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# NLUJ 1<sup>ST</sup> CONCLAVE ON IP LAW & PRACTICE

# THEME: Artificial Intelligence and Patents; Transactional IP; Career Guidance on **Practice of IP**

(Date: January 30, 2023)

# **DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS**



Mr. Subhash Bhutoria, Partner, DSK Legal



Mr. Adarsh Ramanujan **Independent Counsel,** Law Chambers of Adarsh Ramanujan

**EVENT COORDINATOR** MR. ARUNABHA BANERJEE Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, NLU Jodhpur

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## ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY: NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, JODHPUR

National Law University, Jodhpur ("NLUJ") is a premier national law school of global repute imparting quality education in India. The University is established under the National Law University, Jodhpur, Act, 1999, enacted by the Rajasthan State Legislature. It is dedicated to academic excellence and value education. NLUJ frequently offers training programmes, seminars and workshops at the national and international level to students, judicial officers, advocates, corporate and government officials in various subjects. NLUJ has 27 centres of academic excellence in various areas of law and their intersections. Honourable Vice Chancellor Madam Prof. Dr. Poonam Pradhan Saxena has led from the front and provided all manner of support to quality academic programmes.

#### **ABOUT THE ORGANISERS: NLUJ-CIPS**

The Centre for IP Studies ("CIPS") at National Law University Jodhpur, is a centre of academic excellence focussed on creating a niche space for research in intellectual property. It is headed by Dr. Rohan Cherian Thomas, Executive Director, CIPS, who is assisted by two faculty advisors, Mr. Arunabha Banerjee and Ms. Kanika Dhingra. CIPS engages with the community and creates avenues for spreading awareness in Intellectual Property. Its combination of motivated faculty and students aims to make the domain of intellectual property accessible to all through its initiatives. As a part of its dedicated Centre activities intended to promote research and studies in the field of Intellectual Property Rights, the Centre has taken the initiative to organise the conclave. The Centre monitors, designs and disseminates various courses and programmes pertaining to training and research in Intellectual Property Rights.

#### **ABOUT THE CONCLAVE**

The conclave will feature a training workshop on transactional IP, discourse on the contemporary patenting issues involving artificial intelligence ("AI") as an inventor and round off with a session where the speakers will address IP career related questions from participants.

#### THEME

- 1. Transactional IP
- 2. AI and Patents
- 3. Career Guidance on IP Practice

#### SCHEDULE OF SESSIONS

Session 1	11 am - 12:30 pm
Session 2 (Speaker will be	2:30 pm - 4:00pm
streamed online at the venue)	
Session 3	4:30-5:30

The last 30 minutes of Session 1 and 2 will be devoted to Q&A.

# **DETAILS OF SESSIONS:**

The first session will deal with transactional IP, throw light on the challenges faced by a lawyer in handling IP transactions (e.g. IP due diligence) and propose practical solutions in overcoming them. The speaker will demonstrate these solutions by drawing upon his extensive experience in corporate and contentious IP practice.

Keynote Speaker: Mr. Subhash Bhutoria, Partner, DSK Legal

The second session (speaker to be streamed online at the venue) on AI and patent will cover the legal issues arising from naming AI as an inventor in patent applications from the perspective of the applicant as well as the challenges faced in examination of such patent applications. The discourse will feature an insight into the recent cases which have attracted plenty of controversy as well as debate in the legal fraternity.

Keynote Speaker: Mr. Adarsh Ramanujan, Independent Counsel, Law Chambers of Adarsh Ramanujan

The third session will provide an opportunity to the conclave participants to engage with the speakers and seek guidance on IP career related questions. **Keynote Speakers: Mr. Adarsh Ramanujan and Mr. Subhash Bhutoria** 

### **ABOUT THE SPEAKERS**

# **SESSION 1 AND 3**

MR. SUBHASH BHUTORIA B.Sc. LL.B. (IPR Hons.) Partner DSK Legal, New Delhi Registered Trademark Agent, India Arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Art, Netherlands



MR. SUBHASH BHUTORIA is a seasoned IP and Art lawyer. Before joining, DSK Legal, Subhash was leading the IP and Art law team at Luthra and Luthra Law Offices India. In a career spanning over 14 years, Subhash has worked with leading lawyers and firms including Lall & Sethi, Lakshmi Kumaran & Sridharan Attorneys and had founded the IP and art law practice at the firm, Krida Legal. In his career spanning over 14 years, Subhash has represented clients from diverse fields. Besides mainstream IP practice i.e. trademark and other IP filings and prosecution, oppositions and conflicts, Subhash specialises in IP due diligence, IP disputes and enforcement strategies. He regularly appears before the Courts and Tribunals across India and has conducted numerous anti-counterfeiting and antipiracy raids. Subhash has developed a team of dynamic IP lawyers and paralegals, which assist him closely on IP and other areas of his practice. Besides his professional commitments, Subhash is a member of the International Trademark Association (ADR Committee), European Community Trademark Association and IP Forum, FICCI. He is an arbitrator with the Court of Arbitration of Art, Netherlands and also with the Hyderabad Arbitration Centre. He is also the legal advisor to the International Delphic Council. He is regularly invited by universities and business associations for sessions/guest lectures on intellectual property law and practice and art law.

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## **SESSION 2 AND 3**

MR. ADARSH RAMANUJAN LL.M, University of California, Berkeley, USA B.Sc. LLB (IPR Hons.), Gold Medalist, National Law University, Jodhpur

(Speaker to be streamed online at the venue)

MR. ADARSH RAMANUJAN is an attorney with a diverse practice area, focusing primarily on litigation. Adarsh has an LL.M from the University of California, Berkeley, USA and is a gold medalist holding a B.Sc. LL. B (Hons.) degree, from National Law University, Jodhpur, India. Adarsh is dual qualified to practice law in India and the State of California (USA). He is admitted as a Fellow at the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London. Adarsh is also a Registered Patent Agent in India. Adarsh's areas of practice include IP, information technology, data protection and privacy laws, legal metrology, open source consulting, drugs, cosmetics and medical device regulations, biotech regulations, biodiversity and environmental laws. He has also handled domestic arbitrations, international disputes, regulatory litigation, competition law matters, contractual and commercial disputes. Adarsh has represented clients in in several high-stakes IP disputes across the Supreme Court, the Delhi High Court, Chennai High Court and the Patent Office/IPAB. He has also spent 3 years as a Partner of a law firm in Geneva, handling international disputes. Adarsh is one of the youngest counsels to represent sovereign governments before the WTO. He has also consulted on FTAs. Adarsh is also the author of the Book "PATENT LAW: CASES AND MATERIALS: A SYNTHESIS FOR INDIA", revised edition (2021) published by Thomson Reuters, with a foreword from Hon'ble Ms. Justice Prathiba Singh and an Afterword of Appreciation from Dr. Abhishek Manu Singhvi, apart from 8 other Senior Advocates across India. He also has more than 40 national and international publications to his credit, including in the areas of IP, International Law, Arbitration & Tax. Adarsh was previously a Joint Partner with Lakshmikumaran & Sridharan, a full-service law firm, headquartered in New Delhi.

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# **ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION**

- i. The participation is open to a maximum of 100 Participants on first come first served basis other than the NLUJ students.
- Students pursuing three or five year integrated law course or any other science /technology based courses may apply. The workshop is also open to academicians and industry professionals.
- All participants will be awarded an e-Certificate on attending all three sessions of the conclave.

## **TERMS OF PARTICIPATION**

- i. Participants must take their conclave seats at least 15 minutes prior to the start of each session.
- All external participants must arrange for their own travel and accommodation. On successful completion of registration, the organizing team will share a list of travel and accommodation options which may be consulted only for information purposes.
- iii. Lunch will be provided to external participants.

# **REGISTRATION DETAILS**

- The expression of interest can be done through a Google form by 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2023, by 11:59 pm by registering in this <u>link</u> or <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScK4XFsAgk5jqjMCC13uerdqZOsS</u> jfJstjX60hfXPDKEY\_38Q/viewform?usp=sf\_link.
- ii. **First 100 applicants** will receive an email by 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2023, for making the requisite payment for completion of registration process.
- iii. Each applicant shall be required to pay a **registration amount** of:

a. Rs. 250 for students and researchers, and

- b. Rs. 500 for academicians, industry professionals and practitioners only after they are notified about the selection for the workshop.
- The registration amount must be paid by 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2023, by 11:59 pm. iv.
- Each entry shall pay the registration fee through the following link: v. http://www.nlujodhpur.ac.in/fee.php by choosing "Payment Other than semester Fee" Option and specifying the purpose of payment as "NLUJ IPLP CONCLAVE".
- Once the payment is made, the payment receipt should be mailed at: vi. cips@nlujodhpur.ac.in by 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2023, by 11:59PM for confirmation and completion of registration process. The subject of the email shall be "Registration Receipt for NLUJ IPLP CONCLAVE". The email shall also specifically include the Name of the participant, year and course (if applicable), Name of the University/Organisation/ Affiliation, and Contact details (Phone Number and Email Id).

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Last Date for Expression of Interest: 13th January, 2023 by 11:59 PM.

Notification of Selection: 14th January, 2023, by 11:59PM.

**Registration and Payment of Registration Fee:** 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2023, by 11:59 PM.

Email with Payment Receipt for Confirmation: 16th January, 2023 by 11:59 PM.

Conclave Date: 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2023.

## **PATRON**

Prof. Dr. Poonam Pradhan Saxena Hon'ble Vice Chancellor National Law University, Jodhpur

## **PROGRAM COORDINATOR**

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