



VERITAS LEGAL
ADVOCATES & SOLICITORS

LITIGATION & DISPUTE
RESOLUTION PROFILE

ABOUT US

Veritas Legal is a law firm consisting of experienced professionals. Our team brings together the experience of lawyers who have worked in India's leading law firms. Our aim is to provide clear client-focused legal advice and solutions based on an in-depth knowledge of the legal, regulatory and commercial environment in India. Our clients benefit from our past experience, blended with the personal attention and streamlined advice that we provide.

LITIGATION & DISPUTE RESOLUTION

INDICATIVE EXPERIENCE OF THE FIRM AND ITS MEMBERS

CIVIL MATTERS:

- Regularly represent clients in respect of corporate & commercial disputes, shareholder disputes, private equity disputes, real estate litigations, mergers & acquisitions, defending corporate restructuring & re-organization of companies, insolvency & bankruptcy matters, banking & finance disputes, enforcement of security interests, exchange control regulations, revival of sick / wound up companies, partnership disputes, tender related matters, land revenue code, pharmaceutical sector, media law & intellectual property litigations, challenges to government policy, eviction & tenancy disputes, shipping & transport related matters, labour complaints/disputes, direct & indirect taxes, securities trade & derivative actions, product liability claims, food safety & standards and testamentary matters.
- We have represented Pfizer Limited in the Hon'ble Delhi High Court in being the first to challenge the notification by the Government to India in ban over Fixed Dose Combination (FDC) drugs sold in the country including Corex (the cough syrup manufactured by Pfizer). <http://barandbench.com/breaking-del-hc-quashes-fdc-ban-pharma-cos-rejoice/>
- Representing clients such as Honeywell, TATA Group, the Lodha Group, Armstrong, the Bombay Stock Exchange etc. in both domestic as well as international arbitrations. We, have in, an international arbitration for TATA Housing secured certain ad-interim reliefs against the Government of Maldives in an extremely hostile situation arising out of the termination of a construction contract. We also recently represented a client in the real estate sector in a landmark litigation which has laid down the law in respect of the scope of judicial review and interference in matters arising out of the Income Tax Settlement Commission.

CRIMINAL MATTERS:

- Advising & handling matters pertaining to criminal proceedings/complaints, sexual harassment complaints / redressal, white collar complaints, cheque bouncing cases, instituting/defending private criminal complaints, handling FCPA related complaints & forensic investigations, handling matters before the Police & Central Bureau of Investigations, Serious Fraud Investigation Office, National Financial Reporting Authority, filing quashing petitions, complaints under the Standard Weights & Measures Act and handling criminal complaints pertaining to theft of Patent rights/copyright materials.
- Advising, handling & representing Deloitte Haskins & Sells LLP, in the ongoing investigation and proceedings initiated by the SFIO, the MCA and the NFRA against the Firm before various Fora, including the Special Court, NCLT, NCLAT, various High Courts and the Supreme Court of India.

FORA:

- Attended and appeared in hearings in the Supreme Court of India, High Courts – pan India, National Company Law Tribunal, Securities Exchange Board of India (SEBI), Securities Appellate Tribunal, Sessions Court, Magistrates, Tribunal (SAT), BIFR, AAIFR, City Civil Courts, Small Causes Courts, Enforcement Directorate, Consumer Forum, International Commercial Arbitrations and Domestic Arbitrations.

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OUR PARTNERS



RAHUL DWARKADAS

Rahul Dwarkadas leads the Dispute Resolution practice for the firm with an experience of over two decades. He handles a broad variety of disputes spanning across multiple industries such as media, pharmaceutical, real estate, corporate and banking, forensic investigations as well as white collar complaints, FCPA, employment and anti-bribery related matters. He represents a range of corporates (domestic and international) in commercial litigation and arbitration. He has a considerable experience in Supreme Court and High Court cases, as well as appearing before various tribunals across India.

Rahul has been recognized in the Top Disputes Lawyers (India) by Asian Legal Business. He has been recognized as a 'Litigation Star' for Commercial and Transactions by Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific, 'Recommended Lawyer' for White-Collar Crime by Legal500, 'Recommended Lawyer' for Litigation by RSG, 'Notable Practitioner' for Dispute Resolution by Asialaw Leading Lawyers and 'Acritas Star Lawyer' by Acritas (Thomson Reuters).

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NEVEILLE MUKERJI

Neveille Mukerji is a Partner working with the firm with an experience of over 12 years. He handles a broad variety of disputes spanning across multiple practice areas, courts, tribunals, authorities and quasi-judicial authorities. He represents clients in matters relating to economic offences and white-collar crime. In particular, he specializes in appearances before magistrates, tribunals and investigative agencies including the police. He also advises clients in relation to allegations pertaining to sexual harassment, fraud and misconduct by senior officials and theft of confidential and proprietary information.

Neveille has been recognised in the Asia Super 50 Disputes Lawyers and India's Top 30 Disputes Lawyers by Asian Legal Business.

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PRACHI DHANANI

Prachi Dhanani has over 10 years' experience in handling matters relating to Commercial Litigation, Dispute Resolution and White Collar Crime before various fora around the country. She advises and represents clients in both institutional and ad hoc international and domestic arbitrations. She has also acted for clients in connection with disputes arising from real estate, product liability related claims, wills and succession, pharma industry regulations and intellectual property matters.

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RECENT ACCOLADES

FORBES INDIA

- Recognized as a 'Top Law Firm' (below 10 years of experience) for Life Sciences & Pharmaceuticals, Mergers & Acquisitions, Joint Venture, Private Equity & Venture Capital, Real Estate & Construction, White Collar Crime and Family in the Legal Powerlist 2021.
- Recognized as a 'Top Law Firm' (below 10 years of experience) for Life Sciences & Pharmaceuticals, Mergers & Acquisitions and Private Equity & Venture Capital in the Legal Powerlist 2020.

RSG INDIA REPORT

- Ranked 15 in the Top 50 India Ranking 2019.
- Ranked 27 in the Top 40 India Ranking 2017.

CHAMBERS & PARTNERS ASIA-PACIFIC GUIDE

- Ranked in Band - 2 for Corporate/M&A (The Elite) in 2022.
- Ranked in Band - 3 for Private Equity (India) in 2022.
- Ranked in Band - 4 for Real Estate (India) in 2022.

CHAMBERS & PARTNERS GLOBAL GUIDE

- Ranked in Band - 2 for Corporate/M&A (India- The Elite) in 2022.
- Ranked in Band - 3 for Corporate/M&A (India) in 2019 to 2021.

CHAMBERS & PARTNERS HIGH NET WORTH GUIDE

- Ranked in Band - 2 for Private Wealth Law (India) in 2022.

LEGAL500 ASIA PACIFIC GUIDE

- Ranked in Tier - 2 for Private Client and White-Collar Crime (India) in 2021 and 2022.
- Ranked in Tier - 3 for Anti-trust and Competition (India) in 2022.
- Ranked in Tier - 3 for Corporate/M&A (India) in 2021 and 2022.
- Ranked in Tier - 4 for Private Equity and Investment Funds (India) in 2021 and 2022.
- Recognized as 'Firms to Watch' for Real Estate and Construction (India) in 2022.

IFLR1000

- Ranked in Tier - 4 for Mergers and Acquisitions (India) in 2022.
- Awarded 'Rising Star Firm of the Year' by IFLR1000 India Awards 2020.
- Recognized as a 'Notable Firm' for Mergers and Acquisitions (India) in 2019 to 2021.
- Ranked in Tier - 3 for Private Equity (India) in 2020 to 2022.

ASIALAW PROFILES

- Recognized as a 'Recommended Firm' for Corporate/M&A and Private Equity (India) in 2022.
- Recognized as a 'Notable Firm' for Competition and Real Estate (India) in 2022.
- Named as a 'Recognized Firm' for Dispute Resolution (India) in 2022.
- Recognized as a 'Notable Firm' for Pharmaceuticals and Life sciences, Technology and Telecommunications (India) in 2021 and 2022.

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ASIAN LEGAL BUSINESS

- Awarded 'M&A Deal of the Year (Mid-size)' by ALB India Law Awards 2022.
- Recognized as 'Boutique Law Firm of the Year' by ALB India Law Awards 2021.
- Recognized as a 'Tier 2 Firm' in M&A Rankings in 2019 to 2021.
- Recognized as 'India Firms to Watch' by Asian Legal Business 2021.
- Awarded 'Rising Law Firm of the Year' in the ALB India Law Awards 2020.

INDIA BUSINESS LAW JOURNAL

- Awarded 'Winning Law Firm' for Private Client Practice in the Indian Law Firm Awards in 2021 and 2022.
- Recognized for 'Corporate & Commercial' in the Indian Law Firm Awards in 2019 and 2020.

BENCHMARK LITIGATION ASIA-PACIFIC

- Ranked in Tier - 3 for Commercial & Transactions in 2022.
- Recognized as a 'Notable Firm' for International Arbitration, Government & Regulatory in 2022.
- Ranked in Tier - 4 for Commercial & Transactions in 2020 and 2021.
- Recognized as a 'Notable Firm' for Construction in 2020 to 2022.
- Recognized as a 'Recommended Firm' for White Collar Crime in 2020 to 2022.

BUSINESS WORLD

- Awarded 'Private Equity Firm of the Year' by the Business World Global Legal Summit and Legal Leaders Awards 2021.
- Awarded 'Pharma & Life Science Law Firm of the Year' by the Business World Legal Leaders Awards 2019.

LEGAL ERA

- Awarded 'Most Promising Law Firm of the Year (3 years & above)' in the Legal Era Indian Legal Awards 2019-2020.

LEAGUE TABLE RANKINGS

MERGERMARKET

- Ranked No. 8 by deal count in the Mergermarket M&A (India) Legal Advisory League Table 2021.

BLOOMBERG

- Ranked No. 7 by deal count and No. 13 by deal volume for India Announced Deals in the Bloomberg Global M&A Legal Rankings 2021.

VENTURE INTELLIGENCE

- Ranked No. 9 by deal value and No. 10 by deal count in the Venture Intelligence M&A League Table 2021.
- Ranked No. 11 by deal value and No. 20 by deal count in the Venture Intelligence Private Equity League Table 2021.
- Ranked No. 9 by deal value and No. 10 by deal count for Healthcare & Life Sciences in the Venture Intelligence M&A League Table 2021.
- Ranked No. 9 by deal value and No. 10 by deal count (M&A) and Ranked No. 11 by deal value (PE) for Hotel & Resorts in the Venture Intelligence League Table 2021.
- Ranked No. 11 by deal value for Food & Beverages in the Venture Intelligence Private Equity League Table 2021.

REFINITIV

- Ranked No. 16 (Asia Pacific Advisors) in the Refinitiv Global Private Equity and Venture Capital League Table 2021.
- Ranked No. 20 (Asia Pacific Advisors) in the Refinitiv Global Small-Cap M&A Legal Advisory League Table 2021.

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