

# 14<sup>th</sup> Annual South Asia Legal Studies Workshop

Thursday, October 15 & Friday, October 16, 2020



## University of Wisconsin Law School

**Note to participants about the workshop format:** There will be no formal presentations at the workshop. Each session will feature a discussion of a short pre-circulated proposal or paper (10-12pp.), which attendees are expected to read in advance.

**Note:** The papers indicated with an \* are incubator proposals. All others are short papers.

Times given are Central Standard Time, USA and Canada.

### Day 1: Thursday, October 15, 2020

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| 8:00-8:30am | <b>Welcome and Introductions</b><br><b>Mitra Sharafi</b><br><i>University of Wisconsin-Madison</i>  |
| 8:30-9:00am | <b>Paper 1:</b> “Nine Voices: A Journey Through the Opinions of the Women Justices of the Supreme Court of India”<br><b>Shivangi Gangwar</b><br><i>Jindal Global University, India</i><br><br><b>Commentator:</b> Tarunabh Khaitan<br><i>Melbourne Law School/Oxford University</i> |
| 9:00-9:30am | <b>Paper 2:</b> “Silicosis and the State: Reframing Contestations between Capital and Labor in Contemporary India”<br><b>Shruti Iyer</b><br><i>University of Oxford, U.K.</i>   |

**Commentator:** James Jaffe  
*University of Wisconsin-Whitewater (emeritus)*

9:30-9:45am

**Break**

9:45-10:15am

**Paper 3:** “The South Asia Fourth Branch: Designing Election Commissions for Constitutional Resilience”

**Michael Pal**

*University of Ottawa, Canada*

**Commentator:** Maryam Khan

*University of Wisconsin Law School*

10:15-10:45am

**Paper 4:** “The Power to do Complete Justice: Notes on the Absolutist Jurisdiction of the Indian Supreme Court”

**Sayantana Saha Roy**

*University of Chicago, USA*

Commentator: Cynthia Farid

*University of Wisconsin Law School*

## Day 2: Friday, October 16, 2020

8:00-8:30am

**Paper 5:** “The Noose: To Kill or Not to Kill”

**Alistair McClure**

*University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong*

Commentator: Uponita Mukherjee

*Columbia University*

8:30-9:00am

**Paper 6:** “Refugees, Minority Citizens, and the Law: Sindh’s Deterritorialized Partition”

**Uttara Shahani**

*University of Cambridge, U.K.*

Commentator: Mishal Khan

*University of Texas at Austin*

- 9:00-9:30am      **Paper 7: “Reshaping legal Norms: Technological (Algorithmic) Governance and Resistance”**  
**Salwa Tabaussum Hoque**  
*New York University, USA*
- Commentator: Sunil Rao  
*University of Wisconsin Law Library*
- 9:30-9:45am      Break
- 9:45-10:15am      **Paper 8: “A Moral Hazard? Risk, Religion, Modern Finance in the Indian Ocean World, 1850-1950”\***  
**Elizabeth Lhost**  
*Dartmouth College, USA*
- Commentator: Hayden Bellenoit  
*United States Naval Academy*
- 10:15-10:45am      **Paper 9: “State, Development and Conflict in Adivasi Lands of India: Access to Justice a Way Forward”**  
**Arvind Kumar**  
*University of Victoria, Canada*
- Commentator: Michael Pal  
*University of Ottawa, Canada*
- 10:45am      **Concluding Remarks**  
Mitra Sharafi  
*University of Wisconsin-Madison*