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## **EDUCATION**

- 2015 – 2016**      **Master of International and European Business Laws (LLM)**  
**Trinity College Dublin, Ireland**  
Modules include Privacy and Data Protection, Principles of Delaware Corporate Law, Advanced Lawyering Techniques, Emerging Technologies, Comparative Product Liability and International Arbitration  
**Dissertation Topic: Cloud Computing**
- 2009 – 2014**      **Bachelor of Laws (LLB)**  
**Pune University, India**  
**First Class (61.78%)**  
Five year course with extensive modules covering corporate and allied laws.
- 2011- 2013**      **Company Secretary**  
**Institute of Company Secretaries of India**  
**Completed all three levels in first sitting**  
Modules include Financial Management, Securities and Tax Laws, Corporate Restructuring, Corporate Governance, Accounting and Due Diligence.
- 2008 - 2009**      Higher Secondary School - **First Class with Distinction**
- 2006 - 2007**      Secondary School - **First Class with Distinction**

## **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

English (IELTS 8.0/9), German (Goethe Institute A2 Level 95/100), Hindi and Marathi

## **EMPLOYMENT**

- February 2014 - August 2015**      **Legal Advisor with LegaLogic Consulting, a full-service law firm in India.**  
I managed a team of five associates to achieve seamless delivery of contracts and independently handled multinational client accounts.  
**Responsibilities included:**
- Drafting and review of commercial contracts including Master Services Agreements, Reseller Agreements, Statements of Work, Consultancy Agreements, Vendor Agreements, Partnership Agreements and Non-Disclosure Agreements
  - Contract Negotiation
  - Drafting, review and implementation of share-based employment benefit plans including Employee Stock Option Plans and Stock Appreciation Rights Plans

- Drafting of Legal Notices and appropriate replies
- Legal Due Diligence and Risk Analysis in Merger and Amalgamation Transactions
- Drafting and Review of Employment Agreements and Company policies
- Drafting of Board resolutions and resolutions for Shareholders' meetings
- Drafting and implementation of Prevention of Sexual Harassment Policies under the 2013 Act

## **INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE**

- 2012**                    **Supreme Court of India, Delhi**
- Interned with Advocate, Mr. Gopal Limaye to file a special leave petition at the apex court of India.
  - Researched extensively, attended client counselling and court sessions
- 2011**                    **Bombay High Court, Mumbai**
- Interned with Advocate, Mrs. Anita Agarwal at the Original and Appellate Jurisdiction of the court.
  - Attended the court regularly, conducted research and prepared notes in briefs
- 2013**                    **Shivajinagar District Court, Pune**
- Interned with Advocate, Mr. Nitin Bhalerao for a period of six months and worked on drafting of commercial contracts and property matters.
  - Gave presentations on the latest amendments to the laws
- 2011**                    **Shivajinagar District Court, Pune**
- Interned with Advocate, Mr. Abhay Apte and attended the family and civil courts in Pune.
  - Conducted extensive research on on-going matters and gave presentations on varied legal issues.

## **MOOT COURTS**

- 2011**                    **Novice Moot Court Competition**  
Stood third in the competition on a Family Law moot
- 2014**                    **Constitution, Securities Laws and Criminal Law Moot Module**  
**First Class with Distinction**

## **EXTRA- CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

- 2012-2013**            **Assistant Trainer with The Bumble Bee**  
A training and development firm for management students and companies