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DEDICATION

To my wife and best friend, Kara, whose support defines the word "love."

PREFACE TO THE 3RD EDITION

Why write a dictionary? Surely it is a most pedestrian of pursuits? Surely it allows the mind to escape hard research towards a cogent book or article? On the one hand, surely the mental faculties will atrophy? The mind will descend into the complacency of writing a few paragraphs about an idiosyncratic medley of terms. On the other hand, surely the task is an impossible one? Even when a dictionary is confined to a specific subject, as is the present volume, the boundaries of the subject enlarge, the vocabulary expands, the contexts in which words are used change, and the theoretical concepts associated with terminology evolve.

One self-indulgent answer is love for words, the concepts they embody, and the environments in which they are deployed. That is my case. Dictionaries always have been a source of fascination and enjoyment. Writing a dictionary is a chance to indulge those intellectual delights. It is a chance to learn more about terms with which I may have passing familiarity, and an opportunity to widen terms in my vocabulary. In so doing, it invites me to study books and articles I have long sought to approach. Yet, that is not the answer – or, at least, not the principal one.

Love for students, is a second, less self-indulgent, more obvious, answer than the first response. International Trade Law is a highly technical field, with a vocabulary of its own. That is increasingly so. To make matters more difficult, and exciting, International Trade Law is inter-disciplinary, thus so, too, is its terminology. Other subject areas, not the least of which is economics, influence the vocabulary of trade. Economics has its own lingo. Thus, a dictionary can serve the needs and interests of students, as well as scholars and practitioners, to de-mystify the terminology of International Trade Law, and allied fields. Put simply, the jargon is a non-tariff barrier (NTB) to entry into the discipline. Why not try to reduce that barrier a bit, especially to encourage newcomers to consider entering this fascinating area?

A third, and the most theoretical, answer veers more towards a sense of the importance of words. Understanding the meaning of words advances our vocabulary and knowledge base. Precision in meaning also helps us identify points of agreement, and narrow points of disagreement. That benefit is critical for lawyers, who, after all, are specially trained to be peacemakers. The more we lawyers know about terms, the more accurate we can be in the way we use them, the more command we will have as professionals, and the better service we can be to others.

In the field of International Trade Law, if there is anything to the theory that trade may enhance peace, then perhaps understanding better the words that constitute the field could support that salubrious outcome. Trade is, after all, a field in which many voices speak with sharper and more rhetoric, in louder volumes. Some of the talking that goes past different sides, and the dialogue of the deaf, might be mitigated if speakers in the trade debate gave great

(or greater) care to defining and even economizing on their words – and lowering the decibel level. In brief, maybe a dictionary can be a reference in service of a desirable global goal.

That answer, of course, depends on the quality of the dictionary. The enterprise of preparing the First and Second Editions of the *Dictionary of International Trade Law* was partly a re-confirmation of how little I know of this marvelous field, and of how much space there is yet into which to grow. It became apparent, and quickly so, that the title *Encyclopedia of International Trade Law* would be too grandiose, and over-sell the volume in a way redolent of how some politicians exaggerate the benefits (or costs) of free trade. But, a journey must start somewhere, with a few steps. The adjective "encyclopedic" was and remains a lodestar for those steps.

Like its predecessor, this Third Edition tries to be comprehensive in defining terms in the field regularly encountered by students, scholars, and practitioners everyday around the world. It seeks, further, to cover as many terms in the related disciplines of Development Economics and International Economics, as they are relevant to International Trade Law, as possible. In so doing, like an encyclopedia, the *Dictionary of International Trade Law* provides references to additional reading for many entries. Note, then, the three audiences: students (again, especially in law and allied graduate programs); scholars (in law schools and allied graduate programs); and practicing attorneys (whether in government, the private sector, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), or international organizations). These audiences are global, because trade tautologically is.

Supplementing the definitions of terms, elaborations of the contexts in which they are used, and exposition of the theories underlying terms, are Free Trade Agreement and Historical Research Tools. They are set forth in Annexes A and B, respectively. International Trade Law is a field in which careful research is indispensable, but – alas – time is precious. The Annexes, along with the definitions themselves, aim to assist in this asymmetric milieu. Toward that end, a vital innovation in the Third Edition of the *Dictionary* is the Note entitled "Critical Analysis of *Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP)*."

Also supplementing many of the definitions of terms are *Suggestions for Further Research*. The *Suggestions* are publications in various formats (books, law review articles, book chapters, and other sources), generally from January 1995 through December 2014. These dates are admittedly arbitrary, and some publications of interest either pre- or post-date the boundaries.

Confessedly, when I began the First Edition of the *Dictionary*, I had in my research files publications dating to at least the mid-1990s. That happenstance explains the starting date for the *Suggestions*. The Second Edition was a roughly 100 percent expansion from the First Edition (1,228 versus 690 pages, respectively). So, to continue to list sources would have put the *Dictionary* on an unsustainable trajectory: the *Dictionary* would have become more of a source index than a lexicographic resource. The *Suggestions* would have dwarfed definitional entries. That explains the ending date for the

Suggestions of December 2014. Of course, a scholar or attorney competent in the field of International Trade Law could justify this end point as being of special importance in the history of this field, namely, from the birth of the World Trade Organization (WTO) into roughly the first two decades of the life of the WTO.

In any event, scholarship in the field of International Trade Law has burgeoned, while informational technology and its search engines have become faster and more thorough. So, it is neither possible nor necessary to list all potentially relevant publications as *Suggestions*. That the *Suggestions* are adequate to commence further research, *i.e.*, they are a reasonable starting point, is what matters.

I eschew listing any of my own publications in the *Suggestions*. Indeed, I recommend strongly that the work of others be consulted. Should the reader be interested in my publications, the reader may find them on the University of Kansas School of Law website (www.law.ku.edu). Virtually all of them are freely downloadable from the Social Science Research Network (SSRN) and KU ScholarWorks.

No dictionary is a static reference. To maintain, and better yet enhance, its quality, new editions are necessary. Each Edition is a commitment to that upward trajectory. That commitment could not be made without the marvelous support of Research Assistants (RAs) at the University of Kansas School of Law – past, present, and future. With their contributions, the importance of which I cannot overstate, and the comments of readers who consult this *Dictionary* – even if for little purpose other than to check a narrow point – the volume might gain the reputation of "encyclopedic."

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Of course, I take full responsibility for any and all errors in the *Dictionary*, and am most grateful if the reader kindly brings them to my attention at the above coordinates.

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This *Dictionary* is drawn from a prodigious number of sources. Space does not permit a full list of the hundreds of law books, book chapters, and articles I have examined, in varying degrees of intensity, over the years, and to which I remain indebted. That list grows daily. I am indebted to each source for teaching me something new about International Trade Law. The convention I follow is to cite a source, by way of a footnote, in instances of a direct quote from, or direct dependence on, that source. Any other approach would turn this *Dictionary* into little else than a long list of sources.

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What I learned from legal sources referenced in earlier *Dictionary* editions resonates in the present edition. Space does not permit a full list of the hundreds of law books, book chapters, and articles I have examined over the years, and to which I remain indebted. That list grows daily. The same policy applies to legal sources: a footnote accompanies a direct quote or great dependence.

Finally, it is readily apparent none of my own publications are mentioned above. That omission is purposeful. It is essential the reader know the *Dictionary* is not intended to be a recycling bin, or a marketing device, for my prior work. To be sure, efficiency dictates some degree of overlap with earlier work. Still, adding value mandates examining new and different sources from around the globe. The result ought to be new, insightful, and synthetic. Should the reader find it relevant to pursue any of my other works, they may be found through a variety of search tools, and are listed on the University of Kansas School of Law website (http://www.law.ku.edu).

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