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Doctoral Teaching Fellow  
College of Criminal Justice

### **Degrees Earned**

PhD in Criminal Justice. Sam Houston State University, TX, 2008 (Expected)

LLM in Criminal Law. University at Buffalo Law School, State University of New York at Buffalo, NY, 2004.

LLB, University of Delhi, India, 1998.

B.Ed, English Teaching Methodology. University of Delhi, India, 1992.

M.A., English Literature. University of Delhi, India, 1991.

B.A., English Literature and Language. Gauhati University, Guwahati, Assam, India, 1989.

### **Professional Licensure and Certifications**

Admitted to the New York State Bar on June 24, 2004.

### **Peer-Review Publications**

Barua, V. (2009). Accountability and transparency of the federal judiciary. *The Criminal Law Bulletin*, 45(3). (Forthcoming).

Barua, V. (2008). “Synthetic sanity”: A way around the Eighth Amendment? *The Criminal Law Bulletin*, 44(4). (Forthcoming).

Barua, V. (2008). Excessive use of force by the police —Improper use of Tasers and stun guns. *The Graduate Research Exchange: Inquiry and Scholarship*, Sam Houston State University. (Forthcoming).

Barua, V. (2007). Book Review Essay: Crime and social control in Pakistani society. *Journal of Criminal Justice and Popular Culture*, 14(2), 227-236.

### **Books**

Barua, V. (2002). *Press and Media Law Manual*. Delhi, India: Universal Book Trading Co.

### **Chapters**

Barua, V. 1999. Contributed on *Indian Investments Abroad—United States of America, United Kingdom, Germany, France, Canada and Australia*. In Singhania, D.C. (1999).

*Foreign Collaborations and Investments in India - Law and Procedures.* Delhi, India: Universal Book Trading Co.

### **Research Monographs and Technical Reports**

Barua, V. (2006). *Terrorism in India.* Huntsville, TX: Sam Houston State University.

### **Peer-Review Presentations/Posters**

*Accountability and transparency of the federal judiciary.* Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA. November 2007.

*Excessive use of force by the police —Improper use of Tasers and stun guns.* Presented at the 10th Annual Graduate Research Exchange, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX. March 2007.

*Legal liabilities for use of Tasers and stun guns by the police.* Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Seattle, WA. March 2007.

*Synthetic sanity: A way around the Eighth Amendment?* Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Los Angeles, CA. November 2006.

*Terrorism in India.* Participated in a round table discussion on current issues in the war on terrorism at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Los Angeles, CA. November 2006.

*Rise and mushrooming of insurgent groups in Assam and the general “angst at large.”* Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice, Oklahoma City, OK. October 2005.

*Terrorism in India.* Presented at the Advisory Board Meeting of the Institute for the Study of Violent Groups, Huntsville, TX. May 2005.

### **Work or Professional Experiences**

Teaching Fellow, College of Criminal Justice, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas. Teaching areas include *Professionalism and Ethics in Criminal Justice*, *White Collar Crimes*, and *Introduction to Methods of Research*. August 2005 - present.

Research Assistant to Prof. Margo L. Frasier, College of Criminal Justice, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas. January 2007 – May 2007.

Monograph Writer, Institute for the Study of Violent Groups, Huntsville, Texas. Wrote a monograph on terrorism in India, and compiled data about violent groups in South Asia. November 2004 - August 2005.

Legal intern, American Society of Journalists and Authors, New York. Worked under the supervision of Sallie G. Randolph, Chair of Legal Resources Committee in Buffalo, New York. Responsibilities included handling cases, doing research and dealing with clients. March 2004 - June 2004.

Research assistant to Prof Shubha Ghosh. University at Buffalo Law School, State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo, New York. Research areas included Criminal Law Dimensions in Intellectual Property, and Domain Names in India. Feb 2003 - Jan 2004.

Executive Editor of *Buffalo Criminal Law Review*. Fall 2003.

Research assistant to Prof Johanna Oreskovic. Research areas included International Human Rights issues. Summer 2003.

Senior Correspondent (Law), *The Financial Express*, New Delhi, India. Feb 2002-Jan 2003.

Sub-Editor, *Business Standard*, New Delhi, India. Additionally covered the Delhi High Court as a law correspondent. Nov 1999-Feb 2002.

Associate Attorney and Head of the Publication Division, Singhanian & Co., New Delhi, India. July 1998-Oct 1999.

Sub-Editor, *The Asian Age*, New Delhi, India. Jan 1997-July 1998.

#### **Honors and Awards**

Excellence in Writing Award, Sam Houston State University 2007

Buffalo Criminal Law Center Fellowship, 2003