Brandeis Center Appoints Dawinder S. Sidhu to Academic Advisory Board

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Washington, D.C. – The <u>Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law</u>, a Washington, D.C.-based national civil rights organization established to advance the civil and human rights of the Jewish people and promote justice for all, announced today that it has appointed <u>Professor Dawinder 'Dave' S. Sidhu</u> to its <u>Academic Advisory Board</u>. Professor Sidhu, who teaches law at the University of New Mexico, strengthens the Center's expertise in the areas of constitutional law, criminal law, national security, and civil rights.

LDB President <u>Kenneth L. Marcus</u> commented, "We are very grateful for Professor Sidhu's expertise and are looking forward to working with him. Prof. Sidhu is a constitutional law scholar of great distinction, who has produced important scholarship during his appointments at New Mexico, Oxford, Harvard, Stanford, Georgetown, and elsewhere. He has published important articles exploring legal aspects of religious freedom and racial discrimination and co-authored an important article on the post-9/11 Sikh experience. He also brings important policy expertise developed during his earlier tenure at the U.S. Department's Office for Civil Rights."

Sidhu joins many distinguished scholars of the Brandeis Center's Academic Advisory Board: Hon. Irwin Cotler (Honorary Chair), David E. Bernstein, Catherine Chatterley, Richard Cravatts, Karen Eltis, Lesley Klaff, David Menashri, Dina Porat, Walter Reich, Alvin H. Rosenfeld, Tammi Rossman-Benjamin, Charles A. Small, Gregory H. Stanton, Ruth R. Wisse, and Aryeh K. Weinberg.

ABOUT PROFESSOR DAWINDER S. SIDHU

Dawinder "Dave" S. Sidhu joined the University of New Mexico law school faculty in 2011. He teaches and writes in the areas of constitutional law, criminal law, national security, and civil rights.

Sidhu has taught at the Georgetown University Law Center and the University of Baltimore School of Law, and has held research posts at the University of Oxford Faculty of Law, Georgetown University Law Center, and Harvard University's Pluralism Project. He has served as a fellow at the Supreme Court of the United States, staff attorney at the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights, and a law clerk to U.S. District Judge David G. Campbell. Sidhu has participated, on a volunteer basis, in several constitutional and civil rights cases before the Supreme Court and federal courts of appeal. His scholarship has been cited by practitioners in briefs before the Supreme Court of the United States (at the certiorari and merits stages), federal circuit courts, and state intermediate and high courts. In addition, his writings have appeared in various academic journals, including the University of Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law and the William and Mary Bill of Rights Journal, popular publications, including the New York Times and Washington Post, and blogs, including SCOTUSblog and Lawfare. Sidhu is a legal observer of military commissions at Guantanamo. He founded the law school chapter's of the Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project and serves as faculty advisor to both the American Constitution Society and the Federalist Society student groups. He also is an advisor to the Aspen Institute's Inclusive America Project.

ABOUT THE LOUIS D. BRANDEIS CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS UNDER LAW

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