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JEANNE SULZER

20 + years of practical experience in the fields of human rights, counter terrorism and international criminal law. I represented victims of international crimes and have expertise in strategic litigation at the national and international level including before the Extraordinary Chambers in the courts of Cambodia). I held senior positions with major international Human Rights organizations (Senior Policy advisor with Amnesty International France & International Justice Director with FIDH) and have extensive advocacy and training experience including on gender based violence. I teach International Criminal Law and Victim's rights (Sciences-Po Paris, Université Paris Saclay, Université Paris Nord Sciences-Po Paris) and prosecuting Terrorism at Paris II Panthéon Assas. I am a qualified lawyer to practice in France.

LITIGATION

IMPACT LITIGATION LLP

Lawyer Legal representation of victims before European courts

Since 2020

HISSENE HABRE CASE : CHAMBRES AFRICAINES EXTRAORDINAIRES / ATPDH

May – July 2016

Legal consultant on reparation Civil Party lawyers & ATPDH in the Habré case before the CAE: participation in expert workshop in Chad to identify needs in terms of reparation, participation in the drafting of the reparation filings before the CAE

UNAKRT/ EXTRAORDINARY CHAMBERS IN THE COURTS OF CAMBODIA

2008 –2012

Civil Party Lead Co-Lawyers Section, Senior Legal Officer (Consultant P3)

Coordinated 37 civil party lawyers (Cambodian and international) representing almost 4,000 civil parties in case 002; Drafted motions on complex issues of international criminal law; prepared questioning of witnesses, civil parties and experts

Office of Co-Investigating Judges, Legal Officer (P3/8)

Civil Party Team Leader: supervised team of Cambodian lawyers to conduct the legal analysis and admissibility of thousands of civil party applications; researched issues related to victims' rights, ensured the adoption of a comprehensive scheme for the common legal representation of civil parties

Legal Team Member: assessed criminal charges and evidence, drafted parts of the Closing Order, advised the judges in the review of internal rules and regulations of the Court.

ASSOCIATE LAWYER & COORDINATION OF THE FIDH LEGAL ACTION GROUP

2003-2008

Collected testimonies of victims of mass human rights violations from Algeria, Chad, Congo B, Mauritania to file criminal complaints before domestic (e.g. Habre in Senegal & Belgium, Congo "Disappeared of the beach", Ely Ould Dah, Rumsfeld cases in France) and international courts (for e.g. in the Democratic Rep. of Congo or CAR situations before the ICC)

HUMAN RIGHTS RESEARCH, DOCUMENTATION AND ADVOCACY

UN OFFICE OF COUNTER TERRORISM Senior Consultant

since Dec 2019

Research, develop and draft recommended model provisions for legislators to support victims of terrorism and to address victims' rights and needs (UNOCT, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU);

Develop Guiding principles and a common approach to how the UN can better support victims of terrorism for the Executive Committee of the Secretary General of the United Nations

OPENSOCIETY FOUNDATION FOR EUROPE (OSIFE) Senior Consultant

2017 –2019

Advocating for effective, transparent and non-discriminatory counter-terrorism measures in France Work with lawyers and NGOs within the network "Anti terrorism-Droits-Libertés" with a view to streamline and support strategic litigation to promote human rights while countering terrorism

OPEN SOCIETY JUSTICE INITIATIVE (OSJI), Senior Consultant

2017

Legal research on European and international standards on authorization and oversight of counter terrorism administrative measures

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TIPIK Legal Senior Consultant French expert for the Compliance assessment of EU Council Framework Decision 2002/584/JHA on the European arrest warrant	2017 –2019
AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL FRANCE, Senior Law & Policy Officer Head of Law and Policy; in charge of strategic litigation and drafting and representation of AI France before UN Treaty bodies	2014 –2017
FIDH / ARAB WOMAN ORGANISATION (Jordan) Head of human rights fact-finding delegation on Gender based violence against Syrian woman Head the FIDH / AWO delegation in Jordan to document violations on Syrian women including crimes of sexual violence and gender-based crimes. Author of, Sexual crimes in Syria Breaking the silence , April 2013	2013
INTERNATIONAL SENIOR LAWYERS PROJECT (ISLP), Senior Consultant Advocacy and Strategy for ISLP-Europe & Coordination of projects in Haiti	2012
INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS (FIDH) International Justice Director (July 2003 – February 2006) Representative to the United Nations in New York (October – December 2002) International Criminal Court Program Officer (October 1998 – July 2003) Head of the FIDH delegation to the ICC Preparatory Commission, Assembly of States Parties. Drafted FIDH-ICC related advocacy reports; Supervised FIDH campaign for the Universal Ratification and Implementation of the Rome Statute: conducted advocacy and training missions; Trained lawyers and human rights defenders on international justice and victims' rights	1998 –2006
UN Diplomatic Conference of Plenipotentiaries on the Establishment of an International Criminal Court Rome, Legal Adviser to the Burundi Delegation Drafted legal analysis and represented Burundi at the Like-Minded Group of States, Francophonie and African groups meetings	1998

TEACHING AND CLINICAL WORK

UNIVERSITE PARIS SACLAY, M2 Droits de l'Homme et droit humanitaire Lecturer – Contentieux Justice pénale internationale	Since 2021
UNIVERSITE SORBONNE PARIS NORD, M2 ONG et coopération internationale Lecturer - Justice pénale internationale	Since 2020
UNIVERSITE PARIS II PANTHEON ASSAS, M2 Justice pénale internationale Lecturer - Repression du terrorisme	Since 2020
INSTITUT D'ETUDES POLITIQUES School of Law Lecturer - International Criminal Law / Law Clinic, Member of Scientific Board & Tutor PSIA Lecturer - Victims' rights, International Justice and procedure	Since 2014
UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT, Study Abroad Program Paris Lecturer – “Introduction to International Human Rights Law” & “Advocacy & Human Rights”	2016 – 2019

VOLUNTEERING

Board member Syrians for Truth and Justice
Head of International Justice Commission Amnesty International France

BAR ADMISSION & MEMBERSHIPS

Member, Paris Bar (December 2005)
Member of UNDP ExpRes Roster on Sexual Violence & Rule of Law
Assistant Counsel, International Criminal Court (July 2007)

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SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- L'adoption du projet d'articles de la commission du droit international sur les crimes contre l'humanité, Actes des journées sur la justice pénale internationale, éditions Pédone, (à paraître)
- The real fight begins : Victims struggle for an effective right to reparation, The President on Trial : Prosecuting Hissene Habre, Oxford UP, 2020
- L'esprit de Rome, Annuaire de justice pénale internationale et transitionnelle, 2019
- « Comment rendre la justice pénale internationale effective et efficace ? », Revue internationale et stratégique, 2019/4
- Chronique Cambodge : les Chambres extraordinaires auprès des tribunaux cambodgiens, Annuaire francophone de justice pénale internationale et transitionnelle, 2015
- Implementing the principle of universal jurisdiction in France, Springer-Verlag 2007
- Le statut des victimes dans la justice pénale internationale émergente, Archives de politique criminelle n°28, Éditions A. Pédone
- Chapitre introductif, Le livre noir des crimes de Saddam Hussein, OH Éditions and Bernard Fixot
- Punir, dissuader, réparer : Ce que l'on peut attendre de la justice pénale internationale, Ed. Pepper, 2005

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