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### **BAR ADMISSION**

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- ❖ Admitted as Advocate to practice before Indian Courts: 9<sup>th</sup> August 1978

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### **CURRENT POSITION**

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- ❖ Senior Advocate and Arbitrator

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### **AREA OF EXPERTISE**

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- ❖ International and Domestic Commercial Arbitration
- ❖ Commercial Dispute Resolution
- ❖ Civil Matters
- ❖ Criminal Matters
- ❖ Domain Name Disputes

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## **PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS AND AFFILIATIONS**

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- ❖ Professor (Honorary), School of Law and Legal Studies, Sanskriti University, Mathura, U.P.;
- ❖ Certified International Arbitrator, The Asian Institute of Alternative Dispute Resolution (AIADR), Malaysia;
- ❖ Fellow Member of The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London (FCI Arb);
- ❖ Fellow Member of Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (FSI Arb);
- ❖ Fellow Member of The Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators (FMI Arb);
- ❖ Fellow Member of The Asian Institute of Alternative Dispute Resolution (FAIADR);
- ❖ Member of Advisory Board of Senior Lawyers Committee of International Bar Association (IBA);
- ❖ Webinar Officer of Senior Lawyers Committee of International Bar Association (IBA): 2020-2022;
- ❖ Member of Expert committee on Information Technology Act, Constituted by Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, Government of India for making amendment to the Information Technology Act: 2005;
- ❖ Senior Legal Advisor of National Internet Exchange of India: 2004-2005;
- ❖ Legal Advisor of Super Bazar, Delhi: 1996;
- ❖ Consultant (Law) of Greater Noida Industrial Development Authority, Indian International and Domestic Arbitration Centre: March 1999 – May 2004

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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN LITIGATION**

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### **Experience as Senior Advocate/Advocate in Civil/Criminal/Arbitration disputes in Courts**

- ❖ Practiced for more than 35 years as an Advocate and more than 9 years as Senior Advocate (total 44 years) extensively in Supreme Court of India, High Court of Delhi, Uttarakhand, Meghalaya, etc. and District Courts, Delhi.
- ❖ Involved in numerous Civil/Criminal/Arbitration related cases before various courts in and outside India.
- ❖ **Representing/Represented as Senior Advocate various private clients and Government undertakings including:**
  - Gas Authority of India Ltd.
  - National Textile Corporation

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- Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd.
- Indian Telephone Industry
- National Buildings Construction Corporation Ltd.
- Housing and Urban Development Corporation
- National Agricultural Cooperation Marketing Federation of India Ltd.
- High Court of Meghalaya
- Citibank N.A.
- Adidas Indian Marketing Pvt. Ltd.
- Reebok India Company
- Denso India Ltd.
- Fairwood Consultant Pvt. Ltd.
- IRCON International Limited
- Religare Finvest Limited
- Bajaj Finance Limited
- Central Bank of India
- Sadhana Media Pvt. Ltd.
- Alpasso International Engineering Company
- Safe System India Pvt. Ltd.
- Various others corporate and individual clients

**Experience as Counsel in International Cases**

- ❖ Engaged as Advisor by International Company having registered office in Cayman Island to advice on Indian Law in cases pending in Supreme Court of Mauritius.
- ❖ Engaged as counsel by a Singapore based Company for conducting their matters in North India and advising on various legal issues.
- ❖ Engaged as Counsel by a company appointed as Official Liquidator and based in Cayman Islands to conduct their cases in Delhi, India.
- ❖ Engaged as Counsel by a company based in New York, USA.
- ❖ **Have worked as advocate and Legal Consultant for many big Industrial Groups, Business houses, highly placed Individuals, Companies etc.**

**Positions held as an Advocate**

- ❖ **Standing Counsel in Supreme Court of India for:**
  - Housing and Urban Development Corporation,
  - National Internet Exchange of India,
  - Kendriya Vidhyalaya Sangthan
- ❖ **Standing /Nominated Counsel in High Court of Delhi for:**
  - Housing and Urban Development Corporation
  - Uttar Pradesh Financial Corporation.
  - National Productivity Council.
  - National Internet Exchange of India

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- New Okhla Industrial Development Authority
- Kendriya Vidhyalaya Sangthan

❖ **Standing Counsel in Central Administrative Tribunal for:**  
Kendriya Vidhyalaya Sangthan

❖ **Additional Public Prosecutor for:**  
Delhi State in Delhi High Court for about four years.

❖ **Special Public Prosecutor for:**  
Central Bureau of Investigation in the Trial Courts and appeals/revisions or other matters arising out of these cases in revisional or appellate courts.

❖ **Senior Panel Counsel in Supreme Court of India for:**  
Greater Noida Industrial Development Authority

❖ **Senior Panel Counsel / Panel Counsel in Delhi High Court and other Courts for Government and Public Sector Corporations, Financial Institutions including:**

- Union of India
- Delhi Transport Corporations
- National Project Construction Corporations
- Punjab National Bank
- State Bank of India
- Punjab and Sind Bank
- Delhi Consumer Cooperative Wholesale Stores Ltd.
- New Okhla Industrial Development Authority (NOIDA)
- Delhi Metro Rail Corporation
- National Productivity Council
- National Agricultural Cooperation Marketing Federation of India Ltd.
- ICICI Bank Ltd.
- Kotak Mahindra Bank
- Citibank N.A.
- Export Import Bank of India
- Uttar Pradesh State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd.
- Reliance Life Insurance Company Limited
- Rural Electrification Corporation of India
- IRCON International Limited
- Cotton Corporation of India (CCI)
- National Textile Corporation of India (NTC)
- Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)
- Power Grid Corporation of India Limited
- Airports Authority of India (AAI)
- Gas Authority of India Ltd. (GAIL)
- Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd. (BSNL)

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- Indian Telephone Industry (ITI)
- Engineering Projects (India) Ltd. (EPIL)
- Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd. (BHEL)
- Bharat Broadband Network Limited (BBNL)
- National Buildings Construction Corporation Ltd. (NBCC)

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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION**

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### **Experience as Arbitrator**

- ❖ Conducted more than 49 arbitration cases in the capacity of a Sole Arbitrator and part of Three Member Tribunal including domain name disputes of various International and Domestic Companies.

### **Experience as Counsel/Senior Advocate in International Arbitration Cases**

- ❖ Represented as Counsel, a company registered in Cayman Island in an International Commercial Arbitration, before the Three Members Tribunal under LCIA Rules.
- ❖ Represented as the Lead Indian Counsel, a Cayman Island based company in Three International Arbitration matters under the LCIA Rules against two companies, registered in Mauritius and Germany respectively.
- ❖ Represented as Senior Advocate, an Indian Company working internationally in a commercial international arbitration seated in India.

### **Experience as Counsel/Senior Advocate in Domestic Arbitration Cases**

- ❖ Representing as Senior Advocate, a public sector undertaking under Ministry of Railways against a construction company in a commercial arbitration in relation to tunnel and bridges construction dispute.
- ❖ Representing as Senior Advocate, a public sector undertaking under Ministry of Power in a commercial arbitration against a construction company.
- ❖ Representing as Senior Advocate, a big Media group in a commercial arbitration against another Media group.
- ❖ Represented as Senior Advocate, a public sector undertaking under Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas in two commercial arbitrations.
- ❖ Represented as Senior Advocate, Public sector undertaking under Ministry of Textiles in Three (3) commercial arbitrations.
- ❖ Represented as Senior Advocate, a Japanese Automotive company, in a commercial arbitration.

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- ❖ Represented as Senior Advocate, an Indian company of International Brand in a commercial arbitration.
- ❖ Represented a public sector undertaking under Ministry of Jal Shakti, Department of Water Resources in number of commercial arbitrations about construction of various projects.
- ❖ Represented an undertaking of Delhi Government in various commercial construction arbitrations.
- ❖ Represented various private clientele as Senior Advocate/Advocate including companies and individuals in commercial arbitrations before Sole Arbitrators and/or Three Member Tribunals.

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**ARBITRATOR EMPANELMENT**

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**INTERNATIONAL:**

- ❖ WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center;
- ❖ Empaneled on List of Arbitrators of Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC);
- ❖ The Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SI Arb), Singapore;
- ❖ Mauritius International Arbitration Centre (MIAC), Mauritius;
- ❖ Primary Panel of Arbitrators of Maldives International Arbitration Centre (MIAC), Maldives;
- ❖ The Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators, Malaysia;
- ❖ The Asian Institute of Alternative Dispute Resolution(AIADR), Malaysia;
- ❖ Beihai Asia International Arbitration Centre (BAIAC), Singapore;
- ❖ Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration (SCIA), China;
- ❖ The Asian Domain Name Dispute Resolution Centre (ADNDRC);
- ❖ Russian Arbitration Center, Moscow;
- ❖ Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC) (formerly known as 'KLRCA');
- ❖ Badan Arbitrase Nasional Indonesia (BANI Arbitration Center);
- ❖ Thailand Arbitration Center (THAC);
- ❖ Saudi Center for Commercial Arbitration (SCCA), Saudi Arabia;
  
- ❖ Profile details have been kept in the records of DIFC-LCIA Arbitration Centre, Dubai, for consideration for appointment as an Arbitrator;
- ❖ Profile has also been kept by Camera Arbitrale di Milano, Milan (Arbitration Centre) for consideration by the Arbitration Council for appointment as an Arbitrator;
- ❖ Profile has also been kept on the website of Vienna International Arbitral Centre, Vienna for consideration of parties for Arbitrator's Selection;
- ❖ Profile has also been kept in the internal records of Danish Institute of Arbitration, Copenhagen;
- ❖ Registered as Arbitrator in Delos network of potential arbitrators, DELOS Dispute Resolution, Paris;

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**DOMESTIC:**

- ❖ National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI), New Delhi, India;
- ❖ Indian Council of Arbitration (ICA), New Delhi, India;
- ❖ Hyderabad Arbitration Centre; (HAC), Hyderabad, India;
- ❖ Indian International & Domestic Arbitration Centre (IIDAC), New Delhi;
- ❖ The International Center for Alternative Dispute Resolution (ICADR), New Delhi, India;
- ❖ The Indian Dispute Resolution Centre (IDRC), New Delhi, India;
- ❖ Bangalore International Mediation, Arbitration and Conciliation Centre (BIMACC), Bangalore, India;
- ❖ Indian Institute of Arbitration & Mediation (IIAM), (Cochin), Kerala, India;
- ❖ Chandigarh Arbitration Centre, Chandigarh, India;
- ❖ Delhi International Arbitration Centre (DIAC), India.
- ❖ Profile has also been kept by Mumbai Center for International Arbitration (MCIA) for their internal list of Panel of Arbitrators.

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**PUBLICATIONS**

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- ❖ Chapter on Production and Discovery of documents in arbitration in India - A Comparative Analysis - published in Book titled as International Arbitration Discourse and Practices in Asia - (Publisher - Routledge - ISBN 978-1-138-28221-6);
- ❖ Time-bound arbitration under Indian law: a step towards progression or regression? - published by International Bar Association - Arbitration News Vol 22 No 1 June 2017;
- ❖ Is India moving ahead to become a hub for International Arbitrations: A Critical Analysis - published by Indian Council of Arbitration in ICA Arbitration Quarterly Vol. 198/ July - September 2018;
- ❖ Scope of Public Policy in the Recognition and Enforcement of Arbitral Award under Arbitration Laws of India and Singapore – A Comparative Analysis - published by Asia Pacific Jurists Association;
- ❖ Evidence: Collection and role in criminal trial, published by Supreme Court Cases (SCC) in July 2020 First Issue of SCC (Criminal Journal), having citation: (2020) 1 SCC (Cri) J-1;
- ❖ A journey to Arbitration and Conciliation (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020: A Critical Analysis – published in Taxguru;
- ❖ ‘Arbitrability/ Non- Arbitrability of Subject Matter: Judicial Approach Under Indian Law’- in AIADR Journal of International ADR Forum (Volume 2, Issue 7)- published by Asian Institute of Alternative Dispute Resolution (AIADR), Kuala Lumpur;
- ❖ ‘Natural justice and its Applicability to Alternate Dispute Resolution’- in Asian International Arbitration Journal (AI AJ), (Volume 18, Issue 1), PAGES 63–78- published by Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) in collaboration with Wolters Kluwer, 2022;



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- ❖ ‘Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) in India- Journey of Evolution’- published in Beihai Asia International Arbitration Centre (BAIAC) Arbitration & ADR Review, (Publisher – Asian Arb & ADR Alliance, Singapore - ISBN 978-981-18-5805-5).

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**SPEAKING/OTHER ENGAGEMENTS**

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- ❖ Speaker at International Conference on ‘Arbitration Discourse and Practices in Asia’, organized by Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRCA), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 2015;
- ❖ Judged the Final Round at the “Amity National Med-Arb Competition” organized by Amity Law School, Noida, 2017;
- ❖ Speaker at Conference on “International Commercial Arbitration, organized by Asia Pacific Jurist Association (APJA), India & Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC), Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 2018;
- ❖ Lecture for Certificate Course on Arbitration, Mediation & Conciliation on topic 'Recent amendments to the Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996', organized by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), India, 2019;
- ❖ Guest Speaker on the Topic "Arbitration Act - New Vistas For CS", organized by Institute of Company Secretaries of India, 2019;
- ❖ Conducted session at the 'Online Certificate Course on ADR (Arbitration, Conciliation & Mediation)' organized by the Committee on Economic, Commercial Laws & Economic Advisory of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), India, 2020;
- ❖ Conducted session on the topic "Applicability of Natural Justice in Alternative Dispute Resolution" for Online Certificate Course on ADR (Arbitration, Mediation & Conciliation) organized by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), India, 2021;
- ❖ Judged the Final Round as the Presiding Arbitrator at the “First Asia Pacific Vis Pre Moot” organized by The Asian Institute of Alternative Dispute Resolution (AIADR), Malaysia, 2022;
- ❖ Judged the Final Round of Mediation- Arbitration Competition in 5<sup>th</sup> National Amity ADR Tournament, organized by Amity University, India, 2022;
- ❖ Speaker at BAIAC Symposium 2022 “What’s next for Arbitration & ADR?” organized by Beihai Asia International Arbitration Centre, 2022.
- ❖ Have been speaking on various issues in various conferences.

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**PRESTIGIOUS POSITIONS**

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- ❖ Senior Vice-President of NCLT and NCLAT Bar Association, Delhi, India;
- ❖ Secretary of South Delhi Bar Association, Delhi, India;
- ❖ Treasurer of Asia Pacific Jurist Association, India.



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- ❖ International Bar Association (IBA);
- ❖ Bar Association of Supreme Court of India;
- ❖ Bar Association of High Court of Delhi, India;
- ❖ Bar Association of Meghalaya High Court, India;
- ❖ Bar Association of High Court of Nainital, India;
- ❖ Bar Association of Tis Hazari, District Court, India;
- ❖ Bar Association of NCLT and NCLAT, India;
- ❖ Saket Bar Association, Delhi, India;
- ❖ Bar Association of India;
- ❖ Asia Pacific Jurist Association, India;
- ❖ Indian Council of Arbitration (ICA), New Delhi, India.

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## LANGUAGES

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- ❖ English
- ❖ Hindi

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