## **AQUEEN ANU EKKA**

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#### **EDUCATION**

## • Symbiosis Law School, Pune BBA LLB (Hons)

[2017-2022]

• Aggregate of 10 semesters – 6.89 CGPA

## Our Lady Queen of the Missions School, Kolkata.

[2015-2017]

- Higher Senior Secondary (Class XII); affiliated to the ISC Board.
- Percentage: 82%

### Our Lady Queen of the Missions School, Kolkata.

[2015]

- Senior Secondary (Class X); affiliated to the ICSE Board.
- Percentage: 82%

#### INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

### • Dodd & Co, New Delhi

[November 2022]

- Drafted reply to provisional refusal application under Section 9(1) (a) of the Trademark Act, 1999 for a UK based Company.
- Conducted public & common law trademark search for three gaming applications.
- Drafted affidavit of evidence in support of application for a luxury brand dealing in perfumes.
- Drafted user affidavits for online dating website and gaming application.

## • Fox Mandal & Associates, Bangalore. (IP Dep.)

[October 2022]

- Researched on (a) position of intermediary liability by analysing the case *Flipkart v State of Delhi NCT*. [2022 SCC Online Del 2439] (b) Handling IP Assets in an Insolvency Proceedings, (c) Web 3.0-Decentralization of Business Models, (d) synonyms in rival trademarks leading to trademark infringement through the case *Vanita Gupta v Amit Arora*. [CS(COMM) 395/2022]
- Drafted evidence in support of application under for UK based multimedia company.
- Drafted RTI application for Design Registration.
- Prepared a research article and presented on Disney losing its Copyright Registration on 'Steamboat era Mickey' in 2024 and analysed legal implications for third parties on derivatives of the original character on their copyrighted works.

### Quasar Legal, Bangalore

[September – October 2022]

- Drafted legal opinion in copyright infringement claim by a foreign brand for 'lamp design.'
- Contributed to the Copyright and Media and Entertainment Newsletter for August-September 2022 featured in the firm's website.
- Prepared extensive research article and prepared presentation on the Issue of territoriality: Nexus between Copyright and IT Act through the lens of *Neetu Singh v Telegram FZ LLC* 2022 LiveLaw (Del) 822.

# • Lex Praxis, New Delhi (IP Dep.)

[May- June 2022]

- Drafted five replies to cease and desist notice.
- Drafted three user affidavits, replies to counter statements, replies to examination report by Copyright Office, replies to examination report under Section 9 and 11 of Trademarks Act, 1999. Drafted two evidence in support of application under Rule 46 of Trademark Rules, 2017.
- Drafted legal opinion for a USA based producers concerned about piracy of their movies in India.

### • Stratjuris Law Partners, Pune, Maharashtra

[October- November 2021]

- Drafted seven user affidavits.
- Drafted four replies to examination report, notice of opposition of trademark registration, counter statements, affidavit of evidence in support of opposition, evidence in support of application.
- Conducted trademark classification & search reports of start-up businesses. Prepared letters to the Trade Mark Registry, replied to client query mails for national and international clients.

## • IPR Studio, Pune, Maharashtra

[February- April, 2021]

- Assisted in first examination report (FER) analysis, on prior invention of US Patent with claimed invention both dealing with the subject matter of 'digital tickets.'
- Analysed and complied patent claims disclosing 'Addition of sensor data' by browsing through Derwent Innovation database.

## • Indigo Law Group, New Delhi

[May- June, 2019]

• Prepared three case briefs on trademark infringement cases. Drafted two replies to Examination reports under Section 9 and 11 of the Trademarks Act, 1999. Assisted in research under Section 7 and 8 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996.

#### **COURSES & CERTIFICATIONS**

- Pursuing **Diploma Course in IPR and Media and Entertainment Laws'** by **LawSikho**. [Feb 2021-2022]
  - Learnt about product placement related work, character merchandising and personality exploitation rights. Drafted customized copyright clauses in various contracts optimise monetization of intellectual property.
  - Worked on exercises on celebrity advertising and endorsement. Drafted licensing and assignment clauses. Worked on commercial clauses and royalties in transaction with music labels. Drafted hire agreements to engage music or movie/ TV shows transcripts.
- Certificate Course on General Course on Intellectual Property by WIPO- 2021.
- Certificate Course in Fashion Law and IPR by Dr. Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University, Lucknow- 2020.

#### PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH

- Aqueen Ekka and Priyanka Jena, <u>"Susceptibility of indigenous communities and the development of expression of folklore"</u>, International Journal of Business Law Studies. (August 2021)
- Presented Research Paper at National Seminar on "Rights of Victims in Criminal Justice System" at Asian Law College, Noida. (2018)

#### Co- Curricular Activities

- Participated in Online Trademark Opposition Drafting competition organised by The IP Press. (2020)
- Assisted Aftercare Team and Community Engagement Team of NGO International Justice Mission, Kolkata for educating children of their rights and interacted with rescued victims. (2018)