

CURRICULUM VITAE ANITA UŠACKA



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I Academic Background:

1976 - 1980 Post graduate course at the Faculty of Law of the Moscow State University
1970 – 1975 Faculty of Law of the University of Latvia, specialty – Legal Sciences

II Academic Degrees:

2002 Professor
1999 Associated Professor
1993 Academic Title of the Docent
1992 Doctor of Legal Sciences (Dr. iur.)
1984 Docent of the Department for Fundamental Legal Studies, University of Latvia
1980 Candidate of Legal Sciences

III Professional Career:

Since 1996 Judge at the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia
Since 2002 Professor at the Department of State Law
Since 1999 Associated Professor at the Department for Fundamental Legal Studies, University of Latvia
1999-2001 Associated Professor at the Riga Graduate School of Law
1994-1996 Executive Director of the Latvian branch for UNICEF
1989-1996 Head of the Department for Fundamental Legal Studies, University of Latvia
1982-1999 Docent at the Department for Fundamental Legal Studies, University of Latvia
1980-1982 Main lecturer of Department for Fundamental Legal Studies, University of Latvia
1976-1980 Post graduate studies at the Moscow State University
1975-1976 Assistant at the Department for Fundamental Legal Studies, University of Latvia

IV Pedagogical Activities (last 6 years)

For the past six years – a scientific leader of 20 Master theses.

Delivered lectures:

1. Public Law (Master Programme in Public Administration, University of Latvia)
2. Introduction to Comparative Law (Master Programme in International Relations and Law, Professional Studies of European Affairs, University of Latvia)
3. Fundamental Legal Sciences (Bachelor Programme in Management Sciences, University of Latvia)
4. Human Rights (Bachelor Programme in Health Care, University of Latvia)
5. Introduction to Law (Bachelor Programme in Economics, University of Latvia)
6. Comparative International Law (Master Programme in International and European Law, Riga Graduate School of Law)
7. Human Rights (Civil Servants, State Administration School of Latvia)
8. Comparative Constitutional Law (visiting professor at the Lewis & Clarke School of Law in Portland USA, May-June, 2002)
9. Constitutional Development in Latvia, Renewal of the Independence and Succession of the State; Problems of Human Rights; Rights of the Minorities in Latvia (visiting professor at the Robert Schumann University, Strasbourg, 1999)

V Participation within Other Organizations (last 6 years)

- Member of the International Women-Lawyers Association (since 1997)
- Member of the Sub-commission of the Council of Europe on the Constitutional Legal Procedure
- National expert of the EU Committee Expert Group on evaluating Justice and Home Affairs in the Republic of Latvia in the context of enlargement of the EU (to prepare a conclusion on the possibility of Latvia joining the EU), December, 2001
- Expert of the group elaborating the concept of the New Law on the Judicial Power (2002)
- Member of the Board of the Lawyers Training Centre of Latvia
- Member of the Study Council of the University of Latvia
- Member of the editorial board of the journal “Law and the Rights”

VI Participation in Seminars within Latvian and Foreign Universities or Research Institutes:

1. **October, 2002** – intensive training “Gender, Justice and the ICC” offered by academic experts in international criminal and human rights law to unravel the complexities of the Rome Statute. The program designed to prepare distinguished women Judges to take seats on the newly-established International Criminal Court
2. **September, 2002** – international conference “Public law and risk” at the Centre of Public Law, Athens, Greece
3. **September, 2002** – international seminar “Constitutional claim at the Constitutional court” Riga, Latvia
4. **January, 2002** – training programme on EU Law for Judges in Warsaw, Poland (PHARE Program)
5. **October, 2001** – training programme on EU Law for Judges in Krakow, Poland (PHARE Program)
6. **2001** – acquiring experience at the State courts of Oregon and California (USA), research work at the Lewis & Clarke School of Law in Portland, USA
7. **2000** – training programme “Topical Problems of Public Law” at the Centre of Public Law, Athens, Greece
8. **2000** – research work at the Lewis & Clarke School of Law in Portland, USA
9. **1999** - acquiring experience at the Supreme Court and other courts of Canada
10. **1999** - acquiring of experience at the courts and legal institutions of Copenhagen (Denmark)
11. **1998** – in-service training at the Constitutional Council and the Council of State of France
12. **1997** – summer school of the Central European University on administrative law in Budapest (Hungary)
13. **1997** – study course at the USA Supreme Court, other courts and universities
14. **1997** – acquiring of experience at the European Court (Luxembourg)
15. **1994** - research at the Max Plank Institute of Comparative Rights, Germany
16. **1993** - research at the USA Notre Dame University
17. **1992** - in-service training at the International Human Rights Institute in Strasbourg

VII Scientific Activities and Publications (last six years)

Participation and Leadership within International Research Projects:

- Research at the Open Society Institute “Monitoring the EU Accession Process: Judicial Independence”. Report. Latvia. Open Society Institute, 2001
- Project: “Administrative Law in Central and Eastern Europe (1996-1998)”, sponsored by the Open Society Institute
- Project: “Research on Direct Democracy in Eastern and Central European States” (Budapest, 1997)
- Chair of the Co-operation Program between the Northwestern School of Law of Lewis & Clark College (USA) and the Faculty of Law of the University of Latvia (1 September, 1998 – 31 August, 2001)
- Project: “Creation of Efficient Administration in Latvia. (OSCE, the Human Rights Centre of Denmark and the Latvian State Administration School)”

Member of Latvian or International Projects or Councils:

- International Expert of the Uppsala University (Sweden) Promotion Committee for the defence of the Doctor’s theses by Ms. Carolina Taube “Constitutionalism in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania. A study in Comparative Constitutional Law”, Uppsala, Sweden, May, 2001
- Expert of the Promotion Council in the branch of legal sciences, sub-branch - state law
- Expert of the Soros Foundation - Latvia for the translation series “Individual and the Society”

- Expert and member of the Legal Programme of the Soros Foundation - Latvia
- Elaboration of a Theoretical Concept on Approximation of Procedural Provisions of Latvian Laws with European Standards (under the guidance of Prof. E. Melkisis)

Publications:

1. Ten Years of Constitutional Development in Latvia after the Renewal of Independence. "The Constitutional Revision in Today's Europe." London, Esperia Publications Ltd, 2002, pp. 309-318
2. Конституционные гарантии прав личности в Латвии. "Europa Wshodnia-Ameryka Łacińska. Pozycja jednosci i system rządu". Wrocław, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Wrocławskiego, 2002, pp. 184-188. (Constitutional Guarantees of Human Rights in Latvia. "Europa Wshodnia-Ameryka Łacińska. Pozycja jednosci i system rządu". Wrocław, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Wrocławskiego, 2002, pp. 184-188.)
3. Judicial Independence in Latvia. "Monitoring the EU Accession Process: Judicial Independence". Central European University Press. Hungary 2001, pp. 225-266
4. Direct Democracy in Latvia. Country Report. "Direct Democracy: The Eastern and Central European Experience." Ashgate Publishing Limited. Aldershot. Burlington USA. Singapore. Sydney, 2001, pp. 94 – 108
5. Techniques and Procedures for Popular Votes. "Direct Democracy: The Eastern and Central European Experience." Ashgate Publishing Limited. Aldershot. Burlington USA. Singapore. Sydney, 2001, pp. 256- 263
6. The Impact of the European Integration Process on the Constitution of Latvia. "EU Enlargement. The Constitutional Impact at EU and National Level." The Hague, 2001, pp. 337 -346
7. International Human Rights and their Historical Development. The Law and the Rights, Volume 2, pp. 326 – 331, November, 2000 (No.11)
8. Some Problems on Domestic Violence against Women in Latvia: Legal Aspects. "Bringing International Human Rights Law Home". New York, United Nations, 2000, pp. 196-199
10. On Different Problems of Legal Ethics in the World and in Latvia. The Law and the Rights, Volume 1, pp. 49-52, October 1999 (No.2)
11. Administrative Law in Latvia. "Administrative Law in Central and Eastern Europe (1996-1998)". Budapest, CEU Press, 1999, pp. 139-176
12. The Natural Principle of Justice and the Administrative Process. Procedural Justice. Riga, LU, 1998, pp.13-20
13. The European System of Protecting Human Rights. Latvijas Vēstnesis 07.05.1998, No. 127
14. Children Protection as a Constituent Part of International Human Rights. Issues on Living Conditions. Social work: Conclusions, Experience and Practice. Riga, 1996, pp.109-113
15. Grunzüge der Entwicklung des Rechtssystems Lettlands seit der Unabhängigkeitserklärung von 1990. Recht in Ost and West No.3, 1995

Educational and methodical literature:

1. Curriculum of Public Law Courses at the Department of General Law, University of Latvia, Riga, Latvia. Administrative Law. Budapest, 1997, pp. 91- 94
2. Case Study: "The Powers of Parliament and Government in Latvia. Administrative Law", Budapest, 1997, pp. 118-120
3. Elaboration of the State Administration School training programme and course for civil servants to qualitatively carry out the training process of state civil servants. The course includes: development of international human rights; the legal system of the Republic of Latvia and international norms incorporated into it; the UN system for the protection of human rights and the European system for the protection of human rights (on request of the State Human Rights Bureau; Agreement No. 226, 16.12.1997)

Other articles, published in Latvian and foreign editions:

1. Interpretation of Chapter 8 “Fundamental Human Rights” in Constitutional Court Judgments. *Latvijas Vēstnesis*, 27.11.2001, No.171
2. International Human Rights and their Historical Development. *Law and the Rights*, volume 2, November 2000 (No. 11) pp. 326 -331
3. On several problems of legal ethics in the world and in Latvia. *Law and the Rights*, volume 1, October 1999. No.2, pp. 49 -52

Reports delivered at international scientific conferences:

1. “Fundamental Human Rights and Interpretation of the Satversme (Constitution) in the Constitutional Court Judgments. Interpretation and its Direct Application” at the Vilnius Conference, March 15-16, 2002.
2. “Judges as guardians of the Constitution: *Strict* or *Liberal* Interpretation” at the Conference “Old and New Constitutions. Constitution as the document of possible changes”. Oslo, Norway, 31.01 – 01.02. 2002
3. International Workshop of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia and the German Foundation for International Co-operation “Protection of Human Rights at the Constitutional Court”, 9-10 November, 2001. Report (Interpretation of the Satversme (Constitution) Chapter 8 “The Fundamental Human Rights” in the Constitutional Court Judgments”) has been published in “Lawyer’s Word”, No.230, 11 November, 2001
4. “Constitutional Changes in Ten years after Reestablishment of Independence” at the Conference in Athens, Greece from 7-9 December, 2001
5. “Конституционные гарантии прав личности в Латвии”. (Constitutional Guarantees of Human Rights in Latvia), delivered at the conference at the Wrocław University, Poland on September 20-21, 2001 and published in the book “Europa Wshodnia-Ameryka Łacińska. Pozycja jednosci i system rządu”. Wrocław, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Wrocławskiego, 2002, pp. 184-188
6. “The Present Independence Status of Judges in Latvia”, delivered at the Conference “Independence of the Judges and the Issues of Public Trust: The Baltic States and Poland”, Vilnius, Lithuania 2 – 3 March, 2000
7. “The Constitutional Impact of the European Integration Enlargement (at EU and National Level)” at the Conference in The Hague, the Netherlands, 20 – 23 September, 2000. The Report has been published in the book “The Impact of the European Integration Process on the Constitution of Latvia”. “EU Enlargement. The Constitutional Impact at EU and National Level.” The Hague, 2001, pp. 337-346
8. “Some Problems of Domestic Violence against Women in Latvia: Legal Aspects.” The report was delivered at the meeting of Judges on issues of the Convention on the Rights of the Child and Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women in Vienna, Austria, in Oct. 1999 and was published in “Bringing International Human Rights Law Home”. New York, United Nations, 2000, pp. 196-199
9. “Courts in Latvia and Independence of the Judicial Power”, delivered at the Annual Conference of the Latvian Lawyers’ Association in Washington, USA, from 01 – 02 October, 1998
10. “The Child as a Witness, its Legal Status in Latvian Legislation”, delivered at the Conference of the International Women Lawyers Organisation in Ottawa, Canada, 21 – 24 May, 1998
11. “Exploitation of Prostitution by the Third Party (Human Rights Aspects)” delivered at the International Conference of the Women Lawyers Organisation and the Association of Italian Judges in Rome, Italy, November, 1997
12. “Case Study: The Powers of the Parliament and Government in Latvia” delivered at the Administrative Law Conference in Budapest, Hungary, 1 May, 1997 and published in “Administrative Law.” Budapest, 1997- pp. 118-120