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*cordially invites you to a panel discussion*

on

## State of Privacy in India: The Road Ahead

*to mark the first year of the*

*Justice K. S. Puttaswamy v. Union of India judgment*

#PrivacyDay

On August 24, 2017, a nine-judge bench of the Supreme Court of India passed a historic judgment in *Puttaswamy v. Union of India* affirming the right to privacy as a fundamental right. The issues surrounding extent of privacy had arisen during the constitutional challenge on the nature of personal information secured by the government for the national identity card (*Aadhaar*). Given the importance of the issues, both the Privacy and *Aadhaar* cases have had the second longest set of oral arguments in the history of the Supreme Court after *Kesavananda Bharati v. Union of India* (1973). A year later, while we are still awaiting the *Aadhaar* judgment, India is determining the unconstitutionality of Section 377 of the Indian Penal Code (IPC), and grappling with the challenge of framing a comprehensive data protection law.

In this context, the Privacy and Society Discussion Group (PSDG) is organising its first panel discussion on *State of Privacy in India: The Road Ahead* on August 24, 2018 to mark the first anniversary of the *Privacy Day* which is the day the nine-judge bench declared right to privacy as a fundamental right in India. The PSDG is an interactive forum at Jindal Global Law School where students, academicians, practitioners and policy makers can critically examine various facets of privacy and their impact on society. The PSDG seeks to move beyond classroom learning to examine questions through an interdisciplinary lens, to facilitate interaction, to increase awareness, and provide cutting-edge insight into issues such as data protection, security, surveillance, big data, social innovation, constitutional law, and related human rights issues.

### Panellists



**Apar Gupta** is a Delhi-based lawyer who studied at Amity Law School and obtained his masters from Columbia Law School. He was a partner at Advani and Co. before starting his own practice. Apar was featured in Forbes 30 under 30 in 2014. He has also written a commentary on the Information Technology Act that is published by Lexis Nexis Butterworths Wadhwa. Apar is a co-founder and trustee of The Internet Freedom Foundation. He assisted the Petitioners' side in the *Aadhaar* cases before the Supreme Court of India. He is widely published in some of the leading national dailies such as *The Hindu* and *The Indian Express*.



**Prasanna S** is a Delhi-based lawyer. Prior to commencing his legal practice, he worked for nearly ten years writing, designing and architecting software, having had a background and degree in computer science and engineering from the College of Engineering, Guindy, Anna University. He commenced his legal practice five years ago after earning his three-year LL.B from the Campus Law Centre, Faculty of Law, Delhi University. He assisted the Petitioners' side in the *Aadhaar* cases before the Supreme Court of India. His areas of interest include Constitutional Law & Jurisprudence, Privacy Law, Technology and Human Rights.

Friday, 24 August, 2018, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

T-2, Global Conference Room, 4th Floor

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