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Objective

To achieve an established position as in legal fraternity by working in a leading company where my skills and experience can be effectively utilized by a company offering long-term opportunities for professional growth in recognition of dedication and superior performance.

Work Experience

Legal Counsel & Board Secretary Gulf Energy S.A.O.C. Muscat, Oman.

November 2016 – March 2019

Served as in-house Legal Counsel & Board Secretary for a closed joint stock oil & gas service company Gulf Energy S.A.O.C., which is a subsidiary of NESR Corp, a NASDAQ listed company, having international operations in various countries, where I was responsible for handling & managing all legal matters of Gulf Energy S.A.O.C. & its various subsidiaries which scope of work includes:

- Provide legal advice & strategy while anticipating, managing and reducing areas of legal and business risk.
- Draft & review MOU, NDA, JV, agency agreement, licensing agreements, notices, amendments and various other agreements.
- Review and negotiate oil and gas contracts and subcontracts.
- Provide legal support and advice to the various internal departments including operations, finance, HR & external auditors.
- Manage dispute resolution proceedings between the company and third parties with the assistance of external counsel as needed.
- Advise board of directors & shareholders on shareholding and corporate governance matters.
- Research on local laws, regulations, and policies that affect the Company and to ensure compliance
- Provide secretarial support to the board of directors & shareholders of the Company by
 organizing the board of directors and shareholders meetings for the Company and
 ensure compliance with corporate law & governance.
- Prepare and document the minutes of board & shareholders meetings, resolutions, maintain membership records, and performs other related duties.

In addition to above, I have assisted in all the corporate legal matters involved in the acquisition of the Gulf Energy SAOC by NESR, a NASDAQ listed company.

Legal Consultant

ZeusIP Advocates L.L.P. New Delhi, India.

August 2014- July 2016

Served as Legal Consultant in a corporate & IPR law firm, responsible for advising, handling & managing international & domestic clients by providing end to end support.

- Drafting & negotiating contracts.
- Assisting on regulatory compliance matters.
- Negotiating with third parties on contractual issues and legal disputes.
- Performing due diligence in legal matters concerning contracts, and mergers and Acquisitions.
- Conducting trademark searches and clearances for the availability of trademarks.
- Handling prosecution of the IP applications and maintenance of the IP rights.
- Handling trademark opposition and cancellation/deregistration proceedings.
- Providing IP advice on selection of trademarks.
- Handing IP transactional matters including contracts, assignment and agreements.

Internships

- 1. Kochhar & Co, New Delhi. (corporate)
 - Research on Liquidated Damages clause for Joint Venture Agreements.
 - Research on Employment Contracts.
 - Scrutiny on raising public shareholding in listed companies.
 - Research on norms & guidelines for Journalistic Conduct.
 - Review of JV agreements.
- 2. Dua Associates, New Delhi (litigation)
 - Drafted rejoinder for writ petition filled in High Court.
 - Prepared case notes on cases pertaining to payment of pension and other benefits entitled on the termination of service under Service Law.
- 3. Anand and Anand (IPR)
- 4. Universal Legal/ The Chugh Firm (corporate)

- 5. Chambers of K.T.S Tulsi, New Delhi (litigation)
- 6. Global Legal Associates (corporate)
- 7. Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance Company Limited. (corporate)
- 8. Dua Associates (corporate)
- 9. Chambers of Indu Malhotra, Supreme Court of India (litigation)
- 10. Steel Authority of India Limited (corporate)
- 11. Madhya Pradesh Human Rights Commission (NGO)
- 12. Grasim Industries, Aditya Birla Group. (corporate)
- 13. Rural Litigation and Entitlement Kendra (NGO)
- 14. Laad Associates (litigation)

Academic Qualification

- BBA.LL.B (May 2014) NLC, Bharati Vidyapeeth University, Pune.
- Diploma in Taxation Laws (May 2013) NLC, Bharati Vidyapeeth University, Pune.
- Diploma in Corporate Laws (July2010) Asian School of cyber laws, Pune.
- Diploma in Cyber Law (January 2009) Asian School of Cyber Laws, Pune.
- Higher Secondary Certificate, 10+2 (May 2008)

Key Skills

Contract Negotiation, Contract Management, Corporate Generalist, Joint Ventures, Intellectual Property (Trademarks), Competition Law, Drafting, Corporate Governance Legal Compliance, Due Diligence & Licensing

Seminar & Conferences

- Participated in international Seminar on Judicial Reforms organized by India International Law Foundation.
- Participated in Justice Verma Committee on recommendations for rape law.
- Attended seminar on 'Rights of Women' organized by Justice Sunanda Bhandare Foundation.
- Attended seminar on 'Equality for Women' organized by Shashi Tharoor & Chief Justice Hon. Justice Altamas Kabir.

Personal Details

Nationality – Indian

Residence – Sabah Salem, Kuwait. Languages – English & Hindi