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# **ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS**

JINDAL GLOBAL LAW SCHOOL, Sonipat, NCR of Delhi

B.A., LL.B (Hons.) 6.6/8 August 2022

ARMY PUBLIC SCHOOL, Kolkata, West Bengal

 CBSE (Class XII)
 92.75%
 April 2017

 CBSE (Class X)
 8.4/10
 June 2015

# **POST QUALIFICATION EXPERIENCE**

#### Chadha & Chadha Law Firm, Gurgaon

AUGUST, 2022 – Present

- Drafted Cease and Desist Notices for trade mark infringement, passing off, violation of non-compete clauses and non-disclosure agreements.
- Drafted Note of Arguments/Written Submissions of ongoing cases in the Trade Mark Registry/High Court.
- Drafted various other court documents such as written statement, rejoinders, condonation of delay, interlocutory petitions etc.
- Prepared advisory opinions on various aspects of Intellectual Property such as prior use, overall dissimilarity in marks, jurisdiction, monopoly of marks, cause of action, dishonest adoption of marks, false user claim, arguments on estoppel, international adoption of marks and trans-border reputation, trade mark rights within a specific class, protection of trade names, uncommented use of marks by third parties, appeals to order of the Registrar, blocking the register on non-use, jurisdiction, similarity of marks, associated and series trade marks, appeal to orders of the Registrar, counterfeiting, damages, procedure for customs recordal and seizure of goods, right to repair, well-known trade marks etc.
- Advised on Employer-Employee rights and relationship under Patent Law.
- Drafted Cordial Letters, Settlement Agreements, further letters, reply to legal notices and others.
- Prepared a brief note on Data Protection laws in relation to Mobile Application which collect sensitive data.
- Prepared advisory note on restrictions placed on Chinese Companies entry into Indian market.
- Conducted trade mark investigations for various clients and prepared investigation reports. Additionally
  involved in client interaction by way of drafting e-mails regarding preliminary investigations, grounds
  raised in the Notice of Opposition/Counter Statement. Grounds of defences available, analysis of
  evidence filed and chances of success, among other things.
- Research on enforcement of foreign arbitral awards in India and drafting a Rejoinder for the same in an agreement enforcement matter.
- Prepared an advisory opinion on the regulation of energy drinks and their manufacture, distribution, sale, import, export etc.
- Provided assistance in drafting and reviewing contracts, briefing senior counsel and attended court hearings.
- Published articles on various <u>IP</u> and <u>non-IP</u> topics for the firms website. (<u>Link</u>)

### RELEVANT INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

# JUSIP LAW FIRM, CHANDIGARH

DECEMBER, 2021; 4 WEEKS

- Assisted the firm in conceptualizing a Webinar for Start-ups. Research work included IPR laws, Due Diligence, Employment and HR Laws.
- Prepared advisory opinion on Mandatory Compliances for Private Companies.
- Helped Mrs. Jasneet Kaur in research on Fashion Patterns and Trademark Trends over the past decade, and prepared a comprehensive research note on the same.
- Drafted contracts and provided assistance on the monthly newsletter.
- Extensive research on Music Streaming and Licensing in India.

Research on assignment and licensing of copyrights and trade marks.

### JUSIP LAW FIRM, CHANDIGARH

FEBRUARY, 2021; 4 WEEKS

- Followed the Legal updates in the areas on Intellectual Property Rights, Alternate Dispute Resolution, Competition Law, Banking and Insolvency and Commercial Laws.
- Learned how to draft legal contracts under the mentor's supervision, and assisted on the Monthly Newsletter.
- Provided assistance in reviewing and editing various contracts.
- Research on Section 17 of the Copyright Act and the concept of "first owner" of a copyright.
- Drafted a Concept Note on the Legal Regime of Music Royalties in India.
- Research on music royalties and their distribution in India.

#### **OTHER INTERNSHIPS**

- CyberEQ, Australia (Remote) July 2021.
- Burgeon Law Firm, Delhi June 2021.
- Sripat & Associates December, 2019.
- Armed Forces Tribunal, Regional Bench, Kolkata July 2019.
- Chambers of Advocate Uttam Kumar Mandal, Calcutta High Court December 2018.
- National Environment and Wildlife Society, Kolkata June, 2018.
- Chambers of Advocate Mainak Bose, Calcutta High Court January, 2018

### **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

- Inducted Member of Moot Court Society, Jindal Global Law School.
- Participation in 10<sup>th</sup> National Checkmate Moot Court Competition.
- Content Writer Jindal Forum for Space Law.
- NBA Journalist EssentiallySports [Link]

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Analyzing the judicial interpretation of Section 493 and Section 498 of Indian Penal Code [Link]
- Pre-emption and Waqf: Through the eyes of Ayn Rand and her theory of Objectivism [Link]
- Basic Structure Doctrine Should it be Codified? [Link]
- Admissibility of evidence obtained through illegal search and seizure [Link]
- Foreign Arbitral Awards and their enforcement in India [Link]
- The 2011 Military Intervention in Libya: its Legality and Legitimacy [Link]

#### **CERTIFIED ONLINE COURSES**

- Contract Law: From Trust to Promise to a Contract, Harvard Law School.
- Intellectual Property Law and Policy: Part 1, University of Pennsylvania.
- Intellectual Property Law and Policy: Part 2, University of Pennsylvania.
- Copyright Law in the Music Business, Berklee College of Music.

# **RELEVANT ELECTIVES**

- Music & Copyright.
- Media and Entertainment Law.
- Law of Outer Space.
- International law on Telecommunications, Remote Sensing and Broadcasting.
- Law and practice in the United Nations
- Contract Drafting, Review and Negotiation.
- Alternate Dispute Resolution Techniques in India.
- Sport Law and Governance.