11th Annual
South Asia Legal Studies workshop

Thursday, October 26, 2017
Lubar Commons (7200 Law)
University of Wisconsin Law School

Program

8:30
Registration and breakfast

8:50
Welcome and Introductions
MITRA SHARAFI
Associate Professor of Law and Legal Studies, UW-Madison

9:00-10:30
Panel 1: Constitutionalism 1: Living with Difference in Divided Societies

Chair: Tarunabh Khaitan
Associate Professor, Law Faculty, University of Oxford

“The Myth of a ‘Consensus’ Constitution”
MOEEN CHEEMA
Senior Lecturer, Australian National University College of Law

“Directive Principles and the Expressive Accommodation of Ideological Dissenters”
TARUNABH KHAITAN
Associate Professor, Law Faculty, University of Oxford

“Constitutional Warfares across History: Founding Ideologies versus Constitutional Design in Bangladesh”
CYNTHIA FARID
SJD candidate, University of Wisconsin Law School
“Beyond the Oligarchy: Insurgencies and Disappearances in the Indian Constituent Assembly”
ROHIT DE
Assistant Professor, Department of History, Yale University

10:30-10:45 Break

10:45-12:15 Panel 2 - Constitutionalism 2: The State and its People in India and Sri Lanka

Chair
TARUNABH KHAITAN
Associate Professor, Law Faculty, University of Oxford

“Muthiah's Citizenship Application: Political Belonging and Legal Bureaucracies in 1950s Sri Lanka”
KALYANI RAMNATH
Ph.D. candidate, Princeton University

“Separate Electorates and Economic Power in Indian Constitutionalism”
TEJAS PARASHER
PhD Candidate, Department of Political Science, University of Chicago

“The People and the Making of the Indian Constitution”
ORNIT SHANI
Senior Lecturer, Department of Asian Studies, University of Haifa

12:15-1:30 Lunch & Keynote Address

“Building the Field of Buddhism and Law”
REBECCA REDWOOD FRENCH
Professor, University of Buffalo School of Law

1:30-1:45 Launch of the Indian Law Review
TARUNABH KHAITAN
Board of Editors
Panel 3: Examining the Development of Legal Regulation in the Indian City

Chair: James Jaffe  
Professor Emeritus, Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

“Legislating ‘Civilizing Specialties’ in Calcutta: Municipal Politics and the Hackney Carriage Act in Early 20th Century”  
SOUVANIK MULLICK  
PhD Candidate, Anthropology Department, Yale University

“Illiberal Urbanism and the Double System of Governance in Colonial Cities”  
SHEETAL CHHABRIA  
Assistant Professor of History, Connecticut College

“Materiality and Mediation: Making Property in the City of Bombay, 1918-1976”  
RACHEL STURMAN  
Associate Professor, Department of History & Asian Studies Program, Bowdoin College

3:15-3:30  
Break

Panel 4: Law, Violence, and State Power in India

Chair/Discussant: Haley Duschinski  
Associate Professor, Sociology & Anthropology, Ohio University

“The Death Penalty in India’s Broken Criminal Justice System”  
ANUP SURENDRANATH  
Director, Centre on the Death Penalty, National Law University Delhi

“Torturing Democracies: Rule of Law and Policing Practices in India”  
JINEE LOKANEETA  
Department of Political Science, Drew University

“Understanding Crimes Against Humanity in Punjab, India”  
SUHKMAN DHAMI  
Co-founder, Ensaaf, California