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### EDUCATION

- 2011-2012 LL.M. Advanced Studies Programme in Public International Law, Specialisation in International Criminal Law, University of Leiden  
Thesis supervised by Professor William Schabas on “The Paradoxical Dynamics of the African Union towards International Justice: Good Will and Bad Faith”
- 2009-2010 *Master 2* Research in International Relations and EU Law, University of Paris Ouest Nanterre La Défense  
Thesis supervised by Professor Mathias Forteau on “The African Court of Justice and Human Rights: between Regionalisation and Universalization of the Judicial Settlement of Disputes within the African Union”
- 2009 Summer Courses of The Hague Academy of International Law, Public International Law Session  
General courses presented by Bruno Simma on “The Impact of Human Rights on International Law”
- 2008-2009 *Master 1* in International and EU Law, University of Paris Ouest Nanterre La Défense
- 2005-2008 *Licence* in Law and Political Science, Specialisation in Public Law, University of Paris Ouest Nanterre La Défense
- 2004-2005 *Hypokhâgne* (Preparatory Courses for the Arts Section of the École Normale Supérieure), Lycée Pasteur, Neuilly-sur-Seine
- 2003-2004 *Baccalauréat* in Science, Ecole Alsacienne, Paris

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Since Sept. 2015 **Assistant to Professor Alain Pellet**  
Conduct research and draft notes regarding a wide range of issues in public international law and investment law in relation to various consultations, arbitral proceedings and conferences
- Feb. 2015-2016 **Consultant for the International Court of Justice**  
Feb.-May 2014 Conduct research and draft notes regarding a wide range of issues in public international law  
Apr.-May 2010 Summarise Judgments, Advisory Opinions and Orders for publication  
Draft contracts for the provision of services  
Compile bibliographies in the cases pending before the Court
- Since 2012 **Assistant to H.E. Judge Mohammed Bedjaoui**  
Draft and translate notes from French into English regarding a wide range of issues in public international law in relation to various contentious proceedings

- Feb. 2012-  
Dec. 2014      **Assistant to Professor Guénaël Mettraux**  
Conduct research and draft notes regarding a wide range of issues in international criminal law and international human rights law in relation to a number of cases before various international jurisdictions (including the ICTR, the STL, the ECCC and the ICC)  
Analyse and synthesize voluminous sets of evidentiary material and identify similarities and inconsistencies in testimonies  
Translate legal documents from English into French  
Conduct research and draft chapters for the book *Human Rights in War Crimes Trials* (to be published)
- 2010-2015      **Adviser in public international law**  
Adviser for the Republic of Slovenia, within the Pleading Team led by Professor Pellet, in the *Arbitration concerning delimitation of the territorial and maritime boundary between Croatia and Slovenia*, the Permanent Court of Arbitration acting as Registry  
Adviser for the Republic of India, within the Pleading Team led by Professor Pellet, in the *Arbitration concerning delimitation of the maritime boundary between Bangladesh and India in the Bay of Bengal*, the Permanent Court of Arbitration acting as Registry  
Adviser for the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, within the Pleading Team led by Professor Pellet, in the *Dispute concerning delimitation of the maritime boundary between Bangladesh and Myanmar in the Bay of Bengal* before the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea  
- Conduct research regarding procedural questions and the law of the sea  
- Translate legal documents from French into English  
- Review and finalize the Counter-Memorials and Rejoinders  
- Assist in the organisation of the hearings
- June-Oct. 2009      **Intern at the International Court of Justice**  
Conduct research regarding a wide range of issues in public international law  
Compile bibliographies in the *Pulp Mills on the River Uruguay* case and the advisory opinion on the *Accordance with international law of the unilateral declaration of independence in respect of Kosovo*

## BOOKS AND ARTICLES

Tessa Barsac, *La Cour africaine de justice et des droits de l'homme*, Foreword by Mathias Forteau, Preface by Fatsah Ouguergouz, Pedone, 2012

Article in collaboration with Judge Daniel Nsereko and Manuel Ventura, "Expanding the Jurisdiction of the African Court on Human and People's Rights" (to be published)

Articles on "iLawyer, a Blog on International Law"

## LANGUAGES AND SKILLS

French: Mother Tongue  
English: Bilingual  
Spanish: Basic

Excellent computer skills, including Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook, Photoshop and the Internet

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

Legal expert for the African Union  
Member of the NGO "Peace and Justice Initiative" and participant on its behalf at the Fourteenth session of the Assembly of States Parties of the International Criminal Court  
Judge of the International Criminal Court Moot Court Competition 2014 and 2015  
Judge of the International Criminal Law Summer School Moot Court 2015  
Judge of the Telders Moot Court Competition 2015