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ABOUT US

ADS Legal is boutique law firm of dynamic lawyers bringing together years of experience across diverse fields of law to provide high quality and accessible legal services in prompt response time.

The firm specializes in advising, structuring business transactions and representing clients in matters pertaining to Arbitration, Aviation, Energy and Environment Laws, Capital Markets And Securities Laws, Companies Law, Consumer Protection, Insolvency And Bankruptcy, Intellectual Property Laws, Banking, Infrastructure Projects, Town Planning, Real Estate, Hospitality And White-Collar Crimes before the Supreme Court of India, High Courts of Delhi and Nainital and Securities Appellate Tribunal (Mumbai), National Green Tribunal, NCLT (National Company Law Tribunal), NCLAT, Telecom Disputes Settlement Appellate Tribunal, and Appellate Tribunal for Electricity and District Courts.

SECTORAL EXPERTISE

- Aviation
- Banking and Finance
- Insolvency and Bankruptcy
- Cyber Laws
- Capital Markets and Securities Laws
- Consumer Durables and FMCG
- E-commerce and Retail
- Energy and Environment
- Healthcare
- Hospitality
- Infrastructure
- Intellectual Property Rights
- Maritime and Shipping
- Mines and Minerals
- Real Estate
- Succession
- Telecom and Broadcasting
- Warehousing and Logistics

PRACTICE AREAS

1. Litigation
 - Supreme Court of India
 - High Court & Districts Courts, Delhi
 - NCLT and NCLAT
 - National Green Tribunal
 - TDSAT
 - APTEL
2. Alternative Dispute Resolution
 - Mediation and Conciliation
 - Domestic and International Arbitration
 - Interim Reliefs
3. Securities Laws
 - Takeover Code
 - Insider Trading
 - Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices
4. Company Law
 - Restructuring
 - Dispute pertaining to Oppression and Mismanagement
 - Disputes pertaining to appointment and termination of Directors
 - Winding up
 - Insolvency and Bankruptcy
5. Real Estate
 - Sale and Purchase
 - Commercial Leases and Licences
 - Conveyancing
 - Property Management and Maintenance Contracts
 - Hotel Management Contracts
 - Mortgages
 - Investigations and Due Diligence

6.Environment and Energy

- Mining and Natural Resources
- Renewable Energy
- Distribution
- Town Planning and Development
- Forest Laws
- Litigation

7. Private Client Practice

- Succession and Estate Planning
- Creation of Wills and Trusts
- Matrimonial
- Dispute Resolution

8. Intellectual Property

- IP Advisory and Litigation
- Licensing, Assignments and Technology Transfer

9.Labour and Employment Law

- Employment Contracts
- Formulation of Employment / Service Guidelines and Complaint Redressal Committees

10. White Collar Crimes

TEAM

DHAVAL MEHROTRA

Dhaval is an Advocate on Record entitled to practice before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. Dhaval graduated from GLC Mumbai in 2009. Prior to founding ADS Legal, Dhaval was a partner at K Ashar & Co., New Delhi. Till 2016 Dhaval was practicing as a Counsel in the chambers of Senior Counsel Mr. Chander Uday Singh.

Dhaval has experience in handling complex and high impact litigation. He specialises in dispute resolution and civil litigation particularly focusing on arbitration, company laws, securities and capital market laws, real estate, environment laws and cases involving trans-border jurisdiction pertaining to execution of foreign decrees, awards and letters of request.

NOTABLE CASES:

- Securities Law – Securities and Exchange Board of India vs. RajkumarNagpal; Civil Appeal No. 5247 of 2022 – SEBI (Debenture Trustee) Regulations, 1993 – SEBI Circular is applicable to debenture holders – SEBI Circular is retroactive in nature.
- Securities Law – Kavi Arora vs. Securities and Exchange Board of India ; S.L.P No. 15149 fo 2021 - SEBI (Procedure for Holding Inquiry and Imposing Penalties by Adjudicating Officer) 1995– Noticee is not entitled to opinion formed under Rule 3 by Adjudicating Officer or of documents not relied upon by SEBI

- Securities Law – Balram Garg & Ors vs. Securities and Exchange Board of India; Civil Appeal No. 7054 of 2021 – SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2013 - Presumption of Communication of Unpublished Price Sensitive Information cannot be solely based on circumstantial evidence
- Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016 - Committee of Creditors of Essar Steel Ltd. vs. Arcellor Mittal India Ltd. & Ors (2020) 8 SCC 531 – Constitutionality of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Act, 2019 – Rights of Operational Creditors vis a vis Financial Creditors.
- Execution of foreign decree cum judgment against Indian entity (Execution off oreign decree cum judgment against Indian entity).
- Banking & Finance – Derivatives - Kotak Mahindra Bank vs. Hindustan National Glass Industries Ltd. And Ors, (2013) 7 SCC 369 - Non-payment of dues pertaining to derivative transaction, though non-funded, would expose the defaulter being classified as wilful defaulter.
- Contract Workmen - Balwant Rai Saluja vs Air India Ltd., (2014) 9 SCC 407 – Employees in statutory canteen are not employees of the Principal Employer–Test Laid Down.

NISHTHA KUMAR

Nishtha is a qualified Advocate-on-Record entitled to practice before the Supreme Court of India, with a Post-Qualification Experience of over 12 years. Nishtha has worked under the tutelage of Ms. Indu Malhotra, Senior Advocate (now a Retired Hon'ble Judge of the Supreme Court of India), as well as in a tier 1 law firm. Nishtha specialises in the Regulatory and Policy sector, with over 7 years of experience in the Electricity and Aviation industry. Nishtha has advised and represented clients on matters pertaining to tariff, inter-licensee or inter-party commercial-contractual disputes, as well as claims of Force Majeure and Change in Law.

NOTABLE CASES:

- Airport Tariff – Judgment dated 11.07.2022 in Civil Appeal Nos.8378 of 2019 and batch passed by Supreme Court, Delhi International Airport Limited vs. AERA & Ors. and batch: Appeals challenging Aeronautical Tariff Order for Delhi & Mumbai Airports. [Represented Airlines]
- Transmission Charges – Judgment dated 27.03.2018 in Appeal No. 390 of 2017, PSPCL vs. Patran TCL & Ors.: Contractual dispute regarding liability to make payments. [Represented Respondent / Transmission Company]

- Airline Charges – Judgment dated 16.08.2017 in Writ Petition No. 5756 of 2016 Federation of India Airlines & Ors. vs. Union of India – Re. Challenge to DGCA Circular regulating market-driven services offered by airlines. (Delhi High Court) [Represented Petitioner / Airlines]
- Airline Charges – Judgment dated 02.09.2016 in Writ Petition (L) No. 1466 of 2016 – Federation of India Airlines & Ors. vs. Airport Authority of India & Ors.: Challenging levy on in-flight catering services. (Bombay High Court) [Represented Petitioner / Airlines]
- Curative Petition – National Commission for Women vs Bhaskar Lal Sharma – (2014) 4 SCC 252: Second Curative Petition to be allowed in Indian legal history.
- Land Acquisition – Pune Municipal Corporation vs Harakchand Misirimal Solanki – (2014) 3 SCC 183: Re. Lapsing of land acquisition proceedings under the 2013 Act.
- Cheque bouncing – A.C. Narayanan vs. State of Maharashtra– (2014) 11 SCC 790: Re. Maintainability of Complaints under Section 138 of Negotiable Instruments Act 1881.

AMAN VARMA

Aman is a qualified Advocate on Record entitled to practice before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, with more than fourteen years of experience at the bar. Previously Aman was a partner at Vidhii Partners, Delhi. He has appeared in various high profile matters in the Supreme Court of India and has experience in dealing with both civil and criminal litigation. In the course of his professional career, he has represented various corporate entities and individuals in a wide range of matters. He has diverse experience in advising various clients and is also empanelled with various Government Authorities as well as corporates. In the course of his practice, he has worked in a wide array of matters, including matters pertaining to interpretation of the Constitution, Arbitration, Contract, Consumer Protection, Criminal, Labour and Employment, Insolvency

and Bankruptcy Code, and various other fields of law pertaining to both civil and criminal law. He has been appearing on a regular basis in various other courts and foras apart from the Hon'ble Supreme Court, including the Hon'ble Delhi High Court, PMLA Authorities, National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, National Company Law Tribunal, Appellate Tribunal For Electricity, National Green Tribunal, Trial Courts, and other legal fora including Alternative Dispute Resolution Forums. He advises clients of various areas more particularly areas pertaining to Joint Ventures/ Collaborations, Franchisee Franchisor relationships, OEM, contracts, Principal-Agent Contracts, confidentiality and non-compete related issues as also drafting and vetting of agreements, forms, disclaimers, privacy terms etc.

SUPPORT TEAM

The Firm is supported by highly competent associate advocates recruited from top law colleges. The paralegals, clerks and stenographers are skilled in digital document management enabling the advocates respond to clients promptly and with agility and adept in electronic filing systems being adopted by Courts and Tribunals across the country to deliver top notch legal service.

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