

MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT PARTNER KSK

RAHUL MEHTA

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OVERVIEW

Profile

Rahul is an experienced legal professional with over 17 years of post-qualification experience, specialising in Media & Entertainment Law with a solid focus on Copyright Law, including advising on complex transactions. Rahul has advised some of the leading production houses, studios, broadcasters, content aggregators, talent, distributors and music labels. He has been involved in structuring complex financing deals, production and co-production deals, and distribution deals for various high-value projects, and has been instrumental in providing advisory across various issues concerning the Media and Entertainment industry.

Rahul has also worked as in-house counsel at various organisations, including Balaji Motion Pictures, Zee Entertainment and Sony Pictures Networks. He has been involved in various high-value transactions and high-stakes litigations, and has also advised on management and strategic decisions. Rahul is a business-enabler lawyer and negotiator, known as such among his peers in the media and entertainment industry, with a strong legal background in the sector and extensive experience solving business challenges and networking within the industry.

CAPABILITIES

Practice Focus

Media & Entertainment Law	Intellectual Property Rights	Dispute Resolution
Commercial Litigation	Information Technology	

TRACKRECORD

Key Work Highlights

- Successfully secured an interim injunction order before the City Civil Court, Bengaluru, for Sri Konidala Pawan Kalyan (Deputy Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh) concerning takedown of defamatory content.
- Successfully secured the Personality Rights of Sri Konidala Pawan Kalyan (Actor and Deputy Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh) in a matter before the Hon'ble Delhi High Court.
- Successfully secured the Personality Rights of Mr. Akira Nandan (son of Sri Pawan Kalyan) in a matter before the Hon'ble Delhi High Court.
- Successfully secured John Doe and anti-defamation injunction orders in respect of the Telugu-language films "Ustaad Bhagat Singh" and "Jet Lee"



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KEY FACTS

17+ YEARS PQE
5 PRACTICE AREAS
18+ REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

MEMBERSHIP

Bar Council of Maharashtra & Goa

PRIOR IN-HOUSE EXPERIENCE

Balaji Motion Pictures
Zee Entertainment Enterprises Ltd.
Sony Pictures Networks India

NOTABLE CLIENTS

- Mythri Movie Makers
- Sri Pawan Kalyan (Deputy CM, AP)
- Pawan Kalyan Creative Works Pvt. Ltd.
- People Media Factory Pvt. Ltd.
- Phantom Studios (India) Pvt. Ltd.
- Clap Entertainment
- MMM Mediaworks
- Vyra Entertainment

before the City Civil Court at Bengaluru.

- Successfully defended an injunction application filed for a stay on the release of the Telugu-language film "Kishkindapuri".
- Defended Mythri Movie Makers before the Madras High Court in separate suits filed by Dr. Ilaiyaraja concerning the Tamil-language films "Good Bad Ugly" and "Dude".
- Achieved a Consent Order in respect of disputes concerning the release of the Telugu-language film "Raja Saab".
- Closed various high-stake revenue agreements and other structured agreements for films including "Peddi", "Raja Saab", "Pushpa – The Rule", "Jaat", "Ustaad Bhagat Singh", "Good Bad Ugly", "Dude" and "Mirai: Super Yodha", among others.
- Handled and was part of various litigations concerning the films "Gunjan Saxena", "Good News", "Parmanu", "Haseena Parkar" and "Manikarnika".
- Handled and was part of the trademark litigation concerning the passing-off action filed by Plex Inc. against Zee Entertainment Enterprises Limited over the word 'Plex' in respect of the service "ZeePlex".

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Representative Clients

■ Mythri Movie Makers	■ Sri PawanKalyan(Deputy CM, AP)	■ Pawan Kalyan Creative Works Private Limited
■ People Media Factory Private Limited	■ Shine Screens (India) LLP	■ Vriddhi Cinemas LLP
■ Phantom Studios (India) Private Limited	■ Vistaar Movies LLP	■ Maverick Media Private Limited
■ Clap Entertainment	■ MMM Mediaworks	■ Naad Sstudios Private Limited
■ Chalk N Cheese Film Production LLP	■ Mr. Tushar Hiranandani (Director)	■ Brave Wheel Productions
■ Kay Content Factory LLP	■ Unformula Films LLP	■ Vyra Entertainment

BACKGROUND

Prior In-House Experience

- **In-House Counsel:** Balaji Motion Pictures.
- **In-House Counsel:** Zee Entertainment Enterprises Limited.
- **In-House Counsel:** Sony Pictures Networks India.

STRENGTHS

Membership

Enrolled with the Bar Council of Maharashtra & Goa.