

MARÍA BELEN SAAVEDRA

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WORK EXPERIENCE

O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law, Washington, D.C. *Jan. '19–Present*
Associate (previously Consultant)

Write legal and technical documents on human rights, health, and equality.
Plan and speak at events related to Covid-19, health equality, and nondiscrimination.
Prepare litigation for international bodies on the right to health and nondiscrimination.

Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES Chile), Santiago, Chile *Jan. '18–Jan. '19*
Program Coordinator

Coordinated program on strategy development for Chile's third UN universal periodic review.
Supported local NGOs in the drafting, overview, and presentation of their shadow reports.
Represented the NGOs and Chile in the UPR pre-session.

Ministry of Women and Gender Equity, Santiago, Chile *Jan. '17–Jan. '18*
Lawyer

Researched and wrote legal memos on health, violence and equity bills related to gender issues.
Produced judicial and legislative strategies concerning the Ministry's projects in Congress.
Closely worked with NGOs and monitored strategic partner relationships.

Eluchans Law Buffet, Santiago, Chile *Jan. '12–Dec. '16*
Associate

Drafted legal minutes and reviewed litigation strategies.
Filed legal claims and carried out procedures for law firm clients.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Amnesty International Chile, Santiago, Chile *Apr. '17–Apr. '19*
Chair, Board of Directors

In charge of the relationship between governance, the leadership team, and the base.
Spoke at the presentation of the Annual Human Rights report and helped with comms.
Attended international and regional meetings as advisor on Chilean human rights issues.

Universidad Diego Portales, Santiago, Chile *Mar. '19–Dec. '19*
Adjunct Professor of Law

Taught Legal Writing first semester and Legal Responsibility second semester.

Universidad de Chile, Santiago, Chile *Mar. '16–Oct. '18*
Postgraduate Teacher

Taught Ethics and Government as part of UChile's Master of Public Policy.

EDUCATION

Universidad Diego Portales, Santiago, Chile *Aug. '14–Dec. '15*
LLM in Public Law and Constitutional Oral Litigation

Universidad Diego Portales, Santiago, Chile *Mar. '09–Dec. '15*
Abogada

SKILLS

Fluency
Spanish (native)
English

Advanced proficiency
Portuguese Reading

Legal research & writing
Editorial writing
Strategic communications
TV & Radio interviews
Public speaking

Microsoft Office Suite • AirTable

PUBLICATIONS

"DESC de las mujeres en la nueva Constitución: Luces desde el DIDH" in *La Constitución Feminista*
LOM Ediciones, forthcoming

"Freedom of thought, conscience and religion" in *The Universal Declaration of Human Rights: A Commentary*
Brill, forthcoming

"Derecho de asociación" in *Curso de derechos fundamentales*
Tirant Chile, '20

Report: Anual Sobre Derechos Humanos en Chile 2020
UDP '20

Jurisprudencia Chilena Sobre Acceso a Tratamientos y Medicamentos de Alto Costo
UDP '20

Informes alternativos de organizaciones de la sociedad civil de Chile para el Tercer Ciclo EPU
FES Chile '18

"Diversidad Sexual" in *Informa Anual de DDHH*
UDP '17

Book Review of *La sala de Máquinas de La Constitución*
UDP '15