Program

9:30-9:50  Registration and Refreshments

9:50-10:00  Welcome and Introductions
Mitra Sharafi
University of Wisconsin Law School

10:00-11:00  Keynote Address 1
“Selecting Judges for a Democratic India”
Justice Chelameswar Jasti
Supreme Court of India

11:00-12:30  Panel 1: “Markets, States, Theft and Nature: Natural resource use and regulation in South Asia”

Chair:
Kaushik Sunder Rajan
University of Chicago

Speakers:

“How to Take Over a Forest: Consent, New Documentary Regimes and Power Contests in the Working of Forest Rights Act, 2006 in Eastern India”
Aniket Aga
University of Michigan Ann Arbor &
Chitrangada Choudhury
Independent Researcher & Journalist, India

“Custom as a Category: Empire and Water Law in British India”
David Gilmartin
North Carolina State University
“Designs on Water: A Bank, a Business, and a Property Agent”
MAIRA HAYAT
University of Chicago

“Rights with Reciprocity, Towards a Postcolonial Understanding of Rights”
MUBBASHIR RIZVI
Georgetown University

12:30-2:00  Lunch and Keynote Address 2

"Reform through the Lowest Bidder: Lessons from Rule-of-Law Programs in Pakistan”
OSAMA SIDDIQUE
Law and Policy Research Network (LPRN), Pakistan and Harvard Law School

2:15-3:45pm  Roundtable - Free Speech and Public Space: Exploring Modes of Speech Regulation and Resistance in South Asia

Facilitator:
ANIL KALHAN
Drexel University

Participants:
MARYAM KHAN
Institute of Development and Economic Alternatives (IDEAS), Pakistan

SITAL KALANTRY
Cornell University

NICHOLAS ROBINSON
Visiting Lecturer, Yale Law School

SHANTHI SENTHE
Thompson Rivers University, Canada

CYNTHIA FARID
University of Wisconsin Law School

3:45-4:00 pm  Break
Panel 2: Accounting for Abuse in South Asia

Chair:
SUMUDU ATAPATTU
University of Wisconsin Law School

Speakers:

“Human Rights Challenges and the Quest for a Regional Human Rights Mechanism in South Asia”
ANJUMAN ARA BEGUM
Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development (Forum-Asia), Nepal

“Policing India’s Military Police”
SURABHI CHOPRA
Chinese University of Hong Kong

“Rights in Context: Formal and Informal Norms Mediating Violence Against Women in India”
TAMARA RELIS
London School of Economics and Political Science

“Tenuous Legality: The Tensions within Anti-Terrorism Laws in India”
MANISHA SETHI
Centre for the Study of Comparative Religions and Civilizations Jamia Milia Islamia
Jamia Nagar, New Delhi, India

“Mathura to Bastar: Tracing Sexual Violence by the State in India”
RIA SINGH SAWHNEY
Advocate, New Delhi and LLM Program, Columbia Law School

Closing Remarks
MITRA SHARAFI
University of Wisconsin Law School