# Anushkaa Arora

Principal, Founder



Anushkaa Arora is the Principal and Founder of the Firm and also heads the Firm's Criminal, Commercial and Civil practice.

Anushkaa Arora is the Senior Counsel for Private Retainers. Apart from this, she is Senior Panel Counsel on behalf of the Central Government of India, Senior Counsel for the Norther Railways (nominated), Delhi High Court, for Central Government Litigation. Nominated Counsel for NCVET, Ministry of Skill and Entrepreneurship. She is on private retainer for ADTOI (Association of Domestic Tour Operators of India) and on jail visiting panel advocate, based on the recommendations of the interview board constituted for selecting Advocates for empanelment to Delhi High Court Legal Services Committee to name a few. She is the Senior Counsel for Private Client namely Green India Care as well.



# Expertise

- Litigation
- Commercial Law
- Criminal Law

### Awards & Recognitions

- Member of Singapore International Arbitration Center.
- She was awarded Ram Jethmalani excellence award for outstanding performance by the notable Late Sh Ram Jethmalani himself. • She is the BKS lyengar Yoga Pramana Patra holder. She cleared the same with outstanding grades in all 5 levels and is also a professional Yoga trainer for children. • She is the holder of the best research paper award by MDRF, Delhi for her research over transgenders. • She is the third best advocate award holder by the Philip C. Jessup Moot Court Competition, National Rounds. • She is the DG Arty scholarship recipient for two consecutive years.

Anushkaa Arora, has provided a strong foundation the Firm to thrive and grow and aid in dispensing justice be it to the marginalized sector of the society. With a firm believer of giving back to the society, Anushkaa Arora has alongside handling leading Client Company /Entities /Top Individuals /Government advised and fought for the needy. She caters to the Firm's needs, guides and promotes the Firm's vision, and aims to build strong relationships with Clients, Collaborations and the Team. Anushkaa Arora's more than half of a decade of experience in practice and a more than a decade of experience in pro bono legal, spans across a spectrum, including expertise in litigation, Criminal Laws, Commercial Laws, Intellectual Property Right Laws, Patent Laws, Information Technology Laws, Compliance, Food & Safety Laws, International Laws, Transactional Civil Laws and Matrimonial Laws, aiding in the core development of the multi-specialty focused Law Firm.

She is a first generation lawyer who was called upon by the National University of Singapore to pursue her masters after completing graduation as a topper of graduating class from Guru Gobind Singh IP University, USLLS (Main Campus).

She not only had the privilege of working at some of the finest Law Offices of the country where she was offered pre placement but also at three different Law Offices in Singapore.

Anushkaa is a recipient of Ram Jethmalani excellence award for overall outstanding performance which she received from the hands of late Sh. Ram Jethmalani himself. She had also received the Director general of Artillery Scholarship, twice. Mooting and debating has been her passion since budding years of her education. She excelled in various international/national moots and was even adjudged the third best advocate award in the leading and word renowned Moot competition, The Philip C. Jessup Moot Court, National rounds. The management later called upon her to judge the National and later the White & Case International rounds held at Washington DC since 2017 and onward. Since, the Anushkaa Arora, has acted as a coach, a guide, mentor to law students either by way of judging oral rounds, or the memorials nationally and internationally, alongside, coaching some of the top universities of India for the White & Case International rounds. Anushkaa Arora, by doing so this demonstrates her multi facet personality, of not only being available to her clients on priority, rather, aiding in the upliftment of law students thus giving back to the society.

Anushkaa Arora has assumed numerous leadership roles right from her under grad days where she remained active as the President of Hostel Council, university/hostel unions, elected class representative. She has been the Vice Chair for the Young Lawyers Division and has represented various boards as advisories as mentioned below.

Contributing towards betterment of the society and reaching out to the under privileged has been a guiding principle of her professional and personal life. Anushkaa Arora took up research on transgender in India for which she was invited to present paper at Ghent University, Belgium. Anushkaa Arora extends a helping hand to the needy by pro bono activities. She has been working for the welfare of young lawyers, law students and extends her guidance/assistance besides giving them the opportunities through training etc.

Despite managing her work schedule and responsibilities as an Advocate, she still takes pride in judging various moots internationally & nationally, presenting her views over various webinars, guiding young lawyers and law students through interviews and coaching prestigious universities for international leading moot competitions.

Anushkaa Arora has written an extensive directed research under the supervision of Mr. David Tan, Vice Dean of the National University of Singapore apart from numerous other published research papers. She wrote a research paper over issues of transgenders which have been published and recognized Internationally & Nationally Her views upon challenges faced by transgenders and possible mitigation steps were considered by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. Anushkaa Arora was also called upon by University of Ghent to present her views over the issues faced by transgenders in India and the same were highly appreciated.

#### **PRACTICE SPEAKS**

Anushkaa Arora is being sought after by legal expert by both the government, top individuals/individuals and private corporations for advisory and representation on matters related to Criminal, Commercial including Intellectual Property Rights (Trade Marks, Copyrights, Patents), Civil and Transactional Laws.

Anushkaa Arora regularly represents leading clients before the High Courts, District Courts, Forums such as Trade Marks/Copyright Offices, Consumer, Real Estate Regulatory Authority pan India/Delhi.

# Select Experience Statement

**Criminal Laws & Representations** 

- Asian Paints Ltd. ("APL") in relation to the Intellectual Property criminal offenses and defending the same for Company, alongside raids.
- Bisleri International Pvt. Ltd. ("BIL") in relation to the Intellectual Property criminal offenses and defending the same for Company, alongside raids.
- On panel with Jail Visiting Advocates appointed by the Delhi High Court Legal Service Committee.
- Core Convicts and under-trail prisoners, in relation to legal re course for offenses /heinous offenses and release on bail /suspension of sentence /moving appropriate writs.
- Ramvir singh biduri v Delhi Jal Board & Ors, in relation to stay on criminal defamation proceedings for Petitioner.

#### **Corporate & Restructuring Projects**

- Appointed Senior Counsel at Green India Care Pvt. Ltd. ("GIC").
- Green India Care in relation to business development, marketing, co marketing legal strategies and development, nationally and internationally.
- Compliances viz User Agreements, Terms, Policies for top- e commerce retail business owners, leading Pharma Companies, Agro Based Companies, Software & App centric, leading global marketing Companies.

#### Commerical

- M/s Bennett Coleman & Co. Ltd. V Giftcart Ecommerce Pvt. Ltd. & Ors, i in relation to representing various top- e commerce retail business owners over infringement of trade marks and passing off.
- Conducting IP Audits and handling IP portfolios in relation to leading companies and startups;

#### International Domain

- International Trade Agreements and Advice in relation to leading Pharma Companies, Agro Based Companies, Software & App centric, leading global marketing Companies.
- Patent Conflict check and Opinions in relation to leading Agro Based Companies, Software Developers, for all Countries across the Globe.
- Property and Compliance reports in relation to top individual of India for countries like Singapore.
- Intellectual Property Search, report and compliance, for leading international and domestic retails outlets, and companies.

A detailed experience statement can be shared on a confidential basis.

# FOREIGN TRAINEE EXPERIENCE/ NATIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Foreign Trainee at the Pro bono Society of Singapore, Ravindran Associates, Singapore, Mr Jaya Kumar Naidu, Jay Law Corporation, Singapore.
- Experience to have intensively interned at offices (to name a few) including:
  - With Leading Law Firms of the Country, India:
  - S. Amarchand Mangaldas; Luthra & Luthra Law Offices; R.K. Dewan & Co..
  - From the Bench:
  - Hon'ble Mr Justice Pradeep Nandrajog (Former Chief Justice Rajasthan/Bombay HC);
  - Leading Institutions:
  - Ministry of HRD, IPR Chair, IIT-Madras;
  - With leading Individuals: Supreme Court Adv. M.C. Mehta, Environmentalist; Former Addnl. Solicitor

Gen., Sidharth Luthra; Sr. Adv. Mohit Mathur; Adv. Yashpal Singh Pundir& Adv. Atul Singh Pundir, District Court of Dehradun.

# PAPER PUBLICATIONS

- Anushkaa Arora, The legality of cover version songs in the 21st century ISBN-978-81-933579-1-0;
- Anushkaa Arora, Analysis of section 52 of the Indian copyright Act 1957 ISSN 2454-8715;
- Anushkaa Arora, Trans-Boundary Fossil Aquifers ISSN 2463-6401;
- Anushkaa Arora, Medical Negligence ISSN 2347-3185;
- Orally presented various papers including topics ethnic diversity: a prime source of utilitarian aspect & conservation of flora, the law of yoga to help understanding ourselves; redressing sexual harassment of women at workplace
- Selected to Internationally present paper at the Ghent University (Belgium) on the issues faced by Transgenders in India and recommendations;
- Anushkaa Arora Backfire! Redress Sexual Harassment Workplaces ISSN 2394- 5044;

# **EDUCATION**

- National University of Singapore (July 2018)
- Master of Laws(LL.M)(Intellectual Property Laws) (bestowed by the president of SG, Ms. Halimah Yacob)
- Subjects: Celebrity and Entertainment laws, fair use in the UK, USA, copyright, trademarks, cyber law including cryptocurrency, current problems in Intl Law, state responsibility etc.
- Successfully completed Directed Research under Prof David Tan (ViceDean Academic Affairs) on Luxury Brand Counterfeiting.
- Guru Gobind Singh IP University, USLLS Delhi India (July 2012-2017) Bachelor of Arts and Law Honours (B.A.LL.B(H.)) (Topper of graduating class90%)
  - Received First Class Division; Received First class with Distinction in Contract Law, Legal Method, Human Rights, Drafting, Humanitarian Law, Pol. Sci., Hist., Sociology, Env.& Economics; Consistently in top 10-73 %
  - Thesis: Public Intl Law (Exemplary performance); Internship Report: IPR Laws (Exemplary performance)
- Ann Mary School, Dehradun July 2012
- The Indian Certificate of Secondary Education Examination:
- Senior Secondary (83.42%) and Higher Senior Secondary (77%)- ICSE and ISC Board with Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics & Yoga
- Selected for the Student Exchange Programme-Freiherr Vom Stein Schule Neckarsteinach, Germany;
- Won 2nd position in Inter-school English elocution & drama competitions & school debates;
- Won the Gold, Silver & Bronze medal in Sports: Short-Put, 100m dash, Shuttle Relay, Long Jump

# Languages

- English (native/bilingual proficiency)
- Hindi (native/bilingual proficiency)
- German (3rd language, 2005-2008, (A2 Level))

# PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Member at the Singapore International Arbitration Centre
- Delhi High Court Bar Association
- Delhi Bar Association
- Bhartiya Janta Party