

Rafael Valim

Education

- Doctorate in Law from the Pontifical Catholic University of São Paulo, PUC/SP, under the supervision of Professor Celso Antônio Bandeira de Mello (2010–2015);
- Master's Degree in Law from the Pontifical Catholic University of São Paulo, under the guidance of Professor Celso Antônio Bandeira de Mello (2006– 2009);
- Postgraduate Specialization in Constitutional Justice and Human Rights from the Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha (2007);
- Bachelor of Laws from the Pontifical Catholic University of São Paulo, PUC/SP (2001 - 2005).

Teaching

- Professor of the Advanced Course in Critical Theory of Society at the University of Milan-Bicocca (Italy);
- Professor in the Master's Degree in Anti-Corruption at the Universidad Panamericana (Mexico);
- Visiting Professor at the University of Le Havre Normandie (France, 2020);
- Simon Visiting Professor at the University of Manchester (England, 2018);
- Professor of Public International Law at the Faculty of Social Sciences of the Pontifical Catholic University of São Paulo (until 2018);
- Professor of Administrative Law and Fundamentals of Public Law at the Law School of the Pontifical Catholic University of São Paulo (until 2018).

Current positions

- Partner and head of the Public Law department at Warde Advogados law firm;
- Director of the Institute for the Reform of Relations between State and Business (IREE);
- Editor-in-Chief of Editora Contracorrente.

Legal practice

- Domestically, he acts before the Brazilian Supreme Court in cases that are decisive for Brazilian institutions;

- Internationally, he has acted in high-profile cases as a lawyer and legal advisor in the international and regional (European and Inter-American) human rights protection systems.

Activities on Boards and Committees

- Member of the Board of Directors of the Paris 8 Foundation (Université Paris 8);
- Member of the Board of the Justice and Peace Commission of São Paulo;
- Member of the Advisory Board of the Ombudsman's Office of the Public Defender's Office of the State of São Paulo;
- Member of the Selection Committee for the 9th USP Human Rights Award.

Publications

- Monographs and edited books
- * (with Eduardo Moreira). *The Last Chance: The PGR's Complaint and the Future of Democracy* (ed.). São Paulo: Editora Contracorrente, 2025.
- * (with Cristiano Zanin and Valeska Zanin Martins). *Fare la guerra com il diritto: introduzione al lawfare*. Milan: Edizioni Punto Rosso, 2022.
- * *The Lula case and the failure of Brazilian justice*. In: Ivana Jinkings. (Org.). *Truth will prevail: the people know why they condemn me*. São Paulo: Boitempo, 2018, pp. 177-184.
- * (with Pablo Ángel Gutiérrez Colantuono). *Confronting corruption within the limits of the rule of law*. In: ZANIN MARTINS, Cristiano; TEIXEIRA ZANIN MARTINS, Valeska; VALIM, Rafael. (Eds.). *The Lula case: the struggle for the affirmation of fundamental rights in Brazil*. Buenos Aires: Editorial Astrea, 2018, pp. 71-79.
- * *Brazilian legal discourse: from farce to cynicism*. In: Jessé Souza; Rafael Valim. (Org.). *Rescuing Brazil*. São Paulo: Contracorrente / Boitempo, 2018, pp. 113-121.
- * *The right to be forgotten in Brazilian law*. In: Tambou O., Bourton S. (Eds.). *The right to be forgotten in Europe and beyond*. Luxembourg: Blogdroiteuropéen, 2018, pp. 116-121.
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- * The specificities of Brazilian federalism. In: CALMES-BRUNET, Sylvia; SAGAR, Arun. (Org.). *Federalism, decentralization, and regionalization in Europe. Comparative perspectives*. Rouen: Editions L'Epitoge - Lextenso, 2017, pp. 61-72.
- * The fundamental right of access to public information. In: VALIM, Rafael; MALHEIROS, Antonio Carlos; BACARIÇA, Josephina. (Org.). *Access to public information*. Belo Horizonte: Forum, 2014, pp. 35-45.
- * Governance and fundamental rights. In: Romeu Felipe Bacellar Filho; Daniel Wunder Hachem. (Eds.). *Public Law in Mercosur: state intervention, fundamental rights, and sustainability*. Belo Horizonte: Editora Fórum, 2013, pp. 297-302.
- * The principle of legal certainty in Administrative Law. In: Rafael Valim; José Roberto Pimenta Oliveira; Augusto Neves Dal Pozzo. (Org.). *Treatise on the principle of legal certainty in Administrative Law*. Belo Horizonte: Forum, 2013, pp. 65-94.
- * Notes on social rights. In: Antonio Carlos Malheiros; Josephina Bacariça; Rafael Valim. (Org.). *Human rights: challenges and perspectives*. Belo Horizonte: Forum, 2011, pp. 173-180.
- Articles
- * State of exception: the legal form of neoliberalism. *Derechos em acción*, v. 7, pp. 438-461, 2018.
- * State of exception: the legal form of neoliberalism. *Der Ausnahmestand als rechtliche Form des Neoliberalismus. Zeitschrift für Politikwissenschaft*, v. 28, pp. 409-421, 2018.
- * Promotion as an instrument of justice. In: Tomás Hutchinson. (Org.). *Revista de Derecho Público 2017-2: Economic, social, and cultural rights*. Santa Fe: Rubinzal-Culzoni, 2017, pp. 273-297.
- * The fundamental right of access to public information in Brazilian law. *Revista de Investigações Constitucionais*, v. 3, pp. 169-181, 2016.
- * The fundamental right of access to public information in Brazilian law. *Administrative Law*, v. 97, pp. 137-144, 2015.
- * The fundamental right of access to public information in Brazilian law. *Administrative Law Studies*, v. 12, p. 575, 2015.
- * The control of public administration in Brazilian law. *Administrative Law*, v. 91, p. 147-160, 2014.
- * The principle of legal certainty in Administrative Law. *Argentine Journal of Public Administration - RAP*, v. 418, p. 275, 2013.
- * Governance and fundamental rights. *Argentine Journal of Public Administration*, v. 408, p. 103, 2012.

* Comments on the STF ruling in MC in Rcl 6.207-4 (865) - AM. Quarterly Journal of Public Law - 51/52. São Paulo: Malheiros, 2010.

* (with Bruno Aurélio) Brazilian overview of urgent relief against the State. Quarterly Journal of Public Law - 51/52. São Paulo: Malheiros, 2010.

Editorial activity

- Over the course of 10 years at the helm of Editora Contracorrente, he edited more than 250 titles in the areas of law, politics, and economics. He created the most important catalog of critical legal theory, with a special emphasis on works in defense of fundamental rights and the democratic regime.
- In 2025, he won the Jabuti Award (Brazil's most important literary award) for the publication of the book "Racial Literacy: a proposal for the reconstruction of Brazilian democracy."