

PARTNER, DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Navod Prasannan

King Stubb & Kasiva · Tamil Nadu | Kerala

OVERVIEW

Profile

Navod Prasannan is a distinguished courtroom advocate and commercial strategist with over 16 years of post-qualification experience in high-stakes dispute resolution. He specialises in navigating complex legal landscapes across three major Indian High Courts, Madras, Kerala and Andhra Pradesh, and a comprehensive range of specialised national tribunals including NCLT, NCLAT, DRT, DRAT, NGT, RERA, FSSAI Appellate Tribunal, EPFAT, CAT, KAT, Consumer Commissions and multiple Arbitral Tribunals.

He has conducted more than 400 trials in commercial and civil litigation before the Original Side of the Hon'ble Madras High Court and Subordinate Courts, including Commercial Courts in Tamil Nadu and Kerala. He regularly appears before the Commercial Court and Intellectual Property Division of the Madras High Court and has successfully defended Section 34 and Section 37 appeals under the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996.

CAPABILITIES

Practice Focus

Commercial Litigation

Commercial suits, injunctions, summary judgments, shareholder disputes, contract.

Arbitration

Section 9, 11, 34 and 37 proceedings; enforcement of arbitral awards.

Banking & SARFAESI

DRT and DRAT litigation, recovery proceedings, securitisation challenges.

Constitutional & Regulatory

High Court writ litigation involving company, labour, service and education law.

APPEARANCES

Forums & Jurisdictions

HIGH COURTS

Madras · Kerala · Andhra Pradesh · Telangana · Karnataka

TRIBUNALS

NCLT · NCLAT · DRT · DRAT · NGT · FSSAI AT · RERA · EPFAT · CAT · KAT · TNREAT

COMMISSIONS

Consumer Commissions · Human Rights Commission · Minority Commission · Lok Adalat · Lokayukta

LABOUR / OTHER

CGIT · Labour Courts · MSME Council · Arbitral Tribunals · Subordinate Courts

APPOINTMENTS

Visiting Faculty & Appointments

Vinayaka Mission Law School
Arbitration

ICSI, Inst. of Company Secretaries
Various subjects

Appointed Mediator & Arbitrator
Available for commercial & civil disputes



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KEY FACTS

16+

YEARS PQE

2010

ENROLLMENT

5

HIGH COURTS

15+

TRIBUNALS & FORUMS

18+

REPORTED JUDGMENTS

120+

DIRECTORS, CA BATCH

200+

CANDIDATES, SSC BATCH

40+

COMPANIES, WAGE BATCH

STANDING COUNSEL & PANEL

Standing Counsel

Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.
Madras High Court

Panel Counsel

Karur Vysya Bank
DRT & Civil, Chennai

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

2021

Outstanding Young Person
Junior Chamber International India

2018

Young Professional of the Year
Cochin Herald Magazine

EXPERIENCE

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Reported Caselaws & Recent Matters

24 MATTERS

#	Matter · Citation	Court	Year	Area · Role
01	Director Disqualification Batch WP(C) 21628/2020 + 82 WPs, Ss.164(2) & 167(1) CA 2013	Kerala HC (Justice N. Nagaresh)	2018-21	Company / Constitutional Lead, 120+ Directors
02	SSC Constable GD Exam Batch WP(C) 24526/2020 + 44 WPs, 2018/2019/2021 Exams	Kerala High Court	2020-21	Service / Constitutional Lead, 200+ Candidates
03	Kerala Wage Protection System ~40 WPs, Kerala Minimum Wages Rules, 40+ Companies	Kerala High Court	2019-21	Labour / Constitutional Petitioner, Successful
04	B. Balakumaran & Ors. v. State of Kerala WP(C) 38497/2017, 131 KELTRON employees, VDA pay revision	Kerala HC (Justice Anu Sivaraman)	Apr 2019	Service / Labour Petitioner, Successful
05	M/s Shaktiman Equipments v. Union of India WP 12314/2021, 2024:MHC:4124, 2024(2)MWN(Civil)365	Madras HC (Justice Anita Sumanth)	2024	Companies Act / Writ Petitioner
06	Chief Engineer (TN PWD) v. Paily & Co. CMA No. 2954/2022, S.37 A&C Act Appeal	Madras High Court	2022-24	Arbitration Respondent, Won
07	Roopa Dileep v. Kellax Surgicals & Ors CrI.O.P. 16257 & 16380/2023	Madras HC (Justice N. Anand Venkatesh)	2024	White-Collar Crime / CA 2013 Complainant, Preserved
08	Fun World & Resorts v. Nimil K.K. FAO No.151/2019, S.15(2) Copyright Act vs Designs Act	Kerala HC (Justice Anil K. Narendran)	Jan 2020	IPR, Copyright Respondent, FAO Dismissed
09	New Wood Lands v. Gopalakrishnan & Anr IA 2/2023 in OS(TM) 21/2023, Trade Name / Passing Off	II Addl. Dist. Judge, Ernakulam	2023	IPR / Passing Off Defendant, Won
10	Empee Hotels Ltd, Section 7 IBC CIRP, NCLT Chennai Bench	NCLT Chennai	2021-23	Insolvency / IBC Respondent
11	MRF Limited, Commercial Suits Madras HC, Commercial Division	Madras HC	2022-25	Commercial Litigation Defendant, Successful
12	Sethuraman Mahadevan & 183 Ors. v. Ozone Urbana Co. Appeal (AT)(Ins)(CH) 330/2022, MANU/NL/0103/2024	NCLAT Chennai (Justice M. Venugopal)	Feb 2024	Insolvency / IBC Appellant, Remanded
13	PuR Energy Pvt. Ltd. v. Bajaj Auto Ltd. OSA(CAD) 128-130/2024, CMPs 23173, 23178, 23183/2024	Madras HC CAD (Justice M. Sundar)	Oct 2024	IPR, Designs Act Appellant, Injunction Suspended

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14	Realme Mobile v. State of Andhra Pradesh Writ Petition, Wingtech Plant, Rs 30 Cr Stock	AP High Court	2025	Constitutional / Labour Petitioner, Won
15	Mythri Movie Makers v. X Corp & Ors John Doe Injunction, Ustaad Bhagath Singh (2026)	City Civil Court, Bengaluru	2026	IPR / Copyright Petitioner, Won
16	Cornerstone Constructions + Shine Electric Commercial Arbitrations, Chennai	Arbitral Tribunals	2022-24	Arbitration Claimant
17	Sun Pharma + Macleods Pharmaceuticals Commercial Suits, Madras HC Commercial Division	Madras HC, Commercial	2022-24	Commercial / IPR Defendant
18	PuR Energy + Coromandel International Commercial Suit & OSA, Madras HC Original Side	Madras HC (Original Side)	2022-24	Commercial Litigation Petitioner
19	CEE DEE YEES Health Care / Sark Spice DRT & DRAT Proceedings, Debt Recovery	DRT & DRAT Chennai	2021-23	SARFAESI / Debt Recovery Borrower / Appellant
20	Berkadia Proprietary Holding LLC v. Registrar of TM CMA(TM)/11/2025, S.91 TM Act 1999, App.2381187 Cl.36	Madras HC (Justice Senthilkumar Ramamoorthy)	Aug 2025	IPR, Trade Marks Appellant, Refusal set aside
21	KPN Farm Fresh Pvt. Ltd. v. Commr., Greater Chennai Corporation & 3 Ors. WP 30761/2025, Eviction / extension to vacate	Madras High Court	2025	Constitutional / Writ Petitioner, Extension granted
22	Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. v. State of Tamil Nadu & 3 Ors. WP 5561/2026, Land encroachment, notice treated as show-cause	Madras High Court	2026	Land / Writ Petitioner, Relief granted
23	Acer India Pvt. Ltd. v. Madhan Kumar & 2 Ors. WP 43929/2025, Consumer Forum direction, trade restraints	Madras High Court	2025	Consumer / Writ Petitioner, Interim order
24	Gati Express & Supply Chain Pvt. Ltd. v. Japan Automatic Machines Co. Ltd. & 4 Ors. CRP 3303/2025, Stay pending IA before trial court	Madras High Court	2025	Civil Revision Petitioner, Interim stay

EDUCATION

LL.B

ILS Law College, Pune
2006-09

BBA

ICFAI University, Dehradun
2003-06

ADDITIONAL COURSES

2019 Startups, NLSIU, Bangalore

2018 Evidence Law, M.K. Nambyar Academy

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

- Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.
- Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd.
- Hindustan Petroleum Corporation
- MRF Limited
- Sun Pharma Laboratories Ltd.
- Macleods Pharmaceuticals
- Coromandel International Ltd.
- Karur Vysya Bank
- DLF Limited
- Tata Consumer Products Ltd.
- Harrisons Malayalam Ltd.
- Kanan Devan Hills Plantations
- Cochin Port Trust
- Malayalam Manorama Ltd.
- Symega Food Ingredients
- Synthite Industries Ltd.
- Realme Mobile
- Acer India
- Zomato Hyperpure
- Mythri Movie Makers
- Pawan Kalyan
- Clap Entertainment
- KPN Farm Fresh
- Madras Medical Mission

DUE DILIGENCE

BPCL Cochin Refinery

Legal due diligence & report

BPCL LPG Bottling Plant, Cochin

Legal due diligence & report

LANDMARK

Landmark Batch Litigation

120+ Directors

DIR. DISQUALIFICATION, KERALA

Led 83 writ petitions challenging Ss.164(2) & 167(1) of the Companies Act 2013.

200+ Candidates

SSC CONSTABLE GD, KERALA

Led 45+ WPs for candidates across medical, merit-list and physical rounds.

40+ Companies

WAGE PROTECTION, KERALA

Represented 40+ companies in the constitutional challenge to wage rules.

100+ Employees

KELTRON VDA, KERALA

Successfully challenged the Variable Dearness Allowance revision.

TRACK RECORD

Notable Work Highlights

Standing Counsel, Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.

Retained before the Madras High Court across writ, appellate and commercial work, recently securing land-encroachment notices to be treated as show-cause relief.

Independent Director & Regulatory Defence

Obtained an interim stay for an Independent Director of Zomato Hyperpure in an industrial-safety prosecution for breach of mandatory pre-cognizance safeguards.

Consumer & Service Law

Interim relief for Acer India against Consumer Forum directions; upheld regularisation of contractual medical officers for the Union of India before the CAT.

Media & Entertainment Disputes

Secured John Doe and anti-defamation injunctions protecting film releases for Mythri Movie Makers, Pawan Kalyan and Clap Entertainment before the Bengaluru City Civil Court.

PSU & Infrastructure Litigation

Protected IOCL and Hindustan Petroleum installations and pipelines, and enforced Gati Limited decrees through execution and appellate proceedings.

Panel Counsel, Karur Vysya Bank

Empanelled for DRT and civil recovery litigation before courts and tribunals in Chennai.

STRENGTHS

Key Skills

16+ years litigation & client advisory

Strong courtroom advocacy

Contract negotiation

Strategic thinking & client counselling

Due diligence, corporate & infrastructure

Multi-jurisdiction practice management