

Harjaap Ahluwalia, ACI Arb

Brampton, Ontario

ARTICLING CANDIDATE

Internationally trained and NCA Qualified law student licensed to practice law in New Delhi, India and pursuing requalification to practice in Alberta, Canada. Experienced in applying legal analysis across fast-paced and detail-driven environments and known for translating complex legal issues into clear and practical solutions. Brings a strong foundation in legal research, contract analysis and dispute resolution complimented by fluency in English, Punjabi and Hindi, as well as intermediate fluency in French. Eager to contribute and learn from a Canadian legal team.

EDUCATION

NCA Certificate of Qualifications (CQ), Federation of Law Societies of Canada January 2025

Master of Laws (Research LL.M.), Osgoode Hall Law School – York University July 2024 - Present

National Law University, Delhi, India August 2019 – July 2024

- CGPA: A
- Called to the Bar in New Delhi in 2025.

Certificate in Law, Queen's University, Kingston September 2021 - July 2022

Diploma in International Arbitration, Arbitration LAB (London and Basel) August 2025

Explore Program (French Immersion), UQTR, Quebec June 2024 – August 2024

- Participated in the Summer French Immersion Program by Explore.

EMPLOYMENT

JURIST Legal News, Pittsburgh, USA (Remote) June 2024 — Present

Global digital legal news platform with 1M+ yearly readers, cited by policymakers and academics worldwide. (www.jurist.org)

Associate Editor and Alumni Engagement Coordinator (May 2025 – Present)

- Applied editorial judgment, attention to detail and organizational skills in a structured, deadline-driven environment.
- Wrote 100+ articles on various legal news topics on Canadian, American and International legal issues.
- Promoted twice in 12 months, began as an Assistant Editor and News Writer, and was promoted to Associate Editor after 8 months. Was promoted to Alumni Engagement Coordinator after 1 year of joining.

Assistant Editor and News Writer (June 2024 – May 2025)

- Wrote over 50 articles on various legal news topics on Canadian, American and International Legal Issues.
- Conducted detailed legal research on breaking news stories, verified primary sources and summarized legal news into short form content in a deadline driven environment.

National Law University, Delhi (India) August 2023 – May 2024

Premier Indian law school ranked as India's second best law school, with a focus on experiential learning and moot court training.

Teaching Assistant and Peer Tutor

Was a Teaching Assistant for Taxation Laws, Law of Property, Clinic II, English LLCSL and Law of Contracts-II Courses. I assisted as a Peer Tutor for the Law of Contracts-II, Law of Torts-I and International Law (Public) Courses.

- Designed and delivered lectures and tutorials and assisted with the grading of projects.
- Provided one-on-one tutoring to a total of 8 peers.

Gaggar & Partners, New Delhi, India

April 2024 – October 2024

Full-service law firm located in Delhi, India specializing in corporate, disputes and competition law.

Legal Intern (Capital Markets)

- Researched the Vistara merger company appeal, found latest laws on various propositions relating to cases before the CCI, tracked the progress of cases filed against a Real Estate Developer before different forums such as HRERA, NCLT, NCDRC, High Court and Supreme Court.
- Analysed the Vistara merger appeal before the Competition Commission of India, identifying precedent setting rulings on market dominance that shaped the legal strategy.
- Monitored concurrent cases for a real estate developer and reviewed various shareholder agreements.

Project 39A, New Delhi, India

February 2020 – February 2021

A Research Centre and criminal justice initiative at National Law University, Delhi that conducts empirical research and provides pro bono legal representation on issues like the death penalty, legal aid, forensics, and mental health in prisons to promote equal justice and opportunity under Article 39A of the Indian Constitution.

Communications Intern

Assisted the communications team with their digital strategy, maintained the centre's website and helped launch the Project39A Criminal Law blog.

- Regularly maintained and updated the Centre's website.
- Wrote the code for the Project39A Criminal Law Blog website and assisted with the design and creation.

Research Assistant

Provided research assistance in the development of the new database and compilation of the statistics for the Death Penalty in India Annual Statistics Report 2020.

- Provided research assistance in compiling and analyzing statistics on the use of the death penalty in India.
- Assisted with the filing of Right to Information (RTI) requests to prisons and government authorities.

VOLUNTEERING

UN Millennium Fellow – Class of 2022

September 2022 – December 2022

- Worked towards advancing SDG 11 & UNAI 8 through my project, InclusiCity.

Lerners Cup Moot 2025 (Osgoode Hall Law School)

March 2025

- Acted as a Judge in the first three rounds of the Lerners Cup Moot.

International Law Student Association

January 2025 – February 2026

- Invited to judge 13 memorials for the 2025 rounds of the Phillip C. Jessup Moot Competition.
- Invited to judge 8 memorials for the 2026 rounds of the Phillip C. Jessup Moot Competition.

Empowered Futures, Calgary, Alberta

March 2025 - Present

- Assist with the initiatives of the non-profit organization as a member of the legal team.

INTERESTS

Interests: Play both the classical and electrical guitar in my free time to unwind.

Certifications: NCA Certificate of Qualification

Skills: Proficiency in Hindi and Punjabi, Proficiency in using Clio, ULaw, DivorceMate, Westlaw, LexisNexis and CanLII

Membership: Advocate with the Bar Council of Delhi, Associate of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators