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EDUCATION

- 2008-2011 PhD, Dissertation Title: *Intellectual Property and Development: Theory and Practice*
Queensland University of Technology (QUT), Faculty of Law
Queensland, Brisbane, Australia
- 2007-2008 Doctoral Candidate/LL.D. Candidate
Law (Trademark Law)
University of Ottawa, Faculty of Law, Ottawa, Canada.
(Completed all course requirements and transferred to QUT)
- 2006 -2007 LL.M. (Masters of Laws specializing in e-commerce laws)
Columbia University
Columbia Law School
New York, United States of America
- 1999-2000 LL.M. (Masters of Laws, specializing in intellectual property law)
University of Buckingham, School of Law
Buckinghamshire, United Kingdom
- 1993-1997 LL.B – Law (Bachelor in Laws)
Faculty of Law, Yarmouk University
Irbid, Jordan

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS/ RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- November 2017 Sessional Academic
Queensland University of Technology (QUT), Faculty of Law
Queensland, Brisbane, Australia
- October 2017 Casual Lecturer
Southern Queensland University (SQU), School of Law and Justice
Springfield, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia
- September 2017 Research Visiting Fellow
Queensland University of Technology (QUT), Faculty of Law
Brisbane, Queensland, Australia
- 2013-August 2017 Assistant Professor of Business Law
College of Business Administration, Sharjah University
Sharjah, United Arab Emirates

Summer 2013	Visiting Scholar Windsor Law School, University of Windsor Windsor, Ontario, Canada
2012-2013	Visiting Academic, Assistant Professor of Business Law College of Business Administration, Sharjah University Sharjah, United Arab Emirates
2011- 2012	Postdoctoral Researcher Queensland University of Technology, Faculty of Law Brisbane, Australia
2005-2006	Full-time Lecturer Faculty of Law, Birzeit University Ramallah, Palestine
Summer 2002	Part-time Lecturer Faculty of Law, Al Zaytoonah University of Jordan Amman, Jordan
February-June 2002	Part- time Lecturer Faculty of Law, Al Balqa Applied University Amman Jordan

PROFESSIONAL EXPEIRNENCE

January 2016-current	Partner, Maraqa & Co. Attorneys & Legal Consultants Amman, Jordan
September 2012-current	Tutor for World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Academy, Distance Course on IP Management (DL-450), Geneva, Switzerland
August 2011-current	External Legal Consultant for Aiman Odeh Advocates and Legal Consultants, Amman, Jordan
2008-2010	Project leader and legal advisor, Creative Common Jordan, Amman, Jordan
May-August 2007	Legal Research Intern – Open Society Justice Initiative- New York, United States
February-May 2007	WIPO intern- WIPO Coordination Office – United Nations, New York, United States

2004-2005	Trademark lawyer, Al – Tamimi & Company Dubai, United Arab Emirates
2002-2004	Intellectual property and E-commerce lawyer, Abu- Ghazaleh Intellectual Property (AGIP), Amman, Jordan
October-June 2002	Legal consultant, Diver Shipping LLC Dubai, UAE
July-October 2001	Legal consultant, Abbas Al Hawai Law Firm Dubai, UAE
2000-2001	Trainee Lawyer, Dr Anis F. Kassim (Attorney and law office legal consultant) Amman, Jordan
1997-1998	Trainee Lawyer, AL Alwai Mansoor Jamal and Co. (formerly Mansoor Jamal and Co.) Muscat, Oman

PUBLICATIONS

Books/ Monographs

- 2013 *Intellectual Property and Development: Theory and Practice*. Berlin: Springer.
- 2006 *Critical Review of the Proposed Palestinian Electronic Commerce and Signature Laws*. Ramallah: Ford Foundation Publications (Arabic).

Peer Reviewed Articles

- 2017 “The Ratification and Implementation of the Marrakesh Treaty in the Arab Gulf States”. *The Journal of World Intellectual Property Law (JWIP)*: 20:178-205.
- 2016 “Reform of Educational Exceptions in the UAE Copyright Law”. *World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Journal*. 7 (2): 134-143.
- 2016 “UAE Copyright Law and Technological Developments”. *International Review of Law Journal*. 2016 (8). Available here <http://www.qscience.com/toc/irl/2016/2>
- 2016 “The Adoption of the American Model of Fair Use in Gulf States – A Comparative Analysis of Exceptions to Author’s Rights in Common Law and Civil Law Countries”. *European Intellectual Property Review (EIPR)*: 416-436.

- 2013 “A Pragmatic Approach to Intellectual Property and Development: A Case Study of the Jordanian Copyright Law in the Internet Age.” *The Loyola of Los Angeles International and Comparative Law Review*. 35 (2): 209-272.
- 2012 “IP and Development- A Road Map for Developing Countries in the 21st Century.” (with Brian Fitzgerald; first author). *NIALS Journal of Intellectual Property Journal*. 1 (2): 44-64.
- 2011 “Copyright and Innovation in the Digital Age: The United Arab Emirates.” (with Brian Fitzgerald; second author). *European Intellectual Property Review (EIPR)*. 11 (32): 565- 574.
- 2009 “The Legality of Free and Open Source Software Licenses: The Case of Jacobsen v. Katzer.” (with Brian Fitzgerald; second author). *Shari’a and Law Journal*. 40 (23): 2-33.
- 2005 “Conflicts over Domain Names”. *Shari’a and Law Journal*. 22.1 (January 2005): 239-327. (Arabic)
- 2002 “Contracting and Proving Contracts in Cyberspace.” *Shari’a and Law Journal*. 26.4: 229-288.

Book Chapters

- 2018 “The Adoption of Fair Use in the UAE Copyright Law”. In Brian Fitzgerald and John Gilchrist, eds. *Copyright Perspectives, Past, Present and Prospect*. Switzerland: Springer (forthcoming).
- 2015 “IP and Development- A Road Map for Developing Countries in the 21st Century.” (with Brian Fitzgerald; first author). In Brian Fitzgerald and John Gilchrist, eds. *Copyright Perspectives, Past, Present and Prospect*. Switzerland: Springer. 85-96.
- 2013 “Intellectual Property and Development.” (with Anne Fitzgerald; second author). In Jahid Hossain Bhuiyan, ed. *International Trade Law and the WTO*. Sydney: Federation Press. 430-486.
- 2011 “The Legality of Free and Open Source Software Licenses: The Case of Jacobsen v. Katzer.” (with Brian Fitzgerald; second author). In Brian Fitzgerald, ed. *Knowledge Policy for the 21st Century*. Toronto: Irwin Law. 115-127.
- 2011 “Cyberinfrastructure Inside Out: Definitions and Influencers Shaping its Emergence, Development, and Implementation” (with Kerk Kee, Lucy Gradduck, Bridget Blodgett; third author) in Daniel Araya (et al), *Nexus: New Intersections in Internet Research*. New York: PeterLang. 157- 189.

Short Articles (Unrefereed)

- 2017 Intellectual Property Laws and the Information Technology Initiative (Reach 2025), Raialyoum, January 2017. Available here <http://www.raialyoum.com/?p=606885>
- 2010 “Copyright in the Digital Age”, with Brian Fitzgerald; second author) *Legal Lights*. 18. December 2010: 4-8 and 17.
- 2006 “Will the Internet Remain a Global Public Commons? - The Future of the Internet between Freedom and Censorship. “*AL Hayat*. 22 January 2006 (Arabic).
- 2004 “Legal Issues posed by Mobile Commerce. “*Law Update Al Tamimi*. Issue 16, December 2004: 21- 22.
- 2003 “Legal Issues Posed by M-commerce. *Arab Knowledge and Management Society Newsletter (AKMS)*. December 2003, 4-6 (Arabic).
- 2003 “FAQ on the Commons in Cyberspace. *Arab Society for Intellectual Property (ASIP)*. November 2003, 1-3 (Arabic).
- 2003 “ilaw 4 Program.” *Abu Ghazlaeh Intellectual Property Bulletin (AGIP)*. May/June 2003, 6-7.
- 2003 “Intellectual Property in Cyberspace.”*ASIP*. October 2003, 3-5 (Arabic).
- 2003 “Overview on Creative Commons Organization.”*ASIP*. May 2003, 4-7 (Arabic).
- 2003 “Will the Internet Remain Owned by all?”*AKMS*. April 2003, 3-6 (Arabic).
- 2003 “Website Agreements.”*ASIP*. March and April 2003, 4-6 (Arabic).
- 2003 “Are UAE Courts Prepared to Resolve Domain Name Disputes?”*AGIP Bulletin*, January 2003, 3.
- 2002 “Peer- to-Peer Copying.”*AGIP Bulletin*. December 2002, 2.
- 2002 “Infringements of Copyright in Cyberspace.”*ASIP Newsletter*. December 2002, 5-6 (Arabic).

RESEARCH IN PREPARATION

Rami Olwan and Riyadh Al Balushi, “Rethinking Originality Principle in the Copyright Laws of Gulf States.”

Rami Olwan, “Intellectual Property Management of SMEs in the Emirate of Dubai”.

Rami Olwan, Agricultural Innovation, Food Security and Intellectual Property in the Middle East.

Rami Olwan, “Legal Transplanting of IP laws in the Middle East”.

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- 2013-2014 Seed grant for Faculty Development, Sharjah University, “Visually Impaired Persons, Accessibility Rights and the Implementation of the WIPO's Marrakesh Treaty to Facilitate Access to Published Works: The Case of Developing Countries”.
- 2011-2012 Write UP and Postdoctoral Scholarship, Faculty of Law, QUT
- 2009 Oxford Internet Institute Summer Doctoral Program, Brisbane, Australia (funded by ARC Centre of Excellence for Creative Industries and Innovation (CCI)).
- 2008-2011 Australian government scholarship and ARC Centre of Excellence for Creative Industries and Innovation (CCI), PhD in law, QUT
- 2006-2007 Open Society Institute, Rule of Law Program Fellowship, Master of Laws, Columbia University
- 2005-2006 Ford Foundation, grant to the Palestine Economic Policy Research Institute (PEPRC), *Critical Review of the Proposed Palestinian Electronic Commerce and Signature Laws*
- 2003 Internet Law Program- Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (funded by Berkman Center for Internet and Society at Harvard Law School).

LIST OF PUBLIC LECTURES (selected)

- 2018 “IP and Startups in the UAE.” A panel discussion with legal practitioners World Intellectual Property Forum, Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 16-18 January.
- 2016 “Will WIPO’s Marrakesh Treaty End the “book famine” for Visually Impaired People?” Presented to the 16th Annual Intellectual Property Scholars Conference, Stanford Law School, Stanford University, San Francisco, United States, 11-12 August.
- 2015 “Reforming IP Education in Arab Countries.” Presented to the 5th Global Intellectual Property Congress (GIPC), New Delhi, India, 15-17 December.

- 2015 “The Adoption of American Fair Use in UAE Copyright Law.” Presented to the Gulf Research Conference -Workshop- 5 Intellectual Property in the New Era in the GCC States: Enforcement and Opportunity, Cambridge University, Cambridge, United Kingdom, 24-27 September.
- 2015 “Intellectual Property and Economic Growth in Developing Countries: The Case of the Information Communication Technology (ICT) Sector in Jordan” Presented to the 5th International Conference on Economics, Trade and Development- ICETD 2015, Seoul, South Korea, 8-9 March.
- 2015 “Reforming UAE Copyright Law in the Digital Age.” Presented to the 7th Global Intellectual Property Convection (GIPC), Mumbai, India, 15-17 January.
- 2013 “Fair Use in Developing Countries: The Empirical Questions.” presented to the Third Intellectual Property Congress, Cape Town, South Africa: 9-13 December.
- 2013 “Voluntarily Mechanisms and Copyright in developing Countries.” Presented to The Oxford Internet Institute’s Summer Doctoral Program (OII SDP), University of Toronto, Faculty of Information (i-school), Toronto, Canada: 12 July.
- 2012 The CI Asia- Pacific and the Middle East meeting, Kula Lumpur, Malaysia, 5-7 March 2012 and the Consumers in the Information Society, Access, Fairness and Representation Conference, Kula Lumpur, Malaysia, 8-9 March 2012 (sponsored by Consumers International CI).
- 2011 “The Development Agenda” presented to the Blue Sky Conference, Bather’s Pavilion, Balmoral, Sydney, Australia:25 February.
- 2011 “Beyond Copyright Industries: Publishing and Digital Futures.” Brisbane, Australia: 21 September.
- 2010 “Copyright Law in the Arab World- Engaging with Policy and Law Makers.” (with Brian Fitzgerald and Abdullah Johar) presented to the CCI Symposium, Melbourne, Australia, November 10-12.
- 2010 “Digitally Open: Innovation and Open Access Forum and CC Arab World.” second meeting, Sharq village, Doha, Qatar 23-24 Oct 2010 (sponsored by ICT Qatar).
- 2010 “Introduction to Copyright and Creative Commons’, presented to the Free Software Day, State Library Victoria, Melbourne, Australia: 18 September.

- 2010 “Copyright and Development.” presented to the Global Consumer Dialogue Meeting on A2K, *Kuala Lumpur*, Malaysia: 17 April.
- 2010 “Creative Commons in Jordan.” a talk with Moeed Ahmad from Al Jazeera (head of new media) on Creative Commons, Melbourne: 18 Feb.
- 2009 “Resolving Domain Name Disputes.” The International Forum of the Union of the Mediterranean and the Challenges of Information Technology (IFUMCIT), International Congress Centre, Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt: 19-20 November.
- 2009 “Open Content Licensing and Creative Commons- A Jordanian Perspective” presented and chaired a workshop entitled ‘Open Content and Open Content Licensing in the Arab World: Opportunities and Challenges Facing their Use and Applicability.’ Internet Governance Forum, Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt: November 15-18.
- 2009 “Creative Commons Jordan” presented to the Copyright Conference in the Digital Age and Launch of Creative Commons, Amman, Jordan: 15 November.
- 2009 “Copyright and Innovation in the Digital Age: The United Arab Emirates” presented to E-governance and E-commerce Conference, Abu Dhabi, UAE: 19-20 May.
- 2009 “Copyright and Development- Jordan a Case Study” presented to the ‘Copyright Future: Copyright Freedom Conference’, Old Parliament House, Canberra, Australia: March 27-28.
- 2009 “Country Report for Jordan for Consumers International (CI) regional Meeting on Access to Knowledge (A2K)” presented to the Global Consumer Dialogue Meeting on A2K, *Kuala Lumpur*, Malaysia: 17 February.
- 2009 “Open Content Licensing and Creative Commons- an Arabic Perspective” presented to the Open Content Arabic Workshop, King Abdulaziz City for Science & Technology (*KACST*), Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA), 17-18 January.
- 2009 “Introduction to Digital Issues in Cyberspace” presented to the CC Information Session organized by IREX, Jordan Media Strengthening Program (JMSP), Amman, Jordan: 6 January.
- 2008 “Introduction on Domain Name Disputes” presented to the Intellectual Property in the Digital Age Workshop, Bibliotheca Alexandrina (Library of Alexandria), Alexandria, Egypt, 20-22 December.

- 2008 “Copyright and Bloggers: A Jordanian Perspective” presented to the Conference on New Media Law & Policy, Al Isra- Private University, Amman, Jordan, December 1-2.
- 2008 “Digital Revolution and Latest Developments to the Jordanian Copyright Law” presented to the CCI International Conference entitled ‘Creating Value: Between Commerce and Commons’ Brisbane, Australia, 25- 27 June.
- 2008 “Creative Commons in Jordan” presented to the CC Australia Conference, Brisbane, Australia, 24 June.
- 2006 “Intellectual Property Laws in Palestine” presented to the Conference on the Legal Aspects of the European-Mediterranean Economic Integration, Birzeit University, Ramallah, Palestine: 18 March.
- 2006 “A critical Review of the Proposed Palestinian Electronic Commerce and Signature Laws” presented to the Palestinian Legislative Council in the seminar organized by MAS, Ramallah, Palestine: 4 January.
- 2004 “Conflicts over Domain Names” presented to the Conference on Law and Computer, Yarmouk University, Irbid, Jordan: 12-14 June.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

- 2016-2017 Innovation Box Committee, University of Sharjah, Sharjah
- 2015-2017 Oracle system Committee for Human Resources (HR), University of Sharjah, Sharjah
- 2013-2014 Student Affairs Committee (SAC), College of Business, Department of Management, Marketing and Public Administration, member
- 2013-2014 Recruitment Committee (RC), College of Business, Department of Management, Marketing and Public Administration, member
- 2012-2013 Website and College Catalogue, College of Business, Department of Business, Department of Management, Marketing and Public Administration, member

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

- 2016- current International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property (ATRIP)

2007- current	Alumni of Columbia University, New York, member
2007-current	Alumni of International House, New York
2001-current	Jordanian Lawyers Bar Association, qualified lawyer and member Amman, Jordan