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Education

- **Ph.D.** Paris-Saclay University, Paris, France. Subject: *The role of Lawyers in the development of Mediation in Lebanon* (2018). Thesis supervised by Professor Michèle Guillaume-Hofnung.
- **Master's Degree**, Paris Sud University, Field: Diplomacy and Strategic Negotiations (2012).
- **Master's Degree.** La Sagesse University, Beirut, Advanced studies in Political Sciences and International Relation (2011).
- **Bachelor of Law.** Lebanese University (2003).
- **Diploma in Mediation.** (200 hours); IMGH Institute, Paris, France (2017).
- **Diploma.** La Sagesse University, Beirut; Advanced studies in Legal Informatics and intellectual properties (2010).

Publications

I- Published:

- The role of Lawyers in the development of Mediation in Lebanon Paris-Saclay University, Paris, France.
- 2. **Does Mediation Create a New System for Lebanon in Its Centennial** An article published in An-Nahar about the role that mediation can play in producing a new constitutional system for Lebanon
- 3. **Will Expanded Decentralization Save Lebanon from Partition** An article published in An-Nahar about the role that the application of expanded administrative decentralization can play in saving Lebanon from partition.
- 4. **1977... When the Maronites Were Thinking** An article published in An-Nahar about the current Maronite political reality compared to the past, focusing on the documents from the 1977 Our Lady of Bir Retreat.
- 5. **We Will Not Emigrate** An article published on Al-Kalima Online about the necessity of resilience and rejecting emigration, with a comparative study on what happened in Mount Lebanon in the 13th century.
- 6. **The Deadly Bet on Time** An article published in An-Nahar about what major powers want from Lebanon.
- 7. **The Distorted Federalism, Victim of Those Who Manipulate It** An article Publishe on MTV Website. What we have reached under the centralized system is proof of the failure of the disguised sectarian formula. A national dialogue is needed to protect the covenant by amending the formula. We presented ten facts to answer constitutional questions on the subject.

- 8. **The Importance of Developing Mediation** Today, more than ever, mediation is a necessity, especially in these difficult times we are experiencing around the world. Here is an overview of the importance of developing mediation, an article that was published on SADERlex.
- 9. **Recommendations for Developing Mediation in Arab Countries** In this study, we presented the recommendations that should be followed to ensure the proper development of the concept of mediation in the region. Studying national needs and societal characteristics is the cornerstone of success since the reasons differ from one country to another internally, but the general principles remain the same despite the differences between countries and their varying laws. An article that was published on SADERlex.
- 10. The Laws and Their Summaries in "The Prophet" by Khalil Gibran This article revolves around the analysis and understanding of the chapter on laws in "The Prophet" by Khalil Gibran, focusing on the relationship between laws and ethics and the impact of laws on individuals' behavior. (NDU)
- 11. **The Fast and Effective Solution to Disputes before the Basketball Arbitral Tribunal (BAT)** Today, more than ever, mediation is a necessity, especially in these difficult times we are experiencing around the world. Therefore, I give you an overview of the importance of developing mediation, an article that was published on SADERlex.
- 12. **FIFA Football Court: Mediation as a Path to Conflict Resolution** An article published in An-Nahar about FIFA's establishment of a Football Court and its dedication to mediation as a means of resolving disputes.
- 13. **Mediation and Lebanese Specificities: Challenges and Opportunities -** Explores how Lebanon's unique context influences the need for, development of, and barriers to mediation, proposing a tailored model for effective mediation in Lebanon. ISBN: 978-9953-66-683-9.
- 14. **For Effective Development of Mediation in Lebanon** Discusses the Lebanese context and the need for mediation, emphasizing quality measures and cultural integration within the judiciary. Offers future vision and a call to action for lawyers and decision-makers. ISBN: 978-9953-66-683-9.
- 15. **Arbitration and Mediation in Sports Conflicts: When, Why, and Where Each is Used** Examines how and when to use arbitration and mediation in sports disputes, based on the author's extensive experience in sports law and mediation. House of law Jan 2025 p. 34.
- 16. Innovation and Tradition in Law Schools: Legal Education in the Era of Modern Practices Evaluates contemporary legal teaching methods based on a study of 200 students and 15 professors at Université La Sagesse, highlighting challenges and proposing ways to balance innovation with tradition in legal education. (Forth coming)

Professional Experience

- **July 2023 Present**: Appointed as Dean of the Faculty of Law at La Sagesse University (The first Law Faculty in Lebanon and the Middle East established in 1875).
- **January 2020 Present:** Listed as an arbitrator by the Lebanese Arbitration and Mediation Center (LAMC)
- May 2023 Present: Listed as an arbitrator by the ICAS as a CAS Court of arbitration for Sport arbitrator.
- May 2024 Present: Listed as an arbitrator by DIAC Dubai International Arbitration Centrer.
- 2021 Present: Attorney at law in Paris Member of the Paris Bar.
- 2021 2023: Director of the Sports Arbitration Center in Lebanon (SAC).
- **2021 Present:** Member of the Association of Graduated Mediators of the Panthéon Assas.

- **2019 Present:** Member of the Association of European Mediators (AME).
- **2019 2021:** in Partnership with Albert Associés avocats.
- **2018 Present:** As an Arbitrator, Mediator and legal consel, participated in arbitral cases, at the international level.
- **2019 2020:** President of the Committee for the Modernization of Laws Lebanese Basketball Federation.
- **2018 2021:** Member of the Appeal Committee; Lebanese Football Federation.
- **2017 2019:** President of the Appeal and Objection Committee; Lebanese Basketball Federation.
- **2014 Present:** Expert in Sports law, law practitioner recognized by BAT (Basketball Arbitral Tribunal) since 2014.
- **2008 Present:** Founder and partner at Harfouche & Saad Law Firm, specialized in Civil Law, Sports Law, mediation and arbitration. Consultant for Banks, Companies, hospitals, Federations, Clubs, Players and individuals.
- **2003 2008:** Member of the lawyers' team Tueni Law Firm, Beirut.

Seminars, Lectures, Interviews

- **2023**: A jury member in the thesis defense of Me. Isam SBAT at "Beirut Arab University". "The Legal Protection of Athletes' Physical Integrity.
- **2021 Present:** Civil Procedures (La Sagesse, Faculty of Law).
- **2021 2022:** Enforcement Procedures (La Sagesse, Faculty of Law).
- **2021 Present:** Alternative Dispute Resolution (La Sagesse, Faculty of Law).
- **2021 Present:** International Arbitration for Master's degree (La Sagesse, Faculty of Law).
- **2021 Present:** International Contracts for Master's degree (La Sagesse, Faculty of Law).
- **2021 Present:** Supervisor and Jury Member for numerous Master's theses at La Sagesse University, Faculty of Law.
- May 2024: Lecture for Master's degree students in sports law (University of Paris 1, Panthéon Sorbonne).
 Topics: a) The resolution of conflicts before the Basketball Arbitral Tribunal (BAT); b) Private methods of prevention and amicable settlement in sports disputes; c) Private justice; the resolution of sports disputes through arbitration.
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- **2021 Present:** Conflicts Prevention and Resolution in Sports for Master's degree (University of Paris 1, Panthéon Sorbonne).
- **February 2020:** Lecture for Master's degree students in sports law at the University of Paris 1, Panthéon Sorbonne, on "The Rapid and Simple Conflict Resolution before the Basketball Arbitral Tribunal (BAT) Is mediation possible?"
- **September 2019**: "The Role of the Lawyer in the Development of Mediation" (Lecture as part of the University Diploma "Mediation" at the University of Paris 2 Panthéon- Assas)
- **May 2019**: "Role of the Arbitral Tribunal of Sports" (Seminar on Sports Law organized by Brand Protection Group).
- **November 2022:** "The Role of Mediation in Anticipating, Resolving and Mitigating Sports Conflicts" (Conference organized at "Mairie du 7° Paris").
- **July 2022**: "The Role of Mediation in Anticipating, Resolving and Mitigating Banking Crises" (Conference organized by the Arab Organization of Young Lawyers).

- **October 2019**: "Mediation in all its Forms" (Seminar organized at the Maison du Barreau in Paris on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of European Mediators).
- **2022**: Interviews about the Mediation in the Maritime Dispute (BelMubashar TV Program).
- **2022 :** Interventions about Sports Arbitration Center (MTV)
- **April 2020:** "The Fate of the Contracts of Basketball Players Around the World in the Shadow of Covid-19" (Interview with An Nahar Newspaper)
- **April 2020:** "The Importance of Mediation after the Epidemic" (Interview with Saderlex).