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EDUCATION

B.A. LLB [Hons.] from Damodaram Sanjivayya National Law University, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh | 2019- 2024

- Grade: 8.97/10 CGPA.

Board of Intermediate [BIE] from Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh | 2017- 2019

- Grade: 9.25/10 CGPA in [Mathematics, Economics, and Commerce].

Central Board of Secondary Education [CBSE] from Atkinson Senior Secondary School, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh | 2005- 2017

- Grade: 10/10 CGPA and received the Secondary School Certificate and Scholar recognition for outstanding results in CBSE Board exams. House Captain, Scared Hearts (Class 10th).

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE NAMAVARAPU RAJESHWAR RAO, HIGH COURT OF TELANGANA | JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP

17TH OCTOBER, 2024 – PRESENT

- Assisted in judgement writing, including election petitions, cases related to appeals against industrial awards, jurisdictional issues in land disputes in agency areas, Sports Quota policies in Telangana, disproportionate punishment in service matters, and powers under Section 101 of the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014. Prepared case briefs of daily matters and attend the court proceedings.
- Research under provisions of the Constitution of India, 1950, Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, Representation of People's Act, 1951, Civil Procedure Code, 1908, Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, Indian Contract Act, 1872, Specific Relief Act, 1963, Family Courts Act, 1984, Hindu Marriage Act, 1955, and Special Marriage Act, 1954.

G&W LEGAL, DELHI NCR | ASSOCIATE – IP PROSECUTION

15TH MAY, 2024 – 15TH OCTOBER, 2024

- Drafted and reviewed over 35+ trademark prosecution documents including responses to office actions, oppositions, rectifications, cancellations, counterstatement replies, affidavits and assignment deeds. Handled enforcement-related documentation such as cease and desist notices, company name infringements, reservation of rights letters, settlement proposals, letter of consents with undertakings. Coordinated with international partner law firms on Madrid Protocol filings and global trademark enforcement strategy by managing neighboring client trademark portfolios.
- Filed various forms (TM-A, TM-O, TM-M, TM-R etc..) including international trademark applications via the Madrid Protocol, patent filings, and priority claim applications. Managed renewals and change of agent requests.
- Conducted 45+ trademark search reports and opinions using phonetic, device mark (Vienna Code), and word mark parameters, advised clients on registrability and risk clearance. Responded to client queries and attended open houses, producing 10 + hearing reports and enforcement summaries.
- Researched the U.S. Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA) to support copyright infringement takedown actions, and investigated the registrability and legal treatment of motion marks and non-conventional trademarks in India.

K&S PARTNERS, HYDERABAD | INTERN - (IP TEAM)

DECEMBER, 2023

- Drafted search opinions as to whether the mark would attract any objections or not and reviewed conflicting marks of clients.
- Drafted replies to examination reports, including provisional refusals and cease-and-desist letters for unlawful adoption and use of trademarks/names.
- Conducted research on infringement rights of an internationally recognised client with an unregistered trademark and non-user rights, as well as patent-related matters such as the SEP litigation landscape in India and quantum computing.
- Compiled search reports in various classes and provided an opinion on potential objections to the mark.

DSK LEGAL, NEW DELHI | INTERN - (IP TEAM)

MAY, 2023

- Researched on data sharing laws in India, including the Personal Data Protection Bill, 2019, legality of retrospective assignment, IP rights in public arts and the initiation of proceedings before the MSME.
- Reviewed the threat marks for the client's trademarks.
- Drafted an agency contract authorising the store owner to act as an agent for the brand, as well as a franchise agreement granting exclusive rights.

ALG- INDIA LAW OFFICES LLP, NEW DELHI | INTERN - (IP TEAM)

MAY, 2022

- Drafted replies to the examination reports and case briefs.
- Assisted with clearance searches for various word and device marks.
- Ascertained the relevant classes of goods and services for proposed applications.
- Researched Condonation of Delay and Section 47 of the Trade Marks Act, 1999.

- Submitted a comment piece titled '*Will the Establishment of IP Divisions in High Courts Expedite the Resolution of IP Disputes?*'
- Conducted a presentation on '*Whether Copyright Registration is a Prerequisite to Claim Relief against an Infringer?*'

ALTACIT GLOBAL, HYDERABAD | INTERN - (IP TEAM)

16th DECEMBER, 2021 TO 17th JANUARY, 2022

- Researched the covid-19 Patent Waiver Conundrum and submitted a report.
- Drafted the replies to the examination reports and search opinions for prospective trademarks.

COURSES

- Completed the Copyright Law course offered by the University of Pennsylvania on Coursera.
- Completed Certificate General Course on Intellectual Property by WIPO.
- Completed Ashurst's IP and Competition Law Programme, including a memo on IP rights in joint ventures.

PUBLICATIONS

- A paper titled, "*Copyright Issues Pertaining to Digital Art- AI Generated Pictures*", The IP Law Vol. I Issue III, Feb 2024, ISSN: 2583-7702, ([here](#)).
- A paper titled, "*Presumed Culprits or Protected Traders? Decoding SEBI's 2023 Draft Regulations on Unexplained Suspicious Trading Activities: A Dive into Efficacy and Challenges*", Volume XVIII of NUALS Law Journal, January 2024, ([here](#)).
- An article, "*Separation through Judicial Activism and the Significance of the Allahabad High Court Order Imposing Lockdown*", Manupatra, May 2021, ([here](#)).
- A paper titled, "*Mangala Waman Karandikar v. Prakash Damodar Ranade - The Case Which Reaffirmed Parole Evidence Rule*", IJLLR, Feb 2022, ([here](#)).
- A blog post titled, "*No means No: Protection against Sexual Exploitation against women- Judicial approach*", The Law Gurukul, Feb 20th, 2022, ([here](#)).
- A blog post titled, "*Daughter's Right to Property: Notional Partition*", The Law Gurukul, Feb 20th, 2022, ([here](#)).

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Secured the *Runner-Up* position in the Kerala Law Academy Third National Trial Advocacy Competition (2022) in Thiruvananthapuram, where I actively participated as a speaker.
- Oralist, 4th S.K. Misra Memorial International Mediation and Negotiation Competition (2023), Greater Noida [10th -12th March].
- Oralist, 1st Surana & Surana and Army Institute of Law National Family Law Moot Competition (2020), Punjab.
- Finalists in Intra Mediation Competition, 2022-23.
- Finalists in 7th Novice Moot Court Competition, by DSNLU, 2019.

POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY AND VOLUNTEERING ACTIVITIES

- Convener and Founding Member of Student Newsletter Committee (SNL), DSNLU [2021- 2024]
 - *Founding Member of a bi-monthly newsletter, growing its readership by 60% within a year, and organised events on a large scale as a convener to promote dialogue in the university.*
- Core Member of Centre of Alternative Dispute Settlement, DSNLU [2022- 2024].
- Member of Recruitment Co-ordination Committee, DSNLU [2021].
- Member, Indian National Bar Association, [2020- Present].
- Volunteer of National Service Scheme (NSS), [2019- 2024].
 - *Engaged in community service initiatives, including tree planting and beach clean-ups to reduce plastic waste and promote a sustainable environment.*
- Volunteer for Increasing Diversity by Increasing Access, organised by IDIA, [2021- 2024].
 - *Taught legal reasoning to underprivileged and marginalised children to prepare for the Common Law Admission Test and also sensitised students from government schools and rural areas.*
- Volunteer, MOKSHA (NGO), [2019- 2024] and SMILE Foundation (NGO).
 - *Led a live welfare project educating teenage youth and school dropouts in basic English and computers, including organising awareness campaigns in slums to recruit students and conducting classes on spoken and grammatical English and Microsoft essentials for improved employability.*

INTERESTS AND SKILLS

Mike Legal | Client's IP Portfolio Management | Trademark Prosecution | Legal Research | Legal Drafting | Manupatra | SCC Online | Microsoft Office Suite | Graphic Designing | Carnatic Music Singing | Dancing | Journaling | Badminton