



Corporate Legal Partners

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We believe lawyers have a responsibility to provide clients with full level of support needed to avoid stress of the legal process so they can focus on their business and profession. We understand what it takes to help our clients to navigate the often-complex legal system. We are committed to develop an effective strategy that works for you. Each of our clients receives personalized support from a lawyer who assesses the unique aspects of each case and identifies the legal options that best address their needs.

To ensure success of our client we provide a 360 degree view of all legal solutions and ensure that all goals are achieved within the framework of such laws. The Firm has its principle office at New Delhi (Lajpat Nagar) and associate lawyers in major cities of India. The office is easily accessible from all parts of Delhi as well as its suburbs. The Firm represents varied clients comprising Government and Non-Governmental Bodies, Multinationals, Indian and Foreign Corporate bodies, Financial Institutions, Claimants, victims of fraud, harassment, injustice, injury, abuse and individuals in an array of matters.

At Corporate Legal Partners, our clients work directly with experienced lawyers who personally understand their objectives and help to achieve them. Our firm's operations foster a culture where we take the time to obtain a thorough understanding of your issues, your legal objectives and your concerns. From there, we create a strategic approach for obtaining best possible solutions in your case. We are flexible, receptive and responsive to needs of our Indian as well as International clients. Our experienced lawyers focus on all legal issues and cases, from concept stage and onward, in the areas of corporate & labour law, telecom & media law, intellectual property law, internet law, international law, human rights law, commercial and real estate law, estate planning, family law, inheritance and various other matters. The services provided by us are transparent, efficient and expedient.

We offer to clients an extensive expertise in civil and criminal trials, commercial litigation, arbitration and appellate matters spanning virtually in every area of substantive law. We also provide services specific to industries like software, communication, energy, environment, food, healthcare, insurance, financial institutions & securities and regulatory services to our clients including those that have been strictly regulated, such as the banking, mining, energy, telecommunications and financial industries.

Services

- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)
- Appellate Litigation
- Capital Markets
- Claim matters
- Climate Change and Sustainability
- Commercial Disputes
- Commercial Transactions

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- Competition & Trade Regulation
- Corporate/M&A
- Insurance Coverage
- Intellectual property
- International Arbitration
- Labor, Employment and Workplace Safety
- Mining and Metals
- Private Equity
- Public Private Partnerships (Projects)
- Real Estate/Land Laws
- Regulatory Clearances
- White Collar Crime/Criminal Defense

Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)

Adjudication of disputes in Courts takes a very long time. Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) is a quicker and less expensive alternative of traditional forms of dispute resolution. We assist our clients in resolving disputes by way of ADR. The effectiveness of ADR depends upon many factors including the legal issues involved, nature of claim and information exchanged by the parties.

We believe in providing effective and comprehensive integrated dispute resolution mechanisms. We help our clients from the very beginning. We assist them in drafting of ADR clauses in national and international context keeping in view the legal and financial implications. Our assistance is not limited to providing boilerplate clauses but we help them in negotiation, mediation and if need be in arbitration.

Appellate Litigation

The last word in many cases comes from appellate court and cases do reach to High Courts, Appellate Tribunals and Supreme Court. An appeal Court can overturn the decision of lower Court or Tribunal and a loss can turn into victory or vice versa. Skilled appellate advocacy is very important and desirable to achieve the desired results.

We have broad experience in appellate practice, having briefed and argued cases in the Supreme Court of India, Delhi High Court, National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Central Administrative Tribunal, Debt Recovery Appellate Tribunal, Appellate Authority for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction, Income Tax appellate Tribunal, Customs, Excise and Service Tax, Appellate Tribunal, Intellectual Property Appellate Board, Telecom Disputes Settlement & Appellate Tribunal etc.

Our appellate lawyers help clients frame and conduct appeals by focusing on relevant applicable law and choosing issues that are most likely to lead to a positive result.

Our lawyers write concise, compelling briefs while taking into account the correct position of law and keeping in mind fairness and public policy and present them before the Court with appropriate words and strategic responses to the questions posed by the judges during arguments.

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Our appellate practice covers a wide variety of subject areas, including the following:

- administrative law
- arbitration
- claim cases
- contract and commercial disputes
- competition law
- constitutional issues
- consumer protection laws
- criminal law
- education
- elections
- employment and labor
- environmental liabilities
- financial institutions
- insurance coverage
- intellectual property laws
- labour disputes
- land use
- municipal law
- products liability
- real estate
- securities
- tax

Capital Markets

Our lawyers have worked for and advised investors, investment banks and market intermediaries. We provide expert advice to listed companies as well as stakeholders relating to SEBI laws and regulations on IPOs, follow-on offerings, listing, delisting, takeover, securities law reporting and compliance matters.

Claim Cases

We represent our clients in various types of claim cases before the courts and applicable forums & authorities where injustice has been meted out to the claimants and fraud have been played upon them. The claimant can be individual, group of people or even organisations or corporations. The claim can relate to mass tort litigation, financial fraud, abuse, violation of human rights, any other criminal act violating the applicable provisions of law. We claim to represent effectively and sincerely before every applicable forums & court of law.

Climate Change and Sustainability

Governments are increasingly getting sensitive towards environmental issues resulting into framing of many new laws regulating industries. These laws range from taxation to direct financial assistance to penal provisions leading to imprisonment. We represent all kind of affected parties as well as business organizations benefiting or targeted by these laws whether or not dealing in manufacturing, clean technology, natural resources or first time adopters of

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“green” practices. We draw on a wide range of areas including real estate, tax, construction, environmental, energy, intellectual property, international law, etc. Our areas of practice include:

- Greenhouse Gas Emission Mitigation
- Environmental Impact
- Project Financing
- Sustainable Development
- Transactions and Lending
- Tax Incentives and Credits
- Regulatory Compliance
- Public Policy and Government Funding
- Corporate Governance
- Litigation
- Insurance coverage

Commercial Disputes

Commercial disputes may hamper growth of business if not resolved swiftly and efficiently. Disputes are inevitable therefore it is important for business to address them at the very beginning in a cost effective manner. We believe that commercial disputes can't be resolved without understanding the business model; therefore we quickly learn fine nitty-gritties of business and develop strategy taking into account applicable principle of law for positive outcome.

Our lawyers have experience in representing clients in highest forums of India and have participated in ADR proceeding internationally. All our lawyers are well trained to deal with most complex and voluminous contracts. In adversarial system of justice we have been trained to represent clients irrespective of the fact whether our client has initiated the proceeding or a part of it. We are regularly representing individuals, associations, companies, legal entities as well Government departments.

With the object of protecting the interest of our client we guide our clients towards creative resolution of dispute by mediation and settlement. In case, if settlement is not feasible or against the interest of our clients, we devise strategies that yield desired outcome to our clients. Our goal is to protect interest of our client. We also organize training programs for management persons to help them mitigate the risk of litigation.

Commercial Transactions

Agreements are backbone of all commercial arrangements. Every business activity be it procurement of raw material, arrangement of capital, manufacturing or proving goods and services all are governed by laws of contracts. We help our clients to structure, negotiate and document their commercial understanding in legal enforceable manner so that contracting parties can mutually benefit from each other. We particularly take into account commercial risks of contracting parties having regard to their business models.

We assist in standardization of agreements and implementation of decision-making process for procurement and distribution of goods and services. For our clients, we develop efficient and effective infrastructure of contract management for existing as well as new products and

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services. Our services are not limited to drafting of legal agreements but we also participate in negotiation, vetting, implementation and if need be dispute resolution. We draft and negotiate wide-ranging contracts and all our drafts reflect the true intent of the parties to the agreement behind entering into transaction along with risk mitigation with commercial understanding.

We have experience on working on wide variety of agreements pertaining to different industries ranging from information technology, telecommunications, human resources, finance and administration, transportation, facilities management, real estate and procurement.

Our response to the clients is always prompt and accurate providing speedy access on diverse laws ranging from employment contracts to government contracts, intellectual property to transfer of manufacturing facilities to construction. Having knowledge and ability to advice on countless laws allows us to cost effective and timely advice to our clients.

We are committed to serve our clients in best possible manner so they can concentrate on their core activities. We devote significant amount of our time and resources on training and knowledge-sharing to get acquainted with ever changing legal and commercial scenarios. We believe that without understanding the perspective of clients and their business no meaningful assistance could be provided therefore each transaction and each contract has to be understood thoroughly so that best in class services could be provided to our clients be it day-to-day or strategic commercial transactions, such as services contracts, purchase and supply agreements, consignments, research and development, employment contracts, managed services arrangements, licenses, transfer of IPR, technology transfers, takeover and joint ventures.

Competition & Trade Regulation

With increase in size and scale of business increases antitrust/competition risk associated with their conduct. We represent clients in all manner of investigations and legal proceedings before Competition Commission of India, Competition Appellate Tribunal and Supreme Court of India. We represent our clients on a range of commercial conducts ranging from and including alliances, distribution, innovation, and changes in pricing mechanism. We help our clients use the antitrust/competition laws to deal with issues arising by from denial of access of new markets and other such similar issues. Our advice is always practical and makes business sense.

Corporate/M&A

Corporate structuring is indispensable tool of expansion, diversification and rationalization. We provide full-service to facilitate the structuring, financing and successful completion of all sort of transactions including:

- Mergers and acquisitions
- Demergers
- Reduction of share capital
- Joint ventures/strategic alliances
- Public and private debt and equity offerings

We serve as counsel to a broad array of companies, partnerships and entrepreneurs.

Financial Institutions and Services disputes

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Resolution of disputes in time bound and cost effective manner is essential for success of any organisation. Apart from resolving disputes by a process driven by Courts we also assist our clients in resolving cases through arbitration and mediation. We believe that lawyer's job is not limited to litigate on behalf of their clients. Risk management is also indispensable part of lawyer's job. We provide uninterrupted services to our clients in the areas of internal investigations, audits, contract management, intra organizational policies and regulatory compliances.

The lawyers at our firm have experience in filing claims as well as successfully contesting them. Our team has successfully represented regional, national, and international clients of all types and sizes in financial services disputes.

Insurance Coverage

Our insurance practice focused on two areas: representing policyholder clients in contentious matters and providing advisory services to clients. Our lawyers have successfully dealt with wide range of insurance issues, including directors and officers liability, products liability, property damage and business interruption losses, to name a few.

Intellectual property

Intellectual property assets consists of information that are subject to the protections of patent, copyright, or trademark laws. We have experience in all sorts of Intellectual Property Litigation. We manage trademark portfolios for our clients. We have extensive experience in seizures and preliminary injunctions and trials. We prosecute and contest cases involving registered and unregistered trademarks and service marks, as well as wide variety other claims.

We handle issues related to infringement litigation involving computer programs, literary works, sound recordings and design, architectural works, and many other protected works. We represent advice and render assistance to our clients in matters relating to authorship, ownership, works for hire, originality, fair use, broadcasting, performance rights etc.

We advise on both technical (such as computer programs, computer networking technology) and non-technical (such as business, marketing, and customer database) to big and small companies. We provide full range of services with respect to Intellectual Property form registration to protection of rights through means of courts.

International Arbitration

Arbitration is preferred mode of dispute resolution in cross border disputes. Unlike court driven process, arbitration gives liberty to parties to choose applicable law, venue of arbitration as well as arbitrators. Apart from convenience and ease of process, arbitral awards are enforceable in most of jurisdictions. We help our clients thought out arbitration proceedings as well as subsequent enforcement of awards. Our lawyers have experience in dealing with arbitration matters governed by the ICC, LCIA and UNCITRAL Rules.

Labor, Employment and Workplace Safety

Having excellent employer employee relationship is very important for sustainable growth of any company/organization. Laws play very important role in it and impact each and every

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workplace be it small or big. Numbers of laws applicable to any workplace are many. We deal with all kind matters arising from the employer employee relationship. We advise and represent our clients on wide range of labour laws.

Mining and Metals

Our experience spans the range of natural resources development, conservation, and management companies – including base and precious metals, minerals, coal, steel, and aggregates. We represent mining and metals companies, investors and advisers in corporate and transactional matters, including mergers and acquisitions, equity capital markets, project finance, contracts, and project development.

We also focus on other areas of law including litigation and dispute resolution, labor, employment & workplace safety, competition and trade regulation.

Our global platform includes lawyers with experience across a broad range of disciplines who work seamlessly to ensure effective and efficient staffing for every client project.

Our clients represent various mining and metals sectors and include:

- Base Metals
- Precious Metals
- Minerals
- Coal
- Steel and Specialty Metals
- Aggregates

Private Equity

We offer sophisticated advice for the full life cycle of an investment or portfolio company. We have worked on transactions including fund formation, new money or private equity investments, financings, initial public offerings as well as mergers, acquisitions. Our thorough understanding of prevailing practices enables us to provide quality services.

Public Private Partnerships (Projects)

Public Private Partnerships (PPP) are very complex by its very nature because of day to day monitoring by governmental agencies and multifarious application and permissions to be obtained from such agencies. Given the legal, financial and commercial complexity of such projects, participants need comprehensive legal advice from lawyers who have the technical, commercial and regulatory experience along with project management skills.

We advise clients in many sectors including the energy, transportation, entertainment, telecommunications, health, and construction industries. We have experience in representing sponsors, promoters and stakeholders of PPP projects as well as lenders, vendors, landowners, contractors, operators, investors and equipment suppliers. We advise on all phases of the project—from the initial structuring, bidding, financing, construction and beyond.



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Real Estate/Land Laws

Land laws are very most critical and complex laws and cannot be ignored while dealing with immovable property. Dealing with immovable property requires both a thorough knowledge of the relevant legal, interdepartmental and land use laws, as well as a practical, results-oriented approach. Our lawyers help clients navigate the ever changing legal and regulatory laws with regard to land use, planning, and zoning issues related to the construction, financing, acquisition, disposition and management of real estate transactions and projects.

We take pride in the ability to grasp and quickly adapt to the ever changing laws and regulations affecting the use and development of immovable properties, whether it is a complex commercial development, a large mixed land use, the redevelopment of existing infrastructure, a green field development with public infrastructure, or a small project that requires a special permit.

We have team of trained lawyers who constantly stay in touch with lawyers in other practice disciplines. This approach of ours leads to an efficient delivery of legal services across a wide range of legal issues, including environmental and construction issues, financing, acquisition, disposition, and management of real estate projects.

Regulatory Clearances

We help our clients in structuring transactions by isolating or minimizing financial and regulatory implications of transactions. This involves analyzing substantive competition issues, obtaining permission from regulatory authorities and Courts/Tribunals.

Succession Planning/Partition

When a person dies without a Will then assets of deceased are divided among legal heirs as per the law. This legal form of a succession is referred to as an "Intestate Succession". In contrast to Intestate Succession, a Testate Succession is performed when deceased person has executed a valid last Will/Testament. Under Indian Law, there are very strict rules that must be followed in order to make last Will/Testament to be considered valid. We help our clients create a Will that can be upheld by Courts. The goal of our firm is to assist our clients in distributing assets quickly and efficiently in accordance with law.

The laws relating to partition of Hindu Undivided Family (HUF) property are complicated. We assist our clients in partition of assets belonging to HUF in equitable and amicable manner. We also assist our clients who have been deprived to get their rightful share in HUF property.

Areas of practice

- Wills
- Probates
- Gift
- Partition
- Family Trust

White Collar Crime/Criminal Defence

Our team consists of experienced lawyers who dealt with criminal trials and investigations from first hint of potential offence to final appeals in the Supreme Court of India. We have advised

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our clients in domestic/internal investigations, provided compliance advice, organized training relating to prevention of money laundering and assisted clients in preventive & remedial steps.

Areas of practice

- Government Procurement Matters
- False Claims
- Forgery
- Cyber and e-Commerce Crime
- Trademark and Intellectual Property Infringement
- Criminal Trials
- Bail matters

Team

We believe that the key ingredient in a successful product is the people behind it. The individuals who serve you have the competence and knowledge and the highest ethical standards for their conduct in the profession. Apart from key person, we have a team of associates & senior associates who assist the firm in execution of its work.

The key managerial persons of the firm are as under:-

Mr VikasKumar is the litigation partner in the firm. He is an Advocate on Record in Supreme Court of India, having extensive experience of court litigation. Mr. Kumar is a member of Supreme Court Bar Association, Delhi High Court Bar Association and YIAG, LCIA (London).

The Corporate wing of the firm is being handled by **Mr Manish Paliwal** (L.L.B., L.L.M., C.S.). Mr. Paliwal is a qualified lawyer and did his Master (L.L.M.) from Switzerland in International Economic and Commercial Law. He has extensively worked on domestic and cross border issues at various levels in India and Internationally and is regularly advising large Indian business conglomerates dealing in sectors i.e. FMCG, telecommunication, Gems & Jewellery, Manufacturing etc.

Mr. Devesh Pandey (C.S.) is working as a corporate law consultant to the firm. He is a company secretary with more than six years of diverse corporate law experience in the field of foreign direct investment, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, company law matters, private equity transactions, due diligences etc.

Mr. Vivek Gupta (C.A., L.L.B.) is a qualified Chartered Accountant and Lawyer having extensive experience in Corporate law, Taxation, litigation matters and ERP (Enterprises Resource Planning). He has an extensive experience into Project management, consultancy, drafting and publication of RFP (Request for Proposal). Mr Gupta has been handling SEPA compliance for Oracle payment in Euro for the key global clients.

Mr Alok Sinha, (B.Sc., L.L.B.) is an experienced trial attorney with the firm who has more than 14 years of rich trail court litigation experience before District Courts & High Courts which includes advising, drafting, appearing, depositions, cross examination and arguing matters of diverse nature. Mr Sinha has an extensive experience in dealing with Civil and criminal cases, banking & recovery matter, Rent matter, Arbitration & Mediation, Family matters, Commercial matters etc.

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