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Professional Summary:

Jidesh is the Managing Partner and Co-Founder of KSK. He initially focused on intellectual property laws, with an emphasis on trademarks and copyrights. Over time, he expanded his expertise to general corporate and commercial work, assisting and advising multinational companies on various legal issues affecting their operations in India, including regulatory work, due diligence, and transfer of technology.

He also dabbles with highly complex and high stakes litigation strategy with a focus on investigations and white collar defence and arbitration and has represented some of the largest corporations before courts and arbitrations both domestic and international.

Representative Clients :

Some of the clients that Jidesh advises include Tyco – Johnson Controls, Bosch, Phone Pe, Essilor, Quest Global, Lenovo, Siemens, Herbalife, Peepul Capital, Aditya Birla, Renault, Greaves Ltd, Nissan Motors, Expleo, Axles Inc etc.

Relevant Recent Experience:

- Successfully strategised and secured Directors of an Indian technology distributor conglomerate in multiple legal proceedings and multiple jurisdictions in criminal proceedings initiated in respect of a data breach and data manipulation related criminal investigations.
- Strategised and advised an Australian fintech's co-founder and employees in securing criminal defence against Cyber Crime and Economic Offences registered by the opposing founders.
- Advised some of the leading MNCs on ring fencing their leadership against risks emanating from proceedings and investigations by Indian law enforcement, including Enforcement Directorate and SFIO agencies.

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Areas of Practice:

IPR

Corporate &

Commercial Regulatory

Litigation & Arbitration

White Collar Defence

Education:

BA, LLB, University
Law College, Bangalore

MBL, National Law
School, Bangalore

Affiliations:

Karnataka High Court Bar
Association,
International Bar
Association (IBA),
Indian Venture Capital
Association, CII, FICCI,
ASSOCHAM

Intellectual Property

- Advised several multinational companies on documentation/contracts regarding intellectual property such as trademark license agreements, software-licensing contracts, transfer of technology agreements, confidentiality agreements.
- Led the Litigation relating to Trademarks, Copyrights, Data flow, advice on availability and registration of trade marks in India, domain name registration and undertakes procedural work relating to the filing of domain name, trade mark, patent and copyright applications.
- Led the team for major global re-branding projects for two world leaders in the consulting field, as well as a German multinational energy concern and subsequent global trademark filing work.
- Co-ordination of global and Asian trademark portfolios for various clients, including US-based global market leaders in the computer industry, a Japanese

Litigation Matters:

- Represented Nissan Motors in a landmark litigation before the Supreme Court;
- Represented Essilor France in a dispute involving its joint venture partner being arbitrated in Bangalore.
- Represented HPCL before the Supreme Court in a INR 450 million dispute.
- Successfully represented of Caterpillar India before the Chennai High Court involving a INR 350 million arbitration dispute.
- Successfully represented of Axles Inc. a US corporation before an arbitration tribunal at Chennai involving INR 75 million. The dispute involved appearing before various higher and lower courts in Chennai.
- Successfully represented Chennai Container Terminal before the high court in Chennai.
- Successfully represented of Greaves Ltd. Before the Chennai High Court involving an arbitration dispute.
- Represented a host of life insurance companies on landmark matters including Metlife, Aviva, Max life etc.

- Represented Österreichische Kabelmerke Gesellschaft mbh (a Siemens company) in an arbitration matter in Singapore under the aegis of the SIAC;
- Provided legal support to clients such as Acuson Corporation, Air Liquide International, Barclays Bank Plc, Dun & Bradstreet Corporation, Esso Singapore Pte. Ltd. and Toshiba Corporation in disputes pending in Indian Courts/Fora and also International Chamber of Commerce for Arbitration in Geneva.
- Represented multinational companies and non-profit organizations, including the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies in construction projects in India, drafted and negotiated MoUs, Project Consultancy Agreements and agreements with sub-contractors and provided advice on Indian laws relating to contracts, damages, arbitration, etc.
- Represented a large multinational Japanese company in the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) arbitration proceedings in London for claim of damages arising out of a joint venture agreement with a well-known Indian industrial house.

General Advisory

- Advised clients on establishing a presence in India, especially on issues relating to obtaining regulatory approvals from the Secretariat for Industrial Assistance, the Reserve Bank of India, the Ministry of Home Affairs and other Government authorities, including preparing applications for various regulatory approvals.
- Advised a multinational pharmaceutical company with regard to the establishment of a wholly owned subsidiary for manufacturing and distributing pharmaceutical products in India.
- Advised on issues relating to the Companies Act and drafting and review of Memorandum and Articles of Association of companies.
- Advised a multinational company regarding the procedure for importing and setting up of a gasification and piping facility in India. Advised multinational pharmaceutical company with regard to the establishment of a wholly owned subsidiary for manufacturing and distributing pharmaceutical products in India.