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## **EMPLOYMENT**

### **OCTOBER 2007 – PRESENT – Hoover Institution, Stanford University, Palo Alto**

From Sept. 1, 2018: Executive Editor, Hoover Institution.

Virginia Hobbs Carpenter Research Fellow in Journalism (Aug. 1, 2013-Aug. 31, 2018)

Editor, Defining Ideas [<http://www.hoover.org/publications/defining-ideas>]

### **FEBRUARY 2020 – PRESENT – The Wall Street Journal**

Contributing Writer Editorial Page. I am contracted to write for the WSJ editorial page and Books section. Links to my writings on request.

### **AUGUST 2013 – PRESENT – Department of Journalism, New York University, New York**

Adjunct Professor in Journalism. I teach a popular graduate course titled “WRITING FOR A WIDER AUDIENCE,” designed to equip Masters and doctoral students to make their specialist knowledge accessible to a broad readership.

### **MARCH 2015 – PRESENT – POLITICO Europe, Brussels, Belgium |**

**[www.politico.eu](http://www.politico.eu)**

Contributing Editor for Commentary/Opinion (I help commission & edit commentary.)

### **MARCH 2014 – PRESENT – OPEN MAGAZINE (New Delhi, India) |**

**[www.openthemagazine.com](http://www.openthemagazine.com)**

Contributing Writer

### **MAY 17, 2015 – MAY 2016 – Indian Express, New Delhi, India |**

**[www.indianexpress.com](http://www.indianexpress.com)**

Weekly op-ed columnist. My columns appeared on Sundays.

### **MAY 1, 2013 – March 2015 – The Daily Beast**

Writer-at-large. (I resigned in order to pursue a new relationship at POLITICO Europe.)

### **DECEMBER 23, 2012-APRIL 19, 2013 – Newsweek**

Editor (-in-chief) – Newsweek Global [The digital-only successor to Newsweek magazine]. (I resigned when I learned that Newsweek’s proprietor had plans to sell the title.)

**JANUARY 2011 – DECEMBER 23, 2012 – Newsweek**

Editor (-in-chief) – Newsweek International [Newsweek International ceased to exist after Dec. 23, 2012, with Newsweek’s decision to go all-digital.]

**DECEMBER 2009 – JANUARY 2011 – The Daily Beast ([www.thedailybeast.com](http://www.thedailybeast.com))**

Writer at Large and National Affairs Correspondent

**AUGUST 2008 – NOVEMBER 2009 – Forbes, New York**

Executive Editor (Opinions) [I resigned in order to move to the Daily Beast.]

**OCTOBER 2007 – FEBRUARY 2008 – The Financial Times, New York**

Contributing Editor

**OCTOBER 2007 – SEPTEMBER 2010 – Stern Business School, New York University, New York**

Clinical Professor of Business (I taught courses on Business Law; Business Ethics; & the Media in the Business World.) [I left Stern in order to return to full-time journalism.]

**MAY 2000 – SEPTEMBER 2007 – The Wall Street Journal**

Assistant Managing Editor – March-September 2007 [I was the first person in the modern history of The Wall Street Journal to move from the Editorial Page to the News Side.]

Editorial Features Editor (i.e., Op-Ed Editor) – October 2002- March 2007

Deputy Editorial Features Editor (i.e., Deputy Op-Ed Editor) – September 2000-October 2002

Chief Television and Media Critic – January 2002-October 2002 –(concurrent with Deputy Editorial Features Editor position)

Columnist, OpinionJournal.com – September 2000–October 2002

Senior Editorial Page Writer – May 2000-September 2000

**1999 -2000 – FREELANCE WRITER – New York**

Wrote numerous freelance stories and commentaries for The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times, The New York Times magazine, The Financial Times, The Times of London, New York Magazine, Business Traveler, CNN.com (for whom I wrote a monthly column on cricket), Beliefnet.com, and India Today.

**1993 – 1999 – The Times (of London)**

New York Bureau Chief, 1997-1999

Madrid Bureau Chief – 1996-1997

Leader (Editorial) Writer on foreign affairs, law, politics, and culture – 1993-1996

### **UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD**

Levine Memorial Lecturer in Law, Trinity College, Oxford – 1987-1994

Lecturer in Law, St. Catherine's College, Oxford – 1986-1987

## **OTHER AFFILIATIONS**

Distinguished Visiting Fellow, Hoover Institute, Stanford University – January 2004-  
October 2007

Media Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University – 2003

Adjunct Professor, Graduate School of Journalism, Columbia University – January 2004-  
April 2005

Adjunct Professor, Graduate School of Journalism, City University of New York –  
August 2012 – June 2013

Visiting Scholar, Department of Journalism, New York University – 2012-2013

Poynter Fellowship in Journalism, Yale University – April 2014

Member, Media Advisory Board – Americares [PRO BONO]

Member, the Century Association – New York

Honorary Member, Edison Cricket Club, Edison, NJ.

## **EDUCATION**

M.A. IN JURISPRUDENCE [i.e., Law]  
TRINITY COLLEGE, OXFORD 1981-1984

[High School: Dulwich College, London]

## **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Date of Birth: August 29, 1962 in Delhi, India

Nationality: British (Permanent U.S. Resident)

Marital Status: Married, with two step-daughters and a son, ages 28, 26 and 19, respectively

Languages: Fluent English, Spanish and Hindi. Optimistic spoken Portuguese, with a near-fluent reading level. An ability to read French, Italian and Catalan to a sophisticated newspaper/magazine level. Basic conversational Tamil and Punjabi.