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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics Expected - 2012

- George Mason University

European Masters in Law and Economics (*Distinction*) 2007-08

- University of Hamburg (Term I)
- University of Ghent (Term II)
- University of Bologna (Term III)

L.L.B (Bachelor of Law) 2004-07

- University of Delhi, Faculty of Law, Campus Law Centre

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Economics (*First Division*) 2001-04

- University of Delhi, Hans Raj College

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

“Sunlight is the Best Disinfectant”, *Delhi Law Review Vol II 2005*

WORKING PAPERS

“Environmental Protection for Developing Countries: The Polluter-Does-Not-Pay Principle” (with Francesco Parisi and Barbara Luppi) - **Under Review**

“Indian Property Wrongs”

“The Real Cost of Takings for Development”

“Implications of an Activist Judiciary in Indian Environment Law”

“The Economics of Sex Trafficking: A Review of Siddharth Kara’s *Sex Trafficking: Inside the Business of Modern Slavery*”

POLICY PUBLICATIONS

“Judicial Activism: Courting Controversy”, *Combat Law, November-December 2006*

“Right to Information Act 2004”, *PILSARC Working Papers, Right to Information Dossier 2006*

“Land and Forest Department”, *Jharkhand Citizens Handbook 2006*

“Jharkhand Housing Board”, *Jharkhand Citizens Handbook 2005*

“Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Bill”, *Centre for Civil Society Working Papers 2003*

“Directorate of Prohibition”, *Centre for Civil Society Working Papers 2003*

POPULAR PRESS PUBLICATIONS

“Judging Equality”, *Wall Street Journal Asia, April 16, 2008*

“India’s Socialist Constitution”, *Wall Street Journal Asia, January 22, 2008*

“Are we Free to be Foolish?”, *Mint, December 10, 2007*

“Big Brother”, *Wall Street Journal Asia, September 27, 2007*

“Property Rights and Wrongs”, *Mint, May 24, 2007*

“Indian Property Wrongs”, *Wall Street Journal Asia, May 21, 2007*

“Reverse Robinhood Land Reforms”, *Mint, February 7, 2007*

“The Reality of Reality Television”, *Okonomos 2006*

“The Economics of Colour”, *Okonomos 2005*

“Arrows Judicial Activism Theorem”, *Okonomos 2004*

“*Dabbawallahs- A Micro Market Study*”, *Okonomos 2003*

“Famine and Society”, *Oikos* 2002

“G?- Globalisation”, *Okonomos* 2002

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Mercatus Center Ph.D. Fellow 2008-09

Erasmus Mundus Scholar 2007-08

Charles G Koch Summer Fellow 2006

Centre for Cultural Resources and Training Scholarship, Government of India 1998-2002

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

“Taking(s) from Development” *Public Choice Society*, Las Vegas, NV. March 2009.

“Famine and Entitlement” *International Sociological Association World Congress*, Brisbane, Australia. July 2002.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Mercatus Center 2008-09

- Research Assistant to Prof Daniel Klein, Professor of Economics, George Mason University

Public Interest Legal Support and Research Centre, New Delhi, India 2005- 07

- Part Time Research Associate to Dr. Rajeev Dhavan (Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India)
- Researcher-Free Speech Cell and Supreme Court Litigation Team for *pro bono* cases and *amicus* briefs.

COURSES TAUGHT

Comparative Economic Systems- Prime Education Centre for Economics, New Delhi.

- Spring and Fall (2004-07)
- Taught the course prescribed by University of Delhi, Department of Economics.

RESEARCH INTERNSHIPS

Alliance for School Choice, Phoenix, USA August-September 2006

Center for Competitive Politics, Washington DC, USA June- August 2006

Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative, New Delhi, India July-October 2004

Centre for Civil Society, New Delhi, India May-July 2003

Centre for the Study of Administration of Relief, New Delhi, India May-July 2002

VOLUNTARY WORK

Aid India Tsunami Relief Operations Volunteer Team December 2004- January 2005

- Village Team Leader – Kuttiyandiyur Tamil Nadu

MEMBERSHIP

Delhi Bar Council (2007 onwards)

Public Choice Society 2009

Law Students Association of India (LSAI) (2004-07)

Students for Promotion of International Law (SPIL) (2004-07)

International Jurist Organisation (IJO) (2004-07)

Economics Society, Hans Raj College, University of Delhi (2001-04)

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

Student Editor, Delhi Law Review, 2005 (Resigned due to prior commitment to the Koch Fellowship)

Founder and Editor, *Okonomos*, Hans Raj College Economics Department Magazine (2002-03)

Editorial Board Member, *The Sentinel*, Newsletter of the Law Students Association of India (2004; 2005; 2006)