Call for Chapter Contributions: Edited Volume on Business and Human Rights Litigation

Title: Litigating Business and Human Rights Violations: Themes, Perspectives, and Prospects

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Overview: We are pleased to announce the forthcoming publication of an edited volume titled 'Litigating Business and Human Rights Violations: Themes, Perspectives, and Prospects' to be published by Cambridge University Press in the *Research Handbook* series. This pioneering volume examines the multifaceted landscape of social justice litigation against corporations, exploring both doctrinal and broader socio-political dimensions.

Scope: The book is the first of its kind to examine doctrinal as well as political, economic, and social tensions that span across the various areas of social justice litigation against corporations. It will assemble legal scholars, practitioners, civil society members, and human rights activists with diverse specialities and from various parts of the globe to compare and contrast themes and perspectives that are analogous across this area of litigation, irrespective of the underlying harms, industries, and geographies.

The volume will focus on private law proceedings, highlighting the connection between corporate wrongdoers and injured third parties. With up to 25 chapters, the volume aims to provide a comprehensive exploration of this critical area, transcending boundaries of harm, industry, and geography.

Call for Chapters: While we have already secured several chapters for the volume, we are still looking for contributions on the following topics:

- Case study: Dam collapses and environmental damage
- Voices of indigenous peoples in business and human rights litigation
- Role of civil society organizations and activism in business and human rights litigation
- Third-party funder's or international investor's perspective
- International organisation's perspective

We invite interested contributors, including non-academic experts with experience in writing research papers, to submit expressions of interest to contribute a chapter to this volume before **3 June 2024**. We also welcome collaborative contributions between scholars and non-academic experts, aiming to give direct voice to different stakeholders in the field.

Submissions should include a short abstract of the proposed chapter, a sample of writing, and a one-page CV. The deadline for submitting first drafts of chapters is 1 December 2024.

Workshop Event: With the support of the <u>Bonavero Institute of Human Rights</u>, we plan to host a workshop event in January 2025 at the University of Oxford to present and discuss the chapters and the volume at large. The workshop will be conducted in a hybrid format, accommodating both in-person and virtual participation. Participants attending in person are expected to cover their own travel costs, although organizers will endeavour to secure some funding, especially for experts travelling from Global South.

Express Interest: Please send submissions of interest to the editors at ahmad@allard.ubc.ca; ekaterina.aristova@law.ox.ac.uk; rachel.chambers@uconn.edu.