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### Education

**J.S.D. degree candidate**- Inter American University of Puerto Rico Law School.

**LL.M. 1990** – Master of Laws, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada  
(Area: Medical Jurisprudence)

Thesis: *Childbirth by Cesarean Section: Legal Issues and Implications*

Fellowship –1989-90

**J.D. – 1986 (*Magna Cum Laude*)**– Juris Doctor, School of Law, University of Puerto Rico

**M.P.H.E. 1977** – Master of Public Health Education, Graduate School of Public Health, Medical Sciences Campus, University of Puerto Rico

**B.A. 1975** - Bachelor of Arts (Psychology) Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Puerto Rico

### Professional Accreditation

January 1987 Admitted to the practice of law and notary, Puerto Rico

March 1994 Admitted to the Federal Court of Appeals for the First Circuit

### Professional Experience

Abril 16, 2015- present

**Adjunct Professor and Director of the Academic Support Program**-Law School, Inter American University of Puerto Rico  
(Courses: *Legal Research and Writing I & II and Reproductive Health Rights*)

February 2013- April 15, 2015

**Legal Counsel** – Office of the Administrator  
Child Support Enforcement Agency (ASUME), San Juan, PR

March 2011- February 2013

**Clinical Professor**

Project: *Justicia para la Niñez de la Rama Judicial*

Law School, Inter American University of Puerto Rico

August 2011-present

**Adjunct Professor**

Graduate School of Public Health, Medical Sciences Campus,  
University of Puerto Rico

(Course: *Health Law* for doctoral students; *Health Policy* for MPH students)

August 2010 – present

**Attorney and Notary in private practice**

(2013-2015 Authorized practice as Notary in public service)

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January 2010 – 2013

**Adjunct Professor**

Law School- Inter American University of Puerto Rico  
(Courses: *Health Law and Public Health Law; Legal Research and Writing I & II*)

December 2004 – August 2010

**Executive Director**

**Continuing Legal Education Program**

Law School-University of Puerto Rico

August 2005-July 2010

**Adjunct Professor**

Law School-University of Puerto Rico

(Courses: *Health Law; Seminar on Reproductive Health Rights; Seminar on Health & Comparative Public Health Law and Ethics* (co-teaching with Dr. Nadav Davidovitch))

April 2002 – December 2004

**Clerk of the Supreme Court of Puerto Rico**

July 1996 – April 2002

**Director of the Secretariat of the Judicial Conference**

Supreme Court of Puerto Rico

(Preparation of rules, regulations and conducting special research projects for the Court)

January 1996 – June 1996

**Acting Special Assistant of Chief Justice**

**Hon. José A. Andréu García**

Supreme Court of Puerto Rico

January 1991 – January 1996

**Law Clerk II: Supreme Court of Puerto Rico**

- **Hon. José A. Andréu García, Chief Justice**  
July 1995 – January 1996.
- **Hon. Rafael Alonso, Associate Justice**  
October 1993 – July 1995.
- **Central Research Panel**  
July 1992 – October 1993
- **Hon. Francisco Rebollo, Associate Justice**  
April– June 1992
- **Central Research Panel**  
January 1991 – April 1992

November 1988 – May 1989

**Administrator** (Part-time), Center for Latin American Studies,  
University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

December 1988 – August 1989

**Consultant**

Institute for International Studies on Natural Family Planning  
School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh

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1983 – 1986

**Instructor**

Department of Family Medicine and Community Health, School of Medicine, Universidad Central del Caribe, Cayey and Bayamón, PR

1979 – 1983

**Education and Evaluation Specialist and Coordinator of the Faculty Development Program in Family Medicine**

Deanship for Academic Affairs, Medical Sciences Campus, UPR

1977 – 1979

**Health Educator**

Department of Health of San Juan, Dr. José S. Belaval Diagnostic and Treatment Center, Barrio Obrero, Santurce, PR

**Designated Judicial Defender**

April 2006 – March 2010: Superior Court, Aibonito, Puerto Rico  
*Guzmán Rolón v. Guzmán Rolón* (Civil Núm. BAC2004-036)(002)  
(Alzheimer patient)

**Pro-bono experience**

July 2016 – present

**Member of the Puerto Rico Civil Rights Commission**

April 2006 – May 2016

**Member Board of Directors of Profamilias**

NGO Associate Member of the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF). **President** (April 2009-May 2016); **Treasurer** (January- December 2008); **Secretary** (March 2007-January 2008) & **Director** (April 2006-February 2007).

December 2015

**Certified Abortion Doula**

Boston Doula Project & Taller Salud

September 2012

**Trainer:** *Human Rights related to Sexuality: Sexual Rights in Dominican Republic* (with Esther Vicente, Sponsored by IPPF)

November 2010

**Trainer:** *Human Rights related to Sexuality; Sexual Rights in El Salvador* (Sponsored by IPPF)

July 2010

**Trainer:** *Human Rights related to Sexuality; Sexual Rights in Tbilisi, Georgia* (Sponsored by IPPF)

**Evaluator of Proposals for the Advocacy Program for IPPF Central Office, London (Ad-Honorem)**

August 2006 – July 2010

**Collaborator/Attorney (Ad-Honorem)**

Environmental Law Clinic, Law School, University of Puerto Rico

August 2007 – December 2009

**Mentor Pro Bono Program**

Law School, University of Puerto Rico

Created 2 Projects: *Equity in Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights 2007-2009* & *CEMAR (Regional Academic Medical Centers) 2008-2009*

February 2007 – April 2008

**Legal Advisor** (*Ad Honorem*)

Central Board of Directors, Regional Academic Medical Centers  
Department of Health, Puerto Rico

July – November 1988

**Legal Assistant for Political Asylum of Salvadorian Refugees**

Provisional Legal Refugee Services, Morgantown, West Virginia

**Publications:**

- Fernós, María Dolores; González, Marilucy; Otón Olivieri, Patricia; Reyes Gil, Yanira y Vicente, Esther, *Pandemia, Derechos Humanos y Políticas Públicas*, (*Pandemic, Human Rights and Public Policies*), 3 Amicus, Rev. Pol. Pub. y Leg., UIPR\_\_\_\_ (2020).
- Otón Olivieri, Patricia, *Reseña y Reflexión del Libro Derecho Constitucional en el Caribe: Género, Sexualidad y Raza: El Matrimonio Igualitario*, Vol. 15(1) Revista de Estudios Críticos del Derecho (*Critical Legal Studies Journal*), 43 (2019), Facultad de Derecho, UIPR.
- Vicente Esther and Otón Olivieri Patricia. (2018). Chapter: *La legalidad no es suficiente: El impacto del fundamentalismo y las políticas Trump sobre el acceso al aborto en Puerto Rico y otros países* (*Legality isn't enough: The impact of fundamentalism and Trump politics on acceso to abortion in Puerto Rico and other countries*), in Bergallo, Paola; Jaramillo, Isabel Cristina and Vaggione, Juan Marco, eds.; *EL ABORTO EN AMÉRICA LATINA: ESTRATEGIAS JURÍDICAS PARA LUCHAR POR SU LEGALIZACIÓN Y ENFRENTAR LAS RESISTENCIAS CONSERVADORAS*, Siglo Veintiuno Editores, Argentina S.A.
- Otón Olivieri, Patricia, *Intersexualidad: Análisis Crítico del Discurso Jurídico*, (*Intersexuality: Critical Analysis of Legal Discourse*), article based on presentation in the XV Puerto Rican Human Rights Congress: Gender and Sexuality, September 2, 2015, to be published by the PR Civil Rights Commission.
- Vicente Esther and Otón Patricia. (2012). Chapter; *Derechos Sexuales y Derechos Reproductivos* (*Sexual Rights and Reproductive Rights*) in Colón, Javier and Alegría, Idsa, eds.; *PUERTO RICO Y LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS: UNA INTERSECCIÓN PLURAL*, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- Vicente Esther and Otón Patricia. (2012). *La Sexualidad y los Derechos Humanos: una Plataforma en Construcción* (*Sexuality and Human Rights: a platform under construction*), Tomo VIII, Revista de Estudios Críticos del Derecho 10 (*Critical Legal Studies Journal*) Facultad de Derecho, Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico.
- Otón-Olivieri Patricia, *Alerta: Intentos de Coartar Nuestros Derechos Sexuales y Reproductivos* (*Alert: Attempts to limit our Sexual and Reproductive Rights*), Article for Boletín Organización Puertorriqueña de la Mujer Trabajadora (OPMT), Año XXVII, Diciembre 2010.
- Otón-Olivieri Patricia, *Agenda Inconclusa: Derechos Sexuales y Reproductivos desde la Perspectiva de Salud* (*Inconclusive agenda; Sexual and Reproductive Rights from a Health Perspective*), 79 Rev. Jur. UPR 851(2010).

- Otón-Olivieri Patricia, *Análisis Estadístico (2008-2009)*, 79 Rev. Jur. UPR 752 (2010) (Statistical Analysis of the 2008-2009 Decisions of the Supreme Court of Puerto Rico).
- Vicente, Esther, Otón-Olivieri, Patricia, et als. *Human Rights related to Sexuality: Sexual Rights* (Curriculum for a training of trainer's workshop), Profamilias, 2009 (in Spanish), English translation with Esther Vicente, July 2010.
- Otón-Olivieri Patricia, *Análisis Estadístico (2005-2006)*, [Unpublished monography], (Statistical Analysis of the 2005-2006 Decisions of the Supreme Court of Puerto Rico)
- Carlos Carmen H., Otón-Olivieri Patricia, *La Primera Conferencia Notarial de Puerto Rico (The First Notary Conference of Puerto Rico)*, 1998 (1) Rúbrica, 14. (Notary Journal of the PR Bar Association)
- Otón Olivieri Patricia, *Childbirth by Cesarean Section: Legal Issues and Implications*, Thesis submitted for the Master of Laws degree, University of Toronto, Ontario, Canada (1990).
- Otón Olivieri Patricia, *Los Delitos contra la Seguridad del Estado en el Derecho Penal Cubano (Crimes against State Security in Cuban Criminal Law)*, 55 Rev. Jur. U.P.R. 609 (1986).
- Otón Olivieri Patricia, *Consideraciones en torno a la Evaluación de Estudiantes en la Escuela de Derecho (Considerations on the Evaluation of Students in Law School)*, 10(2) Entredicho, 1984 (Bulletin of the Law Review, Law School, UPR).
- Otón Olivieri Patricia, *Una Alternativa para el Diseño de Evaluaciones (An Alternative for the design of evaluations)*, Revista de la Asociación de Educadores en Salud de Puerto Rico, vol. 1983. (Journal of the Puerto Rico Health Educators Association).

### **Presentations in local and international meetings or special lectures**

**July 2020:** Presentation: *Aspectos legales del Aborto (Legal Aspects of Abortion)*, Theoretic session specifically designed for MDs and OBGYNs in Project: *Yo Decido, Capacitación Feminista de Médicos*. Iella Clinic, Profamilias, San Juan, PR.

**November 2019:** Presentation: *Limitaciones del binomio femenino-masculino desde una mirada intersex (Limitations of the female-male binary from an intersex viewpoint)*. Panel en Encuentro general RED ALAS: Derecho y género: oportunidades y desafíos en América Latina, Universidad de Brasilia, Brazil.

**May 2018:** Presentation: *(La intersexualidad de frente y fuera del binomio masculino y femenino (Intersexuality in and out of the male-female binary)*. Panel: Sexuality and the Law in the VII Woman, Gender and the Law International Conference, La Habana, Cuba.

**May 2017:** Presentation: *Tangencias de la Intersexualidad con el Derecho de Familia (Tangencies of Intersexuality with Family Law)* Panel: Tangencies of sexual orientation, gender identity and intersexuality with Family Law. International Family Law Conference, La Habana, Cuba.

**May 2017:** Workshop: *Derechos Sexuales (Sexual Rights)* (Co-trainer with Esther Vicente) in National Lawyers Union Pre-Conference Workshop, La Habana, Cuba.

**December 2016:** Presentation: *Tangencias de la intersexualidad con el Derecho de Familia (Tangencies of Intersexuality with Family Law)*. Panel in Family Law Conference, Continuing Legal Education Program, Inter American University of Puerto Rico in San Juan, PR.

**September 2015:** Presentation: *Intersexualidad: Análisis crítico del discurso jurídico (Intersexuality: Critical Analysis of Legal Discourse)*. Panel in XV Puerto Rican Human Rights Congress: Gender and Sexuality, Puerto Rico's Human Rights Commission, San Juan, PR.

**September 2014:** Presentation: *Derechos Reproductivos (Reproductive Rights)* Panel: Reproduction, Law and Justice, Annual Convention of *Colegio de Abogados y Abogadas de Puerto Rico* in Rio Grande, PR.

**October 2013:** Presentation: *Reproductive and Sexual Rights: Injustices in Puerto Rico*. Panel: Reproductive and Sexual Rights National Lawyers Guild Annual Convention in San Juan, PR.

**March 2013:** Presentation: *Custody: Expert testimony, Shared custody and Sexual abuse allegations*. Panel in Continuing Legal Education Program, Inter American University of Puerto Rico in San Juan, PR.

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