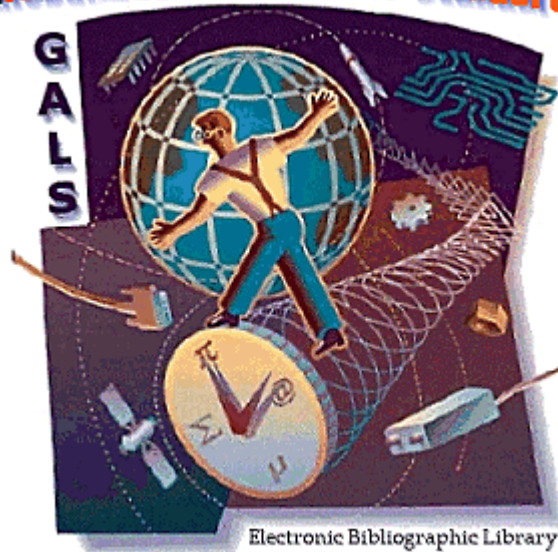


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### Industry-Specific Case Studies

**Edmondson, Michael K., "A Tale of Two Appellations: a comparative study of international agreements and prevailing law impacting the availability of seasonal employees for the wine-grape harvest in California's Napa Valley and France's Bordeaux Appellation", *Georgia Journal of International and Comparative Law* v. 31 no3 (Spring 2003) p. 547-86**

#### Abstract:

This Note evaluates and compares the different approaches taken by the governments of California and France to meet the labor needs of their respective wine industries. Part II discusses the importance of the wine industry to California and France. Part III examines the problems stemming from the need for seasonal migrant labor in each of these regions. Parts IV

and VI explain pertinent labor regulations in each country, including laws regulating immigration, law specifying the treatment of migrant workers, and law concerning their housing. Part VIII discusses the active role taken by the relevant governments to assist their respective wine industries in securing the required labor force to complete the wine-grape harvest. The author concludes, in Part IX, that wine-growers in both California and in France have taken socially responsible steps to protect the socially vulnerable people who toil in their vineyards.

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**Pietrolungo, Kathryn E. & Tinkham, Brian, "Global Rule One: Sag's Answer to Runaway Production", *Southwestern Journal of Law and Trade in the Americas* v. 9 (2003) p. 357**

**Abstract:**

This article explores Global Rule One, a Screen Actors Guild (SAG) provision primarily used to prevent Hollywood producers from leaving California to pursue projects in less expensive countries. Part II provides an overview of SAG and Global Rule One, focusing on why SAG felt it necessary to implement this protectionist rule. Part III examines the three possible methods by which SAG may attempt to enforce Global Rule One in foreign locations. Part IV reviews the implementation of the rule in Australia as an example of how SAG could approach implementation in other countries. Part V focuses on the future of Global Rule One and possible legislation that will encourage producers to remain in the U.S. and end runaway film production.

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## **Labor Rights in General (Misc.)**

**Collins, Erika C. & Mokros, Bradley R. & Simmons, John, "Labor and Employment Developments from around the World", *International Lawyer* v. 37 no2 (Summer 2003) p. 329-57**

**Abstract:**

This article reviews international legal developments in the field of business regulation, summarizing labor and employment regulations enacted in various countries in 2002. Eighteen different countries, ranging from Australia to the Netherlands to the United Kingdom, are discussed in alphabetical order. Topics span a broad spectrum from paid parental leave to reform of copyright law to protection for part-time employees.

**Subjects:** [Country-Specific Case Studies](#), [Labor Rights in General \(Misc.\)](#)

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## Women's Rights

**Meils, Hannah L., "A Lesson from NAFTA: Can the FTAA Function as a Tool for Improvement in the Lives of Working Women?", *Indiana Law Journal* v. 78 no2 (Summer 2003) p. 877-97**

**Abstract:**

This Note discusses the ways in which the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) has failed to offer women laborers sufficient protections and suggests ways in which future trade agreements, particularly the Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) can offer strengthened protections for women. Part I provides an overview of NAFTA, FTAA and the North American Agreement on Labor Cooperation (NAALC), a side agreement to NAFTA that deals with labor issues. Part II counters the arguments made by those who believe that labor concerns have no place within international trade agreements. Part III addresses the problems that women have faced in getting their specific needs addressed in both domestic and international law. Part IV outlines the substantive and procedural provisions contained within the NAFTA and NAALC agreements and points to specific areas where women's labor needs were not adequately addressed. Part V urges negotiators of the FTAA to heed the failings of the NAFTA and NAALC agreements and to frame a strong, women's-labor-friendly international trade agreement.

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**LabourWeb:** <http://www.lex.unict.it/eurolabor/en/>

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**Labor and Global Change Database:** <http://www.ilir.umich.edu/lagn/>

The Labor and Global Change Database provides bibliographies, citation information and (where available) web links to the full text of research exploring connections between labor and globalization. The database aims to provide researchers with an easy means to make the results of their work widely available to other scholars and the interested public. The database is run by and continually updated by the Labor and Global Change Program of the University of Michigan.

**Trade Unions and Labor Relations Database:** <http://www.polwiss.fu-berlin.de/tu/english/>

The database, produced by the Institute of Labor Relations of the Otto-Suhr-Institute of the Freie University of Berlin, contains almost 7,000 citations of books, articles, working papers, brochures, proceedings etc. The bulk of the citations address aspects of labor relations in Germany, but there is a substantial body of literature in the database covering the EU and Eastern Europe.

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