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PERSONAL INFORMATION

In her free time, Zahra enjoys knitting, writing fiction, spending time with her nieces and nephews, and discovering local cafes.

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- ♦ Associate Lawyer, Lerners LLP (2021)
- ♦ Articling Student, Lerners LLP (2020-2021)
- ♦ Summer Student, Human Rights Legal Support Centre (2019)

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ♦ Janet Lambert Book Prize in Equity Studies (2016)
- ♦ The City of Toronto Women's Studies Undergraduate Award (2015)
- ♦ Dean's International Initiatives Fund Recipient (2015)
- ♦ Scholars Award, University of Toronto (2012)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS/PUBLICATIONS

- ♦ Author, [Ontario Accident Benefits Case Summaries](#), LexisNexis (2022)
- ♦ Co-Author, Top Five Case Briefs Project, Ontario Justice Education Network (2018-2019)
- ♦ Call it what it is – Islamophobia: Erasure, Consciousness, and Resistance, IDERD Conference, University of Toronto (2017)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- ♦ Volunteer, Legal Services Coordination Pilot Program, Canadian Council of Muslim Women (CCMW)
- ♦ Vice President, Osgoode Peer Support Centre, Osgoode Hall Law School (2019-2020)
- ♦ Co-Director of External Communications, Osgoode Women's Network (OWN), Osgoode Hall Law School (2019-2020)
- ♦ Junior Caseworker, Immigration Law Division, Community Legal Aid Services Programme, Osgoode Hall Law School (2017-2018)
- ♦ Counsellor, 315NISA: Muslim Women's Helpline (2015-2017)

MEMBERSHIPS

- ♦ Member, Mentorship Committee, Women's Law Association of Ontario
- ♦ Canadian Bar Association
- ♦ Ontario Bar Association
- ♦ Canadian Muslim Lawyers Association
- ♦ South Asian Bar Association of Toronto

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- ◆ Group of Racialized Ontario Women Litigators (GROWL)

EDUCATION

- ◆ Admitted to the Ontario Bar (2021)
- ◆ J.D., Osgoode Hall Law School (2020)
- ◆ Anti-Discrimination Intensive Program, Osgoode Hall Law School (2018-2019)
- ◆ B.A. (Hons), Equity Studies and Women and Gender Studies, University of Toronto (2016)
- ◆ Indigenous Resurgence & Sustainable Development Research Program, Center for Engaged Learning Abroad, Belize (2015)

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