

Ankur Raheja [MCA • FCS • LLB • B.Com(H)]

CURRENT ROLE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Lawyer & Cyber Law Consultant (<i>since February 2005</i>)➤ Domain Dispute Arbitrator with .IN Registry, India (<i>since October 2014</i>)
QUALIFICATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Masters in Computers from Maharishi Dayanand University [REDACTED]➤ Oracle Certification from Oracle University [REDACTED]➤ Bachelors of Law from Delhi University [REDACTED]➤ Company Secretary course from Institute of Company Secretaries of India [REDACTED]➤ Bachelor of Commerce (Honors) from Delhi University [REDACTED]
PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ As an Advocate with Bar Council of Delhi since Feb 2005 (<i>Bar Council Regn no D/93/2005</i>)➤ Fellow Member of Institute of Company Secretaries of India since April 2004 (<i>Membership no FCS-6258</i>)

I am confident of my abilities to be able to actively participate and contribute as an volunteer with CCT-RT, based on my credentials that include extensive law practice for 10 years backed by a strong academic background that include Master’s degree in Computers, Company Secretary ship and Bachelors of Law, that provides me an edge based on my in-depth understanding of techno-legal domain.

I have been into legal practice since 2005 providing consultancy in matters relating to Cyber Law including Cyber Law Compliance of websites, Cyber Crime Advisory, Online issues as to Trademarks, Copyrights & Domain Names, Cyber Defamation and also provide consultancy as to formation of Technology companies.

In 2014, got placed as a “.IN” Domain Dispute Panelist / Arbitrator by “.IN” Registry and have presided over as an Arbitrator in the matter of JaguarLandRover.co.in, MentosIndia.co.in and CarDekho.co.in.

a. Cyberlaw experience

- Have ten years of experience in legal field handling legal vetting and drafting of Corporate, Commercial & Technology agreements, Memorandum of Understanding, Deeds, Trademark/Copyrights and Litigation, mainly for Technology Companies.
- Providing Cyber Law Consultancy including legal opinion as to new online ventures, Advisory on Domain Registry agreements with Domain registrar/Domain registrants, Electronic evidence archival, Domain Name consultancy & Cyber Law compliance.

- Advising in terms of various compliances under Information Technology Act & Rules thereunder including Intermediary compliances, good security practices/ISO 27001, proper terms of use, disclaimer & Privacy Policy, Blocking of Websites, etc.
- Made HongKong based .IN Registrar OnlineNIC (when served with Legal Notice) to discontinue providing WHOIS proxy/protection service on .IN Domain Names in violation of .IN Registrar Agreement in May, 2014.
- Carried cyber-crime investigation for clients including Cyber Defamation matters involving websites operated under false WHOIS information including tracking down of real owners through extensive online investigation. On occasions, it included working with local enforcement agencies and suspension of domain names.
- Ensured cyber law compliance of websites in terms of Information Technology and other relevant Laws which includes providing for web policies for the websites for over 50 websites.
- In January 2015, drafted a marketing contract for a client to be entered with different Registries including “.biz”, “.co” and some new gTLDs including .club, .desi, .website, .press, etc for marketing of gTLDs in combination with Email.biz services.
- Answered legal issues/queries of online visitors including cyber crime victims, affected by Social Media posts, profile hacking/personation issues.

b. IPR & Domain Disputes

- Actively involved in Trademark related work from registration of Trademark to filing opposition for the protection of client’s Trademark and securing of Trademark registration certificates.
- Handled Domain Disputes Resolution matters under ICANN's UDRP policy for clients in the matters involving Blaupunkt.biz [WIPO Case number D2012-0147], LeeCooper.biz [WIPO Case number D2013-0537], SidMallya.com [WIPO Case number D2014-1262], SandcIndia.com [NAF Claim number: FA1412001592719], Tumblr.biz & Tumbler.biz [NAF Claim number: FA1403001546767] and SidMallya.in [INDRP/615] under .IN Domain Dispute Resolution Policy.
- In the matter of SandcIndia.com [National Arbitration Forum (NAF) Claim number: FA1412001592719 dated 02 January 2015], successfully got the name of the Respondent Company redacted from the decision, based upon strong representation.
- Mediated between the clients and the Trademark holders claiming rights to the Domain Names amicably. Also Helped clients taking injunction against transfer of Domain Name ordered in a UDRP decision in various Indian courts including Y8.org [WIPO case number D2014-0632], Sidmallya.com and Tumbler.biz.
- Protection of Trademark in relation to Domain Names as well in the form of Domain Dispute matters. Also advised clients as to selection of Domain Names and Company Name carefully after analyzing previous registered Trademarks and the resulting conflicts.
- Helped secured copyrights registration, issued cease & desist letters for copyright violations and also well versed with tools to detect plagiarism.

- Moderated legal panel discussion on Domain Name Disputes at DomainX 2014 conference held at Hyderabad in September 2014, the esteemed legal panel included WIPO Panelist Mr. Pavan Duggal, WIPO/INDRP Panelist Mrs. Harini Narayanswamy and INDRP Panelist Mr. Rodney Ryder. And also again moderated in August 2015 at DomainX 2015, the esteemed legal panel included Mr. Rodney Ryder, Mr. Na. Vijayashankar and Mr. Zak Muscovitch from Canada.

c. Technical Knowledge:

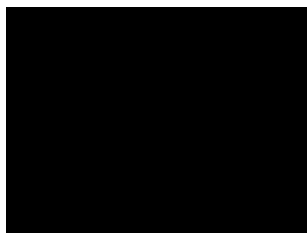
- Have technical knowledge of IPs and nameservers including custom nameservers and the Domain Name System as a whole. Well versed with website designing technology, including good practical knowledge of HTML, CSS, PHP, MySQL database and Wordpress customization.

d. Other Legal Experience:

- Represented clients in various other litigation matters at District Courts in cyber matters like Defamation, Blocking of Website, Injunction and in Consumer Courts against DELL (reported by Economic Times Delhi on 3 August 2009), High Technology Solutions (for use of Pirated SAP software), Panasonic, Hyundai, Citibank, Infomedia Yellow Pages, Reliance Communications (including application U/s 340 Cr. PC), Living Media India/Bag IT Today, SIFY, ONIDA, etc.
- In 2006, won consumer case against SIFY Broadband (Ankur Raheja V SIFY Broadband) for Technical Deficiency in Service, published in India's No 1 daily - Times Of India (dated 5 December 2006 on Pg. 3), quoted as "it is for the first time technical deficiency in service... has been taken on record by a court". Also covered by other leading newspapers Hindu, Telegraph, Today and numerous websites during Nov-Dec 2006.
- Helped clients with various registration matters including Society/NGO formation, Call Center/BPO Licensing, Company formation.
- Addressed social issues linked to Cybercrime & Consumer protection including help to the victims of fraud e-commerce websites and transactions.

h. As a Volunteer:

- Member of ICANN's Intellectual Property Constituency and the Internet Society.
- Helped Delhi Police in CyberLaw & Cyber Crime Investigation awareness.
- Volunteer at Art Of Living Foundation.



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