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Profile

Nishant is a Senior Partner in the Dispute Resolution practice group. He is a seasoned arbitration specialist focusing on complex and high-value disputes, notably claims in delay and breach in construction contracts, oil and gas contracts, supply contracts and transfer of technology.

Nishant has extensively acted for Indian public sector undertakings (PSU) in international and domestic commercial arbitrations involving claims in excess of INR 1000 crores. He has also represented prominent domestic and foreign clients (including several Fortune Global 500 cos.) on post M&A, joint venture, and shareholder disputes, before the world's leading arbitration centers, including Singapore and London.

In addition to his arbitration practice, Nishant regularly handles complex civil, commercial, and regulatory matters in various courts across the country. He regularly appears before various Statutory Tribunals, State High Courts, and the Supreme Court of India.

Expertise

Dispute Resolution

Aviation

Publications

[COVID-19 : A Force Majeure Event Or Simply A Pandemic?, Mondaq, April 2020](#)

[Has Supreme Court Taken A Step Back In Its Recent Judgment In "Nafed Vs. Alimenta S.A."?, Livelaw.in, May 2020](#)

[India's Stand on Emergency Arbitrators and Emergency Awards](#)

[India: Change of Seat of Arbitration by Mutual Agreement](#)

Awards & Recognitions

Recognised among India's 'Top 100 Lawyers' by FORBES Legal Powerlist 2020; felicitated for expertise in Litigation & Arbitration

Recommended Lawyer for Dispute Resolution and Aviation Law by Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2021

Education

- LL.B, Campus Law Centre, University of Delhi, 1998

Memberships

- Bar Council of Delhi, 1998

Select Experience Statement

- Appeared for a leading voice and speech recognition company in a post- acquisition dispute, stemming from a corporate deal in two distinct arbitrations-initiated in India, and Singapore. The stakes involved were estimated at about US \$ 36 million (INR 240 crore).
- Represented a leading Swedish auto-components manufacturer in an ICC arbitration initiated by its Indian JV partner being aggrieved by termination of the shareholders agreement.
- Represented one of India's largest engineering and construction groups in an international arbitration initiated by a UAE-based construction company under the ICC rules at the Mumbai Centre for International Arbitration, relating to an offshore process platform in Mumbai.
- Successfully defended one of India's largest Oil & Gas PSU in a highly critical arbitration matter arising from termination of a high-value contract for construction of effluent treatment plant cum water injection plants.
- Represented one of India's largest telecom tower companies in high-stake legal proceedings in court as well as in arbitration against two major Indian telecom companies (now under liquidation). The total amount involved in these matters was more than INR 500 crores.
- Handled a landmark matter under the 1940 Arbitration Act before two state High Courts and the Supreme Court where law was laid down on the territorial jurisdiction of the High Court.
- Advised an American multinational technology conglomerate in relation to injunction and damages lawsuit against a former employee regarding theft of commercially invaluable proprietary technology.
- Handled a very high stake and contentious shareholders dispute that started before the erstwhile Company Law Board and concluded before the Supreme Court which laid down the test for oppression and mismanagement under the Companies Act 1956.
- Appeared in one of the most hotly contested trademarks matter between a leading Indian domestic liquor manufacturer company and a well-known foreign liquor manufacturing company before two state High Courts and the Supreme Court.

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