Martinus Nijhoff, Dordrecht, The Netherlands, 1988.
- C. Medina and R. Medina, *Nomenclature and Hierarchy. Basic Latin American Sources*, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C., 1979.

SELECTED CHAPTERS IN BOOKS AND ARTICLES IN JOURNALS

- TO BE PUBLISHED: “La Corte Interamericana de Derechos Humanos y las Mujeres; ¿Integración o Separación?”, in *Multilateralismo e Internacionalización de Género*, Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores, Chile.
- “Los 40 años de la Convención Americana sobre Derechos Humanos a la luz de cierta jurisprudencia de la Corte Interamericana” in *Anuario de Derechos Humanos 2008*, No. 4, Human Rights Centre, University of Chile, 2009.
- “Family members” and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, in *Diritti Individuali e Giustizia Internazionale*, Liber Fausto Pocar, Giuffrè Editore (up-dated version of my article for professor Fix Audio Liber Indecorum), Volume II, 2009.

- “La Corte Interamericana de Derechos Humanos y los familiares de las víctimas”, in *Homenaje al profesor Héctor Fix Zamudio (Liber Amicorum)*, México, 2008.
- “Derecho a la vida y libertad personal”, in Seminar on Human Rights, Supreme Court, Mexico, 2008. Online in Universidad Nacional de México (UNAM).
- “The bumpy road to human rights”, in: *Netherlands Quarterly of Human Rights*, 2008.
- “La situación de los Derechos Humanos de las Mujeres según el Comité para la Eliminación de la Discriminación contra la Mujer”, in *Anuario de Derechos Humanos 2007*, N°3, Human Rights Centre, University of Chile, 2008.
- “La situación de los niños y adolescentes en Chile a la luz de las observaciones del Comité de los Derechos del Niño de las Naciones Unidas al Tercer Informe Periódico de Chile”, in *ibídem*.
- “Observación General 16 del Comité de Derechos Económicos, Sociales y Culturales: Mujeres e Igualdad”, in *Anuario de Derechos Humanos 2006*, N°2, Human Rights Centre, University of Chile, 2007.
- “Volviendo a los orígenes: los derechos humanos de las mujeres”, in “Mujer Generación Siglo XXI”, Universidad de Chile, 2007.
- “Observación General 31 del Comité de Derechos Humanos de las Naciones Unidas. La índole de la obligación jurídica general impuesta a los Estados Partes en el Pacto”, in *Anuario de Derechos Humanos 2005*, N°1, Human Rights Centre, University of Chile, 2006.
- “Las obligaciones del Estado bajo la Convención Americana de Derechos Humanos” in *La Corte Interamericana. Un cuarto de Siglo 1979-2004*, Corte Interamericana de Derechos Humanos, San José de Costa Rica, 2005.
- “Políticas de Seguridad ciudadana, derechos humanos y administración de justicia”, in Comisión Andina de Juristas, *El enfoque de los derechos humanos en las políticas públicas*, Lima: CAJ, 2004.
- “Human rights of women: where are we now in the Americas?”, in A. Manganas (ed.), *Essays in Honor of Alice Yotopoulos – Marangopoulos*, Hellas y Bruylant, Athens, Greece and Brussels, Belgium, 2003.
- “Las restricciones a la libertad de expresión”, in *Sistema Interamericano de Derechos Humanos y Libertad de Expresión en Paraguay*, McCormick Tribune Foundation, Costa Rica, 2002.
- “The Human Rights Committee, State Reports and Gender Mainstreaming”, in F. Coomans et al (eds.), *Rendering Justice to the Vulnerable*, Kluwer Law International, Kluwer Law International, The Netherlands, 2000.

- C. Medina and F. González, “Country Law and Practice: Chile: National Security, Freedom of Expression and the Legacy of the Military Dictatorship”, in Sandra Coliver, Paul Hoffman, Joan Fitzpatrick and Stephen Bowen (eds.), *Secrecy and Liberty: National Security, Freedom of Expression and Access to Information*, International Studies in Human Rights, volume 58, Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, 1999.
- “The Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and Women, with Particular Reference to Violence”, in M. Castermans, F. Van Hoof y J. Smith, *The Role of the Nation-State in the 21st. Century*, Kluwer Law International, 1998, The Netherlands.
- “Towards Effectiveness in the Protection of Human Rights in the Americas”, in *Transnational Law and Contemporary Problems*, volume 8, No. 2, Fall 1998, University of Iowa.
- “Some Thoughts to Mark the 50th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights”, in *Reflections on the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. A Fiftieth Anniversary Anthology*, Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, The Hague, Boston, London, 1998.
- “The Role of Country reports in the Inter-American System of Human Rights”, en D.J. Harris y S. Livingstone, *The Inter-American System of Human Rights*, Clarendon Press, Oxford, 1998.
- “El Derecho Internacional de los Derechos Humanos”, in C. Medina y J. Mera (editores), *Sistema Jurídico y Derechos Humanos. El derecho nacional y las obligaciones internacionales de Chile en materia de Derechos Humanos*, Universidad Diego Portales, Santiago, 1996.
- “La Libertad de Expresión”, in *ibidem*.
- “La Jurisprudencia del Tribunal Europeo de Derechos Humanos”, in M. T. Infante y R. Cave (eds.), *Solución Judicial de Controversias. El Derecho Internacional ante los Tribunales Internacionales e Internos*, Instituto de Estudios Internacionales, Universidad de Chile, Sociedad Chilena de Derecho Internacional, Santiago, 1995.
- “Protección de la mujer y derechos humanos” and “Violencia contra la mujer y derechos humanos. El sistema internacional”, in N. de la Fuente and Mirtha Ulloa, *Cuadernos de Trabajo No. 1*, Universidad Diego Portales, Santiago, 1995.
- “Do International Human Rights Laws Protect Women?” in Joanna Kerr (ed.), *Ours by Right. Women's Rights as Human Rights*, ZED Books in association with The North-South Institute, 1993, Ottawa, Canada.
- “Towards a more effective guarantee of the enjoyment of human rights by women in the inter-American system”, in R. Cook (editor), *Human Rights of Women. National and International Perspectives*, University of Pennsylvania Press, 1994. (Also in Mandarin)

- “El aborto terapéutico y los Derechos Humanos”, in *Foro Abierto de Salud y Derechos Reproductivos, Simposio Nacional. Leyes para la Salud y la Vida de las Mujeres. Hablemos del Aborto Terapéutico*, Santiago, 1993.
- “The Right to Reparation for victims of gross, systematic violations of human rights: The experience of Chile”, in *Seminar on the Right to Restitution, Compensation and Rehabilitation for Victims of Gross Violations of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, SIM, Special No. 12*, University of Limburg, Maastricht, Human Rights Project Group, 1992.
- “A 1988 Universal Declaration of Human Rights”, in NQHR, Special Edition, 1989.
- “Women's Rights as Human Rights: Latin American Countries and the Organization of American States”, in M. Diaz-Diocaretz and I. Zavala (editors), *Women, Feminist Identity and Society in the 1980's*, John Benjamins Publishing Company, Amsterdam, 1985.

FOR PUBLICATION

- “The Inter-American system of Human Rights in *Manual on International Human Rights Law*, Abö Akademie, Finland

AWARDS AND OTHER DISTINCTIONS

2009	Chilean Women’s Leadership Award, Global Summit of Women.
2009	Decoration Commandeur of the Order Oranje Nassau, Kingdom of The Netherlands
2008	Premio a la Ciudadanía, Fundación Ideas.
2008	Member of the Council for the 50th Anniversary of the Jessup Contest.
2008	Eminent Visitor of Universidad Nacional de Tucumán, Argentina.
2007	René Cassin Awards, given by B`nai B`rith International, Chile Award “Mujer Generación Siglo XXI”, University of Chile.
2006	Women’s Prize, Gruber Foundation (New York)
2005	Valentín Letelier Medal (University of Chile)
2004	Elena Caffarena Award to distinguished Chilean women, Chile.
2003	“Prominent Women in International Law”, Women’s Interest Groups, American Society of International Law (Washington. D.C.).
2003	Decoration: Ridder of the Order Oranje Nassau, Queen of The Netherlands.
2001	Award of Equality Now (Women’s NGO New York).
1998	Appointment for life as honorary and founding of the Harvard Latin American Law Society.

LANGUAGES

- Spanish (mother tongue).
- English (fluent)
- Dutch (good)
- French (reading: good, speaking: poor).