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Practice Areas

Disputes

Sectors

Banking & Financial Services

Construction and Engineering

Energy – Power & Hydrocarbons

Manufacturing

Services

About

Ananya's practice focuses on Corporate & Commercial Litigation and Dispute Resolution; with a particular focus on Construction & Engineering, Oil & Gas, Infrastructure and Roads' Project contracts.

In addition, he represents the interests of the Firm's clients before the Supreme Court of India, High Courts and Tribunals, and provides legal advice on diverse issues pertaining to litigious aspects of transactions and agreements.

Ananya also represents clients in arbitrations, both domestic and international, and court proceedings involving disputes arising out shareholder and joint venture agreements.

Ananya has considerable experience in the field of Alternate Dispute Resolution, having done his Masters in Law from the London School of Economics with a specialization therein. Ananya was recognized in the Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2017 editorial as a 'Recommended Lawyer'.

Ananya has been practicing law since 2003. Before joining JSA, he was a chamber junior of Mr. K.K. Venugopal, Senior Advocate.

Experience

Some of the key assignments handled and being handled by Ananya amongst others, cover the following:-

- Advised and acted on behalf of one of India's largest Construction and Engineering companies in an arbitration arising out of an EPC Contract for setting up of a Captive (Cogeneration) Power Plant as part of a Naphtha Cracker Plant being set up by an Indian PSU at Panipat.
- Advised and acted on behalf of a leading Korean company in an ICC arbitration in relation to disputes arising between it and an Indian PSU, out of turnkey contracts for supply, laying and commissioning of underground cables.
- Advised and acted on behalf of one of India's largest Engineering & Construction companies in arbitration proceedings pertaining to disputes arising out of an EPC Contract for construction of Balance of Plant for a 1200MW Super Thermal Power Project.
- Advising and acting on behalf of an Italian oil and gas major in arbitration proceedings against an Indian PSU in relation to disputes arising out of a Production Sharing Contract and a Joint Operating Agreement;
- Advised and acted on behalf of a major national civil engineering company in multiple arbitrations proceedings against governmental authorities/PSUs, in a matter relating to disputes arising out of contracts in relation to hydropower and road projects, concession agreements and other infrastructure contract.
- Advising and acting on behalf of the Founder / Promoter of a leading solar power company in relation to multiple disputes and arbitrations arising out of (i) Put Option under a Shareholders' Agreement (SIAC) and (ii) Transition and severance benefits under an Employment / Transition Agreement (MCIA), entered into with the counter-parties;
- Advised a multi-national sportswear company as co-counsel in LCIA arbitration, where the dispute involved enforcement of a call option under a Shareholders' Agreement; and acted for them before the Delhi High Court in challenge proceedings against the award passed by the Arbitral Tribunal.
- Advised and acted on behalf of the Industrial Development Corporation of an Indian State in multiple matters before the Supreme Court of India concerning Section 397 & 398 of the Companies Act, 1956.
- Advised and acted on behalf of minority shareholders of a leading Indian fire solutions company in proceedings before the National Company Law Tribunal, where the matter involved opposing a put option invoked by the majority shareholders of the company.
- Advising and acting on behalf of a US headquartered investment fund, before the Bombay High Court and the National Company Law Tribunal, New Delhi, in relation to disputes arising out of a Debenture Subscription Agreement entered into with a large Indian real-estate company.

Memberships

Bar Council of Delhi

Supreme Court Bar Association

International Bar Association

Publications

Co-authored a chapter titled “Arbitration & the Conundrum of Limitation” in a book published by Nani Palkhiwala Arbitration Centre and Oakbridge Publishing titled “Repositioning India for Arbitration: Envisioning an Empowered Nation” (2018).

Co-authored the India Chapter in the 6th Edition of ‘Global Legal Insights – Litigation & Dispute Resolution (2017-18)’

“All or nothing disputes may belong to the past” published in The Statesman on 30 April 2020

“Due Process Paranoia” published in The Statesman on 22 November 2018

“More action needed to ease contractors’ liquidity crisis” (co-authored), published in India Business Law Journal, on 17 August 2018

“A Counter Intuitive Step” published in The Statesman on 09 August 2018

Speaker –Webinar on Contract Management for Punjab Water Project, organized by the World Bank Group (June 2020)

Speaker - Virtual Workshop on ‘Contract Management During Emergency Situation’, organised by the World Bank Group and All India Management Association (April 2020)

Speaker – ICC India Arbitration Conference 2019 (Bengaluru), Panel on Key Developments in the Indian Arbitration Scenario.

Speaker - International Bar Association Annual Conference 2018 (Rome), Panel on Joint Venture Disputes in the Construction Sector.

Education

B.A., LL. B (Hons.), National Law School of India University, Bangalore (2003)

LL. M, London School of Economic & Political Science, UK (2006)

Languages Spoken

English

Hindi
