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THEMATIC ISSUE

**CLIMATE LITIGATION BEFORE DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL COURTS**

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Faced with the lack of States' stringent mitigation and adaptation policies, civil society has turned to domestic and international courts, tribunals, and non-judicial bodies (e.g. Human Rights Committee). The goal of such actions is to promote the 'climate rule of law' by asking courts, tribunals, and non-judicial bodies to contribute to the development and the clarification of States' obligations under current domestic and international law.

In some cases, applicants target States and other public regulatory agencies in order to pressure them to adopt the policies that may guide our societies towards a carbon neutral future, or that may better prepare societies to an unpredictable future climate pattern. In other cases, applicants bypass States and target non-State actors directly (e.g. corporations) in order to compel them to reduce their GHG emissions. Both types of climate litigation have been growing exponentially in the last years — and it is likely that it will grow more in the coming years.

In this light, the next issue of *Católica Law Review* is thematic and dedicated to the topic 'Climate Litigation before Domestic and International Courts'. The editors of the issue welcome the submission of articles written by scholars and practitioners, including law professors, lecturers, doctoral candidates, graduate students, or lawyers.

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