

DEAN (EMERITUS) PROFESSOR SHAHAR LIFSHITZ:

Faculty of law Bar-Ilan University in Rama-Gan, Israel.

Founder of the Bat-Illan Institute for Jewish and Democratic Law

EDUCATION:

2004-2005 Post-Doc. advanced study, University of New York Law School

1998-2002 Ph.D. (with Highest Distinction), Bar-Ilan University Law School

1998-2002 LL.M. (summa cum laude), Bar-Ilan University Law School

1993-1996 B.A. (summa cum laude), Department of Psychology, Bar-Ilan University

1993-1996 LL.B. (summa cum laude), Bar-Ilan University Law School

ACADEMIC POSITIONS:

2012-2017 Dean, Bar-Ilan University Law School

2012-present Professor, Bar-Ilan University Law School

2008-2012 Associate Professor, Bar-Ilan University Law School

2004-2008 Senior lecturer, Bar-Ilan University Law School

2002-2004 Lecturer (Assistant professor), Bar-Ilan University Law School

VISITS IN ACADEMIC INSTITUTES:

2023 (fall semester) Visiting Professor Mc-Gill Law

2019 (fall semester) Visiting Professor, The Erasmus program, University of Siena

2018 (spring semester) Visiting Professor Emory Law School

2015 (spring semester) Visiting Professor, The Caroline Zelaznik & Joseph S. Gruss Chair in Talmudic Civil Law, University of Pennsylvania Law School

2014 (spring semester) Visiting Professor, The Caroline Zelaznik & Joseph S. Gruss Chair in Talmudic Civil Law, University of Pennsylvania Law School

2011 (spring semester) Visiting Professor, Yeshiva University, Cardozo Law School; Visiting Scholar, Center for Jewish Law and Contemporary Civilization, Cardozo Law School

2009 (fall semester) Visiting Professor, Columbia University Law School

2009 (spring semester) Visiting Professor, Yeshiva University, Cardozo Law School

2006-2007 Visiting Professor, Yeshiva University, Cardozo Law School

2006-2007 Distinguished Fellow of the Center for Jewish Law & Contemporary Civilization, Cardozo Law School

2005-2006 Visiting Scholar, Hauser Global Law School Program, New York University Law School

PUBLIC POSITIONS & OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

2022- Special adviser to the Ministry of Justice on child support and inheritance laws

2015–present Head, Menomadin Center for Jewish and Democratic Law, Bar-Ilan University

2019–2023 Founding Academic Director, The Israeli Congress for Jewish and Democratic Dialogue

2022-present Consultant in the Private Clients and Family & Inheritance Disputes practice, FISCHER (FBC & Co.)

2012- 2017, Co-head (with Tali Fisher and Professor Yedidya Stern) of the "Human Rights and Judaism" Project Israel Democracy Institute

2011-2015 Senior Fellow of the Israel Democracy Institute

2009-2015 Organizer and Co -Chairman, Forum for Cooperation between Supreme Court and Israeli Legal Academia

2009 Judge, Israeli Standard Contract Court

2009 Director of the Center for Commercial Law, Bar-Ilan University Law School

2009 Member and Draftsman of the Israeli legislative Committee of the "Pension Act"

2009 Vice Chairman of the Israeli Association of Private Law

2005-present, Ad-hoc Advisor to the Constitution, Law and Legislation Committee, Israeli Knesset

2005-2009 Participant and Draftsman for the Legislative Proposal Regarding Spousal Registry, Israel Democracy Institute

2004-2005 Researcher, Israel Democracy Institute; the Constitution Project

2004-2005 Judge, the Israeli Standard Contract Court

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2003-2004 Member of Israeli Legislative "Rot-Levi" Committee for Children's Rights

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2002-2007 Lecturer, Seminars for Judges and Lawyers in the Fields of Family and Contract Law

1996-1997 Legal Intern at Rozenzweig-Shafran-Gera Law Firm and in the Family Court, Ramat Gan, Israel, Qualifying for Admission to the Israel Bar

1993-1994 Establishing and Managing the Torah Department in the "Haddad" Center for Research on Dyslexia and Reading Disorders, Bar-Ilan University; Voluntary Counseling at the "Enosh" Club for the Social Rehabilitation of Mental Health Patients

RESEARCH & TEACHING FIELDS

Contract Law; Family Law, Inheritance Law; Jewish Law; Human Rights and Judaism; Multiculturalism; Judaism, Democracy, and Consensus-Building in the Public Sphere

LAW REVIEW EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBERSHIP:

2015-present, Associate editor, "Judaism Sovereignty and Human Rights" Journal, The Israel Democracy Institute.

2014-present, Associate editor, Wealth Management Law Review

2005 Editor of Bar-Ilan Law Studies, Volume about Judge Dorner's Contribution to Israeli Law

2004-2005 Bar-Ilan Law Studies, Co-Editor of a Volume about Law and Film

2003-2004 Supervising Professor, Bar-Ilan Law Studies

AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS:

2026 The Aharon Barak Prize for Academic Excellence

2022 Yaakov Neeman Prize for Best Article on Family Law

2022 Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities Research Workshop Grant (with Prof. Michal Alberstein) for a national workshop on *Conflict Resolution Approaches in Public Law*

2020–2021 Israel Science Foundation Grant (with Prof. Ram Rivlin): Marital Property at Death

2015 Gruss Scholarship, University of Pennsylvania Law School

2014 Gruss Scholarship, University of Pennsylvania Law School

2009 Bar-Ilan University Outstanding Award for Teaching

2006 Hauser Global Law School Fellowship, New York University Law School

2005 Winner of Rothschild Post-Doctoral Fellowship

2005 Winner of Fulbright Post-Doctoral Fellowship

2004 Winner of Alon Scholarship for "Excellent Scientist," (given by the Council for Higher Education in Israel for young scholars, fully sponsoring their university positions for three years)

2004 Awarded the Bahat Prize for the book "Cohabitation Law in Israel from the Perspective of a Civil Law Theory of the Family"

2003 Peleg-Bilig Center for the Study of Family Well-Being, Scholarship for Excellent Students

2003 Fanya Gottesfeld-Heller Center for the Study of Women in Judaism, Scholarship for Excellent Students

2001-2002 Awarded Letter of Acknowledgment from the Rectors of The Hebrew University and Bar-Ilan University, Certifying Excellence in Teaching

2000 Schuff Fund Research Grant

1999 Wolf Fund Research Grant for the Promotion of Excellence

1999 Rector's Prize for Post-Graduate Degrees

1992-1995 Dean's List, Bar-Ilan University Law School