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EXPERIENCE

Nitansha is a counsel at Singularity Legal. She holds an LL.M. in Commercial Law from the University of Cambridge (2024).

Her range of experience includes advising clients in their cross-border disputes in arbitrations under various rules such as SIAC, LMAA, SCMA, and DIAC and in cross border disputes before various courts and tribunals in India, Singapore, DIFC, ADGM, the United Arab Emirates, and the Netherlands.. She is also part of the firm's pro bono initiative and represents athletes in anti-doping and other sports disputes before Indian courts and tribunals. She has previously worked for a full-service law firm in New Delhi, where she represented and advised clients across various sectors on their liability and compliance under the Indian indirect tax regime. She also has a passion for advising on art law.

COMMERCIAL DISPUTES

Arbitration

- Representing an Indian trading company in an arbitration in relation to the sale of cotton yarn to a Hong Kong-based buyer under two sales orders (SIAC Rules, Singapore seated, English law)
- Representing an Indian shipping company in an arbitration against two Indian maritime support service companies for breach of contractual obligations arising out of a settlement agreement. (SCMA Rules, Singapore seated, Singapore Law)
- Representing 5 shipping companies based in Marshall Islands in 8 arbitrations concerning breach of their Ship Management Agreements by a Singapore based ship management entity (LMAA Arbitration Terms, London seated, English law)
- Advising a UAE-based HNI in relation to a potential arbitration regarding his dispute with a crypto-trading platform in relation to the freezing of his account over disputed allegations of market manipulation (SIAC Rules, Singapore law).

Litigation

- Representing a Russian fertilizer manufacturing company in proceedings relating to enforcement of a Russian judgment in India (Bombay High Court).
- Representing an Indian shipping company in ship arrest proceedings against two Indian marine support service companies for breaches of a settlement agreement (Supreme Court, Gujarat & Orissa High Court).
- Representing a Turkish automotive components manufacturer in proceedings related to oppression and mismanagement and challenging an unlawful share transfer against their group entities in the Netherlands and India (NCLT, NCLAT Chennai)
- Representing a decorated Indian female powerlifter in anti-doping proceedings initiated by the National Anti-Doping Agency following her participation in the 2023 National Senior (Men & Women) Equipped Powerlifting Championship (Delhi High Court, Supreme Court, Anti-Doping Disciplinary and Appellate Panels)Represented an Indian rubber manufacturer in a dispute involving alleged wrongful availment of central excise credit under the erstwhile Indian central excise duty laws (Customs, Excise and Service Tax Appellate Tribunal)
- Represented a Japanese automobile company in disputes involving alleged wrongful availment of input tax credit under the Indian Central Goods and Service Tax Act (Indian Department of Revenue)
- Represented a global food aggregator in a dispute involving the imposition of service tax on online advertising services under the erstwhile Indian service tax regime (Indian Department of Revenue)

- Represented a French security services company in a dispute involving alleged wrongful availment of input tax credit under the Indian Central Goods and Service Tax Act (Indian Department of Revenue)
- Represented a global electric wire and cable manufacturer in a dispute involving the imposition of tax liability under the Indian Central Goods and Service Tax Act (Indian Department of Revenue)
- Represented a global health research and innovation organisation in a dispute involving the denial of refund of service tax credits availed for services provided to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation under the erstwhile Indian service tax regime (Indian Department of Revenue)
- Represented a Kazakhstan-based construction company in a dispute involving the alleged default in payment of service tax under the erstwhile Indian service tax regime (Indian Department of Revenue)

ADVISORY

- Advising a multinational advertising company in obtaining litigation finance for its claims against a state entity under bilateral investment treaties, an arbitration under the DIAC Rules, and DIFC litigation

Tax

- Advised a global proprietary trading firm on the implications of supplying trading algorithms to their Indian group entity for conducting proprietary trading on Indian stock exchanges under the Indian Central Goods and Service Tax Act
- Advised a leading Indian paper manufacturer and companies in the packaged food industry on the correct classification of their products under Indian customs laws
- Advised a leading Indian automotive solutions company on determining the place of supply of services and issuing correct tax invoices under the Indian Central Goods and Service Tax Act
- Advised an Indian lithium-ion cell importer under the Indian Goods and Service Tax regime and Customs laws
- Advised a general insurance company on the implications of their transactions with various entities and on reversing tax credits on destroyed machinery under the Indian Central Goods and Service Tax Act

Art

- Advised Indian art collectors on the status of artworks and registration requirements under the Indian Art Treasures and Antiquities Act 1972

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- Advised an award-winning Indian artist on issues of copyright ownership, payment terms and liquidated damages in an agreement with an international airport for commissioning an art installation
- Advised a New York-based artist on a consignment agreement with an art gallery in Los Angeles
- Advised an Indian collector on the sale of rare heirloom medieval scrolls to a prominent Indian art gallery
- Advised a Dubai-based art collector on the valuation and sale of a collection of original Raja Ravi Varma paintings to a UK-based entrepreneur

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS & PUBLICATIONS

- “Painting the Complete Picture: Issues Surrounding Art Arbitration in India” co-authored with Parimal Kashyap, published on the Kluwer Arbitration Blog (1 July 2020; available at <https://arbitrationblog.kluwerarbitration.com/2020/07/01/painting-the-complete-picture-issues-surrounding-art-arbitration-in-india/>)
- “On the Applicability of the RTI Act to PM CARES and the Need for Accountability” co-authored with Mohammed Zaid, published on Live Law (30 May 2020; available at <https://www.livelaw.in/columns/on-the-applicability-of-the-rti-act-to-pm-cares-and-the-need-for-accountability-157596>)
- “Allowing Ideas to Change our World: An Analysis of the Corporate Regulatory Framework for Start-ups in India” co-authored with Shivam Burghate, published in the Indian Journal of Law & Public Policy (Vol. 5(1) 2018-2019; available at <https://heinonline.org/HOL/LandingPage?handle=hein.journals/ijlpp5&div=10&id=&page=>)
- “Psychology in Art: The Influence of Freudian Theories on Surrealist Art”, published in the International Journal of Indian Psychology (Vol. 4(4) July-September 2017; available at <https://ijip.in/articles/psychology-in-art-the-influence-of-freudian-theories-on-surrealist-art/>)