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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Advocate, High Court of Bombay

2019 - Present

Independent Practice

KEY ROLES

- Appeared and filed various Petitions before the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal, Mumbai under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code and have submitted resolution plans on behalf of creditors. Defended numerous Corporate Debtors from insolvency proceedings.
- Appeared and filed numerous complaints under the Negotiable Instruments Act before various Magistrates in Mumbai.
- Advised various Clients on real estate and commercial disputes. Represented clients before recovery agents and negotiated deals with various banks and recovery agents.
- Assisted and advised Clients on pending Complaints before the Maharashtra Real Estate Regulatory Authority;
- Assisted Clients in setting up of a medical tourism company in India.
- Assisted clients in filing complaints before the Cyber Cell, Mumbai Police under the Information Technology Act and in relation to the modesty of a woman before various Police Station;
- Have assisted clients in filing complaints under POSCO before the relevant authorities;

Senior Associate

2014 - 2019

M/s Solomon & Co., Advocates and Solicitors, Mumbai

KEY ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Appeared before numerous Arbitral Tribunals and argued on various points of law before the Learned Arbitrators.
- Appeared before various Courts, Tribunals, Government Authorities and the **Maharashtra Real Estate Regulatory Authority** in Property related Litigations in relation to the **Rent Control Act**, tenancy laws, partition and RERA provisions.
- Filed and argued numerous Bail Applications, Anticipatory Bail Applications, Discharge Applications and Quashing Petitions before various courts including Magistrate Court, Sessions Courts and the Hon'ble High Court of Bombay.
- Filed various Complaints and defended clients under Complaints filed under the **Negotiable Instruments Act**. Attended various mediations arising from the Complaints under the Negotiable Instruments Act.
- Assisted Seniors and attended various matters in Bombay and Delhi arising out of the **Domestic Violence Act**.
- Conducted academic research and attended hearings with regards to **Human Rights** and Sexual Harassment at work and in connection with **diplomatic immunity**.
- Represented various clients in relation to Criminal proceedings involving transfer/pledging of shares of the Bombay Stock Exchange.
- Assisted and briefed seniors on the nuances of the **POCSO Act**. Advised clients on filing of complaints under the POCSO Act.
- Defended several foreign clients charged under the **Arms Act**.
- Worked very closely with the legal implications arising out of the **Me Too** campaign on the social media.
- Conducted and assisted several Senior Counsels in **Cross-Examinations** of Witness before the Hon'ble Court as well as various Commissioners
- Appearances before various Metropolitan Magistrates in Mumbai, New Delhi, Delhi, Ghaziabad, Gurgaon, Thane, Jaipur.
- Drafted and issued various seize and desist notices for numerous clients from India and abroad.
- Filed and defended various **Intellectual Property** related Petitions and Complaints before the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi and the High Court of Bombay along with the City Civil Courts, Bombay.

KEY ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Worked extensively on International and Domestic Arbitration matters; appeared and argued before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and the High Court of Delhi and various District Courts on numerous and landmark cases.
- Represented various foreign and domestic clients and law firms in Intellectual Property related litigations and briefed numerous counsels in that regard and have filed various intellectual property Suits before the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi.
- Appeared, argued and briefed seniors for a number of PSUs and in various commercial disputes settled in Arbitrations. Extensive research on the Indian and English Arbitration Act including matters of Jurisdiction, Arbitral Awards (international and domestic) and Appeals.
- Have appeared and prepared reports on the Coal scam before the Hon'ble Supreme Court.
- Appeared independently as a Defence Attorney for numerous sportspersons before the Disciplinary Panel and the Appeal Panel of the **National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA)** since its inception in India. Assisted in the understanding of the **Anti-Doping Laws** from an Indian perspective. Have played a significant role in some of the landmark judgements of the Anti-Doping Panels.
- Represented various Indian sports persons before the **Court of Arbitration for Sports, Lausanne (CAS)** in Anti-Doping matters and filed various Appeals before the CAS on behalf of Indian Athletes.
- Represented various sports persons, IPL Franchisees and other related persons on commercial and sports related litigations and Arbitrations and also in hearings before the AIFF and the BCCI.
- Have assisted several senior Advocates on the development of the new Football League in India, drafting of the Sports Bill pending before the Parliament and for the establishment for the Court of Arbitration for Sports in India.
- Have been appointed the *amicus-curiae* for various corruption matters before the **Hon'ble Lokayukta of Delhi**. Have also analysed **the Lokayukta and Upalokayukta Act of Delhi** along with the **Prevention of Corruption Act** in order to assist the Hon'ble Lokayukta and provided numerous notes on the interpretation of certain statutes.
- Represented various Media houses, media persons and concerns in commercial Litigation and Arbitrations. Drafted various commercial arrangements between media houses and media personalities
- Conducted academic trials based on the interpretation and analysis of the **United Nations (Immunities and Privileges) Act** and its applicability to various offences committed by Diplomats and Ambassadors.
- Drafted and vetted various Mall Agreements, rent agreements, leave and licence agreements including all key documentations such as Letter of Agreements, Agreement to Sell and Sale Deeds.
- Advised clients on various issues relating to real estate transactions, supervised due diligence exercises and provided comprehensive legal analysis of the risk factors that may be associated with real estate transactions.
- Filed and defended various civil and criminal defamation and libel cases

NON-LITIGATION

Legislative:

- Assisted in drafting and presentation of the proposed Mining Laws in India including the **Mines and Mineral (Research and Development) Bill**.
- Assisted seniors in the drafting of the Lokpal Bill.
- Drafted and performed extensive research on the Sports Development Bill.

Commercial Transactions:

- Specialised in drafting, vetting, negotiating and finalising commercial contracts.
- Drafted, reviewed and negotiated several agreements that include Service Agreements, Business Conducting Agreements, Trademark Agreements, Consultancy Agreements, Distribution Agreements and Marketing Agreements.

- Drafted and vetted various sports related commercial agreements and franchisee agreements for an Indian Premier League cricket franchisee and for setting up the Football League in India.
- Drafted and reviewed numerous cross border Agreements and Memorandums with regards to overseas sales, shipping and retail.

Articles, Publications and Presentations:

- Researched extensively on legal issues relating to Defamation, Lobbying, Motor vehicle laws, Lokpal, Political advertisement, Environment protection, Noise pollution, and many other subjects for assisting Mr. Anish Dayal and other seniors for the publication of articles in various magazines and portals.
- Published Articles on Anti-Doping in Sports and the legal situation in India along with the nuances of education amongst Athletes with regards to Anti-Doping.
- Contributed with various articles on the M/s. Solomon & Co. Newsletter as well as Wall Street Journal.
- Conducted extensive research on the Mining laws in India, Canada, South Africa and Australia. Assisted in the publication of a Mining Report in Canada consisting of a study of the legal and practical status of mining in various states of Canada and their applicability in the Indian perspective.

ACADEMICS

B.S.L. LL.B. (Hons.)

D.E.S. Law College, Fergusson, Pune University

2004-2010

Admitted to Bar Council of India

2010

XII (C.B.S.E.)

2003