

# JOINING IN JUSTICE



**Nabiha Syed** has recently been named the General Counsel at The Markup. Previously, she was the Vice President and Associate General Counsel at BuzzFeed, where she oversees litigation and select intellectual property, security, international, and cross-company strategic initiatives. Previously, Nabiha was BuzzFeed's first newsroom lawyer, where she directed bet-the-company litigation and other high-risk decisionmaking. She has been described as “one of the best emerging free speech lawyers” by Forbes magazine.

Before BuzzFeed, Nabiha was an associate at Levine Sullivan Koch & Schulz, a leading media law firm, and the First Amendment Fellow at The New York Times. She has worked on legal access issues at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; represented asylum-seekers in south Texas; counseled on whether to publish hacked materials; and spoken about misinformation at the inaugural Obama Foundation Summit. For her work, Nabiha was named a “40 Under 40 Rising Star” by the New York Law Journal in 2016, a finalist for the Outstanding Young Lawyer of the Year Award from the International Bar Association in 2017, and received an inaugural Reporter's Committee for the Freedom of the Press award in 2018.

Nabiha values her board service, through which she has counseled on mergers, advised on the transition from for-profit to non-profit, and helped guide membership growth of legacy organizations. She serves on the boards of the New York Civil Liberties Union, The Markup, MuckRock, Upturn, and the American Bar Association Committee on Communications and Media Law. Until 2018, Nabiha served as the Vice Chair of Board of Directors of the Student Press Law Center. She also lectures at Columbia, and is a non-resident fellow of both Stanford Law School and Yale Law School.