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## **PROFILE**

Appointed as a Government Pleader in the High Court of Delhi to handle litigation on behalf of the Government of India. Also empanelled with the State Bank of India and with Telecommunications Consultants India Limited.

Currently practicing across various judicial for a in various fields including, inter alia, writs, arbitration, property, criminal, taxation, contract, tenders, and cyber law. As a former Associate of Central Government Standing Counsel at the High Court of Delhi, extensive experience of dealing with Government departments, assisting the Solicitor General of India and Additional Solicitor General of India, and working in a time-sensitive, highly confidential environment, and with reported judgments to credit.

B.A.-LL.B. (Hons.) graduate from G.G.S.I.P. University, Delhi and LL.M. in Computer and Communications Law from Queen Mary, University of London. Enrolled in the Bar Council of Delhi with Enrolment No. D/3447/2017. Partner at Temple Legal LLP.

Experienced in legal research and drafting through work experience in India and the United Kingdom. Former member of not-forprofit organisations operating in the field education, international law, and cyber technology.

Six research papers presented at various conferences and four research papers published in reputed journals.

# **EDUCATION**

Amity Law School GGSIP University, Delhi-BA-LLB (Hons.), 2011-16 | 59.2%

**Delhi Public School International:** Cambridge A-Levels, 2010 | BDDD

Delhi Public School International Cambridge IGCSE, 2008 | A\*ABBBBC Queen Mary University of London, United Kingdom - LLM, 2017 | 2:1 (Merit)

- Specialisation: Computer and Communications Law.
- Modules: E-Commerce Law, Cybercrime, IT Transactions, Digital IP Law.
- Dissertation: Comparative analysis of cybercrime in India, UK and Europe. [High Merit]

Events Assistant Manager of the International Students Society.

Student Representative of the Student-Staff Liaison Committee

### LEGAL EMPANELMENTS

### Government of India

Appointed as a Government Pleader in the High Court of Delhi since February 2022 to handle litigation on behalf of the Government of India.

#### State Bank of India

Empanelled Advocate since August 2022 to handle litigation as well as various legal tasks in the Delhi Circle on behalf of the State Bank of India

# Telecommunications Consultants India Limited

Empanelled Advocate since November 2022 for handing legal work pan-India on behalf of the Telecommunications Consultants India Limited.

# **LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

Advocate; Law Offices of Abhigyan Siddhant; Delhi, India (Dec 2021-Present)

Working as an Independent Legal Counsel and Advocate in the various judicial and quasi-judicial fora across the country on various types of matters including, *inter alia*, writs, property, criminal, arbitration, taxation, contract, tenders, service, intellectual property, and cyber law.

Associate, Chambers of Mr. Anurag Ahluwalia; Delhi, India (Feb 2018-Dec 2021) Worked extensively under Mr. Anurag Ahluwalia, Central Government Standing Counsel, as an Associate in the High Court of Delhi. Worked closely with various ministry officials and assisted in the Additional Solicitor General of India and Solicitor General of India in a wide array of cases.

Intern, Singhania & Co Solicitors; London, UK (Sep 2017-Nov 2017)

Worked under the Senior Partner, Mr. Vijay Goel, of Singhania & Co Solicitor, a London-based commercial litigation firm. The work included research into immigration requirements for Asian expats, property transactions, and client outreach.

Joint-Secretary (Legal), Cyber Peace Foundation; Delhi, Key position in the core of the organisation, with a focus on cyber security and cybercrime. Responsibilities include heading legal research, and compilation of reports and papers to be sent to various government departments.

India (May 2016-Mar 2018)

Joint Secretary, Society for Research in Law; Lucknow, India (Jan 2015-Aug 2016)

Member of the administrative body of a student-run organisation, with a role of general administration and assisting the President and Vice-President. Responsibilities included heading sponsorship drives and other organisational tasks while organising a unique international workshop.

Judicial Intern, High Court of Delhi; New Delhi, India (Mar 2016– Mar 2016) Worked under Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ashutosh Kumar at the High Court of Delhi. Primary responsibilities included preparing briefing notes and summary of the cases due before the court the next day and legal research. Further responsibilities included verifying court files.

Intern, S&B Partners Advocates; New Delhi, India (Jan 2016–Feb 2016) Worked directly under a Partner in the Delhi-based litigation firm. Responsibilities included drafting plaints and legal notices, shadowing partners and associates at the court proceedings, and legal research.

Intern, Mrs. Geeta Luthra, Sr. Advocate; New Delhi, India (Jul 2014–Jul 2014) Worked under the Senior Advocate, with responsibilities including legal research and drafting. Shadowed the Senior Advocate through various court proceedings, including at High Court of Delhi and the Supreme Court of India.

Intern, Mr. Arjun Harkauli, Advocate-on-Record; Delhi, India (Jul 2012-Jul 2012) Worked directly under the Advocate-on-Record in the Supreme Court of India. Responsibilities included legal research, drafting, case file preparations, and shadowing the Advocate-on-Record through various courts and tribunals.

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

Project Designer, Samadhan Abhiyan; New Delhi, India (Nov 2015-Aug 2016) Worked for the Delhi-based NGO with a specific focus on combatting child sexual abuse. Responsibilities included legal analysis, preparation of project reports and presentations, and conducting poverty-alleviation drives.

Legal Researcher and Project Designer,

Worked for the Delhi-based NGO working on creating occupation opportunities for the poor. The work included project designing, legal research and survey data collection.

Samarpit; Delhi, India (May 2015–Sep 2015)

Public Relations Head, Umeed Initiative; New Delhi, India (Jan 2014-Oct 2014) Worked for the student-run NGO for upliftment of the slum dwellers in Delhi, India during the undergraduate degree. Responsibilities included formulating legal-awareness courses, conducting surveys and interviewing activists.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- 1. **"The One Who Needs and the One Who Eats: A Global perspective on the Right to Food"**–
  International Journal of Law and Policy Review, West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (July 2015) | ISSN 2278-3156
- 2. **"The Invisible Trade: Human Trafficking in the Deep Web"** Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University Law Review (Volume 5, May 2015) | ISSN 0975-9530
- 3. **"Global and Domestic Surveillance: Analysis of its Conflict with Privacy"** International Human Rights Conference, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (2015) | ISBN 978-93-84166-06-9
- 4. **"Superstition and Savagery: Human Sacrifice and its Sociology"** International Journal of Social Science Review (Volume II Issue 1, June 2014) | ISSN 2347-6885

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

Languages English (Fluent), Hindi (Fluent), French (Elementary)