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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Dean Rusk Center – International, Comparative, and Graduate Legal Studies, University of Georgia School of Law **June 2004-present**
Athens, GA

Director, responsible for Rusk Center management and direction. Organized major policy/legal conferences on topics ranging from international trade to national security, see <http://www.law.uga.edu/conferences>. Manage the Graduate Legal Studies program (LL.M.), visiting international legal scholars and professors, global internship program, study abroad programs in China, Brussels, and Geneva along with other international legal studies and research programs. Recipient of the International Jurists Award, presented by President of India Pratibha Devisingh Patil in November 2009. Courses taught: *Law & Policy in International Trade; U.S.—China Trade Issues Under the WTO*; and *International Trade Law Practice and the WTO*, see <http://www.law.uga.edu/dean-rusk-center>.

Fleishman-Hillard Government Relations, Inc. **2002-2004**
Washington, D.C.

Vice Chairman of government relations and public policy subsidiary of Fleishman-Hillard, the largest public affairs communications firm in the world, with more than eighty offices around the globe. Practice focused on international trade and investment policy, national security, and foreign policy issues. For example, a major client was the government of Hong Kong, with attention to bilateral trade issues, human rights, constitutional reforms (universal suffrage), domestic security laws, one country - two systems, and other issues relating to Hong Kong's relationship with mainland China. Other clients included foreign and domestic corporations and trade associations relating to international trade.

Patton Boggs, LLP **2000-2002**
Washington, D.C.

Partner. Practice focused primarily on international trade and investment policy issues. For example, advised the government of Turkey (through a Turkish trade association) in its negotiations with the U.S. seeking trade concessions for national security partnership (prior to 9/11); attended the Doha WTO Ministerial Meeting in 2001 as a member of the Bangladesh delegation to advise a trade association on seeking trade benefits as a least developed country; worked on the WTO bananas case for the Dole Food Company;

represented Mars, Inc. in market access denial cases against Colombia; and assisted Wrigley in the U.S.-Singapore free trade agreement negotiations over Singapore's ban on chewing gum.

Ambassador

1998-2000

**Office of United States Trade Representative
Executive Office of the President**

Chief Textile Negotiator and principal adviser to the United States Trade Representative and the President on all textile and apparel trade matters. Nominated to the rank of Ambassador by President Clinton, confirmed unanimously by the U.S. Senate, and sworn in by Vice President Gore. Led all negotiations on trade agreements and World Trade Organization (WTO) disputes concerning the textiles and apparel sector, which represented over \$80 billion in trade in 1999 and was the largest employer in the manufacturing sector in the U.S. Negotiated major trade agreements with Cambodia (which included the first such agreement with labor provisions linked to trade benefits), Hong Kong, Turkey, Philippines, Romania, Macedonia, and Belarus. Led textiles part of U.S. Delegation to Seattle WTO Ministerial Meeting in 1999 and the U.S.-China WTO Accession negotiations. Heavily involved in the development of trade legislation during this period, including the Trade Act of 2000 (Caribbean Basin Initiative and African Growth and Opportunity Act) and the legislation granting permanent normal trade relations (MFN) to China. Led U.S. side in two separate WTO dispute cases against the EU and Pakistan.

Global Markets, Inc.

1995-1997

Johnson & Johnson, Attorneys

President of international trade and investment consulting firm focusing on the emerging markets in Eastern Europe and South Asia. Part-time law practice acting as corporate counsel to several related manufacturing companies engaged in international trade and limited lobbying and other consulting work. Also served on the board of directors of Sector Communications, Inc., a publicly Nasdaq traded company based in McLean, Virginia, which owned and managed a software company in Switzerland and a telecommunications company in Bulgaria.

U.S. State Department

1995-1996

Conducted seminars with new democratic legislative bodies in Ukraine, Slovakia, and Bangladesh on the subject of parliamentary reform under State Department and Former Member of Congress Association sponsorship.

University of Georgia

1995

Taught Legislative Process and Southern Politics in the Political Science Department, and Governmental Budgeting in the MPA program. Adviser to Dean Rusk Center for International and Comparative Law at the School of Law and to the European Center in Atlanta, which was established to foster academic, governmental, and economic relations between the Eastern Europe and the Southeastern United States.

Member, United States Congress **1993-1995**
10th District, Georgia

Member, House Armed Services Committee and Science, Space & Technology Committee. Delegate to the North Atlantic Assembly (NATO's legislative advisory body) in Berlin and Copenhagen and monitored Russia's first parliamentary (Duma) election in Moscow in December 1993. Selected by Speaker Tom Foley to serve as a member of the Speaker's Working Group on Policy. Assisted GATT and NAFTA whip organizations to secure passage of NAFTA and WTO Agreements by Congress. Principal focus on issues relating to budget reform, national security, international trade, and economic policy.

Georgia State Senator **1987-1992**
47th District

Chairman, Appropriations Committee (1990-1992), Vice Chairman, Judiciary Committee (1988-1990), Assistant Floor Leader for Governor Joe Frank Harris (1989-1990). Served on Appropriations, Rules, Judiciary, Reapportionment, and Transportation Committees. Original author of major legislation enacted to reform the state budget process, sovereign immunity, the ethical standards of public officials, and rural telecommunications. Chaired study committee on export promotion which helped spur reforms in Georgia's export promotion programs.

Johnson & Johnson and **1982-1992**
Johnson & Vandiver
Royston and Lavonia, Georgia

Partner in general law practice specializing in Corporate and Banking Law, and Civil Litigation. Member, Board of Directors of Tri-County Bank of Royston. City Attorney for Royston, Franklin Springs, and Canon, Georgia.

Powell, Goldstein, Frazer, & Murphy **1980-1982**
Atlanta, Georgia

Senior corporate associate in International and Banking Departments, concentrating on international trade and finance, licensing, foreign investment, and commercial and regulatory banking matters.

Continental Illinois National Bank **1978-1980**
Chicago, Illinois

Corporate counsel specializing in international banking, international trade finance, and bank regulatory issues.

United States Air Force **1973-1977**
Office of Judge Advocate General

Captain, serving variously as Chief of Civil and International Law and Trial and Defense Counsel. Assignments in California, Colorado, and Republic of Turkey.

**Committee on Ways and Means
United States Congress**

1973

Legislative counsel assisting in drafting foreign trade legislation, principally Trade Act of 1974, and wrote legal memoranda, briefing papers, and speeches on foreign trade for Committee Members.

BAR ASSOCIATIONS

Member of the Bar Associations of the District of Columbia, Georgia, and Illinois;
Member, Board of Governors, State Bar of Georgia (1986-1992).

EDUCATION

**London School of Economics
University of London**

1977-1978

Master of Laws (LL.M.) - International Economic Law, Comparative Law, European Community Law, International Economics and International Relations.

**University of Georgia
Athens, Georgia**

1966-1973

Juris Doctor (1973), Articles Editor, Georgia Journal of International and Comparative Law; National Finalist, United Nations (USA) Essay Contest; Vice President, Georgia Society of International Law

Bachelor of Arts (1970), Major: Modern European History

**The Hague Academy of International Law
The Hague, The Netherlands**

1972

Certificate in Private and Public International Law

Post degree courses at Harvard University and University of Denver, Graduate School of International Studies and School of Law, in writing, international monetary relations, and international investment law. University of Maryland, European Division, Business Law Instructor.

PUBLICATIONS

"Filartiga v. Pena-Irala: A Contribution to the Development of Customary International Law by a Domestic Court," 11 Georgia Journal of International and Comparative Law 335 (Summer 1981)

Note, "Self-Determination - A Reappraisal," 3 Georgia Journal of International and Comparative Law 145 (Winter 1973)

Book Review, The Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties, by I.M. Sinclair, Air Force Law Review, (Spring 1975)

Numerous Op-ed Columns, speeches, and other non-academic pieces on international issues appearing in The Atlanta Journal and Constitution, and other publications over the years.

RECENT SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Panelist, “U.S.-China Relations”, at a forum during the Zhijiang International Peace Conference in Hunan Province, China, September 10, 2010.

Panelist, “New Developments in U.S. International Trade Law”, at the International Section of the Georgia Bar Association meeting, June 24, 2010.

Speech, “U.S.-China Trade Law Conflicts”, at Peking University School of Transnational Law in Shenzhen, China, June 7, 2010.

Panelist, “China’s Emergence and the Transformation of Global Commerce”, at the Entrepreneur Advisors’ Entrepreneurial Education Symposium in Atlanta, GA, April 29, 2010.

Panelist, “EU/U.S. cooperation in counterterrorism after the Lisbon Treaty”, at the ABA’s Homeland Security Institute conference in Washington, D.C., March 3, 2010.

Speech, “Recent Developments in Trade Related Intellectual Property Issues”, at the annual meeting of the International Conference of Jurists, New Delhi, India, November 2009.

Speech, “Cross-Cultural Understanding, Respect and Dialogue in the Modern International Environment”, at the annual meeting of the Interfaith Cultural Organization, Athens, Georgia, October 29, 2009.