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BA.LLB (Hons.) Graduate 2023 | Rajiv Gandhi  
National University of Law, Punjab  
**Interests:** Intellectual Property Rights &  
Technology Law.

## ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION

- Scored 8.81 CGPA in B.A LL.B. (Hons.) at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab.
- Completed Class 12th (Science) in 2018 from Iqbal Memorial Senior Secondary Institute J&K with 91.6%.
- Completed Class 10th in 2016 from Boys High School Qazigund J&K with 9.4 CGPA.

## IPR & TECH LAW INTERNSHIPS

### I. ALG India Law Offices | New Delhi | July 2022 [Intellectual Property Rights]

- Drafted replies to Examination Reports objected u/s 11 Trademarks Act claiming prior use;
- Researched on Companies (Name Availability) Rules, 2011 & Rule 8A(1)(b) of Companies (Incorporation) Fifth Amendment Rules, 2019.
- Researched on Domain Name speculation, bad faith registrations, and cybersquatting;
- Researched on Google Ads Program & trademark infringement;
- Researched on copyrights in underlying works in cinematographic films & sound recordings;
- Researched on copyright protection of software programmes.
- Researched on infringement of Movie titles;
- Worked on TM registration of foreign MSMEs & Filed Trademark Applications for Startups;

### II. Fidus Law | Noida | June 2022 [Intellectual Property Rights]

- Drafted legal notices to be sent to 3 fantasy sports companies for unauthorised use of content and League Team trademarks;
- Drafted a reply to the Examination Report claiming objection u/s 11 Trademarks Act;
- Drafted Rejoinder to be sent to a big pharma company for trademark infringement;
- Researched on non-use of trademarks & trademark cancellation;
- Prepared a case list relating to misuse of trademarks;
- Did trademark & product research on brands;
- Worked on International Trademark Association's 'Unreal Campaign' on counterfeit goods.

### III. Scriboard Advocates & Legal Consultants | Jan. 2021| Delhi || IPR |

- Researched on violation of Direct Selling Guidelines, Trademark Rights-Passing off, Misrepresentation and Dilution.
- Prepared case briefs on Amway India Enterprises Pvt. Ltd. v.1Mg Technologies Pvt. Ltd. & Anr.

[Delhi HC]; Saregama Ltd. v Eros Digital; Crocs v. Liberty Shoes; Sayer v. Moore; etc.

- Prepared an analytical primer on Issues Surrounding India's Data Brokerage Ecosystem;
- Prepared an analytical piece on Liberalisation of Geospatial Data Regime in India;

### IV. Khurana & Khurana Attorneys | Feb 2022 | Intellectual Property Rights |

- Assisted in IP Due Diligence of 4 Companies;
- Researched on the lacunae in non-obviousness test as applied to AI-Based inventions;
- Researched on Algorithm and Software Protection under Copyrights & Trade Secrets;
- Devised IP strategies for startups;
- Researched on NFT's and Digital Currency Taxation.

### V. Luthra & Luthra Law offices | Oct. 2022 | New Delhi [IPR & Litigation]

- Researched on Safe Harbour Protection of Intermediaries vis-a-vis Criminal liability;
- Worked on Advisory opinion in relation to compliance with emergency all encompassing blocking orders under IT Act 2000 & Blocking Rules 2009;
- Worked on Dynamic Pricing & Consumer Protection with respect to Ola & Uber auto-hailing services;
- Researched on Liability of Internet Marketplaces in case of Product Discrepancy.
- Researched on the validity of appointment of an Arbitrator by an ineligible Arbitrator.
- Researched on Reverse Charge Mechanism under GST Regime;
- Researched on Advisories & regulatory landscape in Online Gambling & Gaming.

### VI. Indus Law | Nov. 2022 | Mumbai [Technology Media & Telecommunication]

- Worked on a Compliance Report on Regulatory Requirements for Payment Service providers;

- Worked on a Compliance Report on Data Protection requirements for Payment Service Providers;
- Researched on Age Verification & Location Detection requirements for gaming service providers;
- Worked on regulatory policies in Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming & Comics (AVGC);
- Researched on 2018 RBI Ban on Banking Operations related to Crypto transactions;
- Researched on operation of ETPs vis-a-vis RBI Electronic Trading Platform Directions 2018 & FEMA
- Drafted a primer on International Best Practices in Online gaming regulation;
- Worked on PA/PG Guidelines, RBI KYC Master Direction & Market Prepaid Instrument Guidelines;

**IX. Thiru & Thiru Attorneys | Bangalore | November 2021 | IPR |**

- Worked on a 'Restraint of Trade' case before the Illinois court;
- Researched on legality of non-compete clauses in United States;
- Drafted a written statement in a copyright infringement case;
- Drafted para-wise reply to the averments made in a plaint alleging trademark infringement;

**X. Metacept IP | Sept. 2020 |**

- Prepared a research piece on India's National Strategy on Blockchain;
- Prepared an analytical piece on Liberalisation of Geospatial Data Regime in India;

- Researched on FSSAI Regulations on Packaging & Labelling of Food Products;
- Prepared a short piece on anti-trust issues in Reliance-Facebook deal.

**IX. Amicus Services | New Delhi | Feb 2023 [Fintech & Transactions]**

- Drafted a Due Diligence Report of a SaaS based global service provider;
- Researched on automatic operation of an entity as NBFC and consequences of non-registration;
- Prepared primers on the following SEBI Consultation Papers:

- Regulatory Framework for REITs and InvITs to issue Depository Receipts;
- Direct plan for schemes of AIFs and trail model for distribution commission in AIFs;
- Dematerialisation of units of AIFs;

**X. HSA Advocates | Jan 2023 | New Delhi | Compliance |**

- Researched on labour, environment and security laws;
- Drafted Compliance Analysis Reports on:
  - Payment of Wages Act; Minimum Wages Act;
  - Private Security Agencies Regulation Act 2005;
  - Air Pollution Act 1981; Water Pollution Act 1974
  - Environment Protection Act 1986; & so on.

**- OTHER INTERNSHIPS**

- **Intern** | Chambers of Adv. Ratan K. Singh | Jan 2022 [Arbitration]
- **Intern** | Advocate General Office Punjab | Jan 2020 [Disputes]

**RESEARCH & POLICY INTERNSHIPS**

**• The Dialogue | Tech Policy Think Tank | June-August 2022**

- Prepared a white paper on ecosystem readiness for RBI's Card on File Tokenisation;
- Prepared a policy paper on Principle-based Framework to Enable Free Flow of Data;
- Worked on a research project on cross-border data localisation requirements of Asia, EU, & US
- Prepared an analytical primer on Open Network Digital Commerce initiative of Govt. of India;
- Prepared a policy paper on legal compliances and legality of fantasy sports, online gaming and gambling in India;
- Prepared a report on Regulatory Policies in Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming & Comics (AVGC) in India and abroad;

**• Research Intern | Centre for Legal Research Foreign & Public Policy | July 2020**

- Prepared a research project on critical analysis of UN vis-a-vis operation of Peacekeeping Forces;
- Prepared a Research Project on Indian Political System & International Relations;

**• Policy Intern | National Human Rights Commission India | Aug 2020**

- Prepared and presented a research project on Food Distribution System in India [First prize]

**- RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS**

- **Research Assistant to Dr. Rajesh Sharma** [Director Indian Institute of Arbitration & Mediation] 2020-21

- Worked on a research project titled '*Arbitrability of IP Disputes*'

- **Research Assistant to Mr. Vagish Kumar** | Managing Partner at Capstone Legal | 2020-2021
- Worked on a research project titled ‘*Protecting Consumers in the 21st Century*’
- **Research Assistant to Mr. Ayush Tripathi** | Senior Researcher ‘The Dialogue’ Think Tank | 2022-23 | Worked on a project titled ‘*Interplay between E-commerce platforms & MSMEs*’
- **RESEARCH CENTRES & LAW JOURNALS**
- **Senior Researcher** | Centre for Innovation & Intellectual Property RGNUL | 2021-2022
- **Senior Researcher** | Centre for Constitutional Law & Governance RGNUL | 2019-2021
- **Convenor & Editor in Chief** | Centre For Enviro-Legal Studies RGNUL | 2019-2023
- **Associate Editor** | South Asian Journal of International Law | 2020-2021
- **Editorial Board Member** | Eurasian Journal of International & Transnational Law | 2021-Present

## PUBLICATIONS

### - Blogs/Articles

- ALGORITHMS & INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY — THE COMPLEXITY IN PROTECTION |  
**Published by *Mondaq And Institute Of Intellectual Property Research & Development (IIPRD)***
- METAVERSE IS A VIRTUAL REALITY WORLD | IP RIGHTS PROTECTION IN THE METAVERSE |  
**Published by *IPLink Asia, Mondaq, IP Matters;***
- REVISITING THE CONCEPT OF CONSIDERATION VIS-A-VIS SMART CONTRACTS |  
**Published by *Mondaq And Institute Of Intellectual Property Research & Development;***
- DIGITAL CURRENCY TAXATION PROPOSALS – FEATURES AND WAY FORWARD |  
**Published by *Mondaq And Institute Of Intellectual Property Research & Development (IIPRD)***
- EMERGENCY ARBITRATION IN INDIA — ANALYSIS OF FUTURE RETAIL LTD. v AMAZON.COM INVESTMENT HOLDINGS LLC & ORS. |  
**Published by *South Asian Journal of International Law* | e-ISSN: 2582-8398**
- MEDICAL RESEARCH LAW: INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS VERSUS COLLECTIVE GOOD. WHEN IS THE NEED FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH JUSTIFIED? |  
**Published by *All India Legal Forum* | e-ISSN: 2581-6705**
- ADJACENCY IN AGRICULTURAL POLICY AND CLIMATE CHANGE POLICY  
**Published by *Environmental Law Blog NLU Punjab;***
- INDIA’S NEW ENVIRONMENT POLICY: A LIBERTARIAN’S DREAM BUT A NIGHTMARE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT | **Published by *Lexpert Assist;***

### - Research Papers

- WHITE PAPER ON RBI’S CARD ON FILE TOKENISATION GUIDELINES: ASSESSING THE PREPAREDNESS OF THE PAYMENTS ECOSYSTEM | **Published by *Deepstrat & Dialogue***
- LAW & MORALITY CONUNDRUM | PAPER CONTRIBUTED TO HANDBOOK ON JURISPRUDENCE | **Published by ‘*The Legit Originals*’ ISBN:[978-81-947926-3-5]**
- RESEARCH PAPER ON CONSTITUTIONAL LEGITIMACY OF ARTICLE 370 ABROGATION— **Published by *Indian National Law Review Volume II Issue II* | TLL**

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Winner** | 6th Symbiosis International Criminal Trial Advocacy Competition 2021
- **Best Memorials** | 6th Symbiosis International Criminal Trial Advocacy Competition 2021
- **Among Top 10 Best Teams** | 2nd Bennett National Moot Court Competition 2019
- **Best Prize** for Book Review & Project Presentation at National Human Rights Commission India

## CERTIFICATE COURSES

- **Specialisation Course** on ‘Intellectual Property Law’ | University of Pennsylvania, USA;
- **Specialisation Course** on ‘IPR in the Digital Age’ | St. Petersburg State University USA;
- **Course** on UK Commercial Law | Bright Network London;
- **Course** on Blockchain & GDPR LawSkills;