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Rahul Dwarkadas

PARTNER

Rahul Dwarkadas has an experience of over 22 years. He handles a broad variety of disputes across multiple industries including white-collar crime, anti- corruption, employment and anti-bribery related matters. He represents a range of corporates (domestic and international) in commercial litigation and arbitrations and has represented clients in several landmark judgments.

Indicative Experience

LITIGATION & DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- **Echjay** in arbitration proceedings administered under the Singapore International Arbitration Center.
- **Central Depository Services Limited** in multiple proceedings which have been initiated by investors before the Hon'ble Bombay High Court against SEBI and the market intermediaries (stock exchanges, depositories and clearing corporations) in relation to an alleged fraud of over INR 1400 crore perpetrated by inter alia a stock-broker, Anugrah Stock & Broking Limited.
- **Federation of All Maharashtra Petrol Dealers Association** in challenging the Government's decision to disinvest its shareholding in the petroleum sector public undertakings and permit privatization of the sector.
- **Pfizer Limited** in the lead/main petition essentially dealing with the Government's decision to ban approximately 354 fixed dosed combination drugs overnight on the grounds that these drugs had no therapeutic value.
- **Huntsman International (India) Private Limited** in respect of its case pertaining to data theft filed by one of its ex-employees and for a claim in damages.
- **Mr. Anupam Mittal**, who is a founder of People Interactive Private Limited, which runs one of the largest matrimony portals in India, i.e. shaadi.com in respect of a shareholders dispute, including a cross- border litigation in the Hon'ble Singapore High Court.



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Practice Areas

Litigation & Dispute Resolution
White Collar Crime Restructuring &
Insolvency Anti-Trust/Competition
Real Estate

Sectors

- Pharmaceuticals & Healthcare
- Restructuring Mergers, Demergers & Court Schemes
- Hotels & Hospitality
- Information Technology, Data & AI
- Financial Services Fintech

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- **ICICI Bank** in respect of a suit filed by Ms. Chanda Kochhar claiming inter alia vesting of her ESOP entitlement and in the alternative a claim in damages aggregating to INR 1732 crores.
- Various entities belonging to the **Lodha Group of Companies** before the Hon'ble Bombay High Court in respect of proceedings filed by the Income Tax Department challenging the order passed by the Income Tax Settlement Commission in respect of applications for settlement filed by the Lodha Group entities under the Income Tax Act, 1961.
- **Macrotech Developers Ltd. and Mr. Abhishek Lodha** in proceedings pertaining to infringement and passing off in relation to the marks 'LODHA'/'LODHA GROUP' by House of Abhinandan Lodha and others

WHITE COLLAR CRIME

- **Deloitte Haskins & Sells LLP** before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, the Hon'ble Bombay High Court and the Hon'ble Delhi High Court in challenging the validity of the direction issued by the Government of India sanctioning prosecution and initiation of various proceedings against Deloitte in relation to the audit performed by it for IL&FS Financial Services Ltd., a subsidiary of IL&FS.
- **Mumbai International Airport Limited** and the promoters of GVK Group in relation to investigation proceedings initiated by the Central Bureau of Investigation pertaining to running of the airport operations of the Mumbai Airport.

REAL ESTATE

- **Redd Villas and Resorts Private Limited** in its successful acquisition, on ownership basis, of an approximately 5-acre property known as Palacio Aguada situated in Candolim, Goa.
- **Leela Group** in respect of the challenge by ITC Limited to the sale of its hotel business to Brookfield.
- **Lodha Developers** in the disputes arising over the development of the textile unit owned by Shreeniwas Cotton Mills Ltd which had been permanently wound up by the High Court way back in 1987 after the textile strike.

Memberships & Affiliations

- Bar Council of Delhi, India
- Bombay Incorporated Law Society
- Bombay Bar Association

Professional Experience

- May 2025 to Present
- Partner, Veritas Legal
2015 to 2025
- Partner, Wadia Ghandy & Co.
2011 to 2015
- Associate, Wadia Ghandy & Co.
2002 to 2011

Education

B.A. in Jurisprudence,
University of Oxford

Solicitor, India

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APPEARANCE BEFORE COURTS, FORUMS, TRIBUNALS AND AUTHORITIES

Supreme Court of India | High Courts within India | National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) | National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) | Securities Exchange Board of India (SEBI) | Securities Appellate Tribunal | BIFR | AAIFR | City Civil Courts | Court for Small Causes | National, State and District Consumer Tribunals | MRTTP Court | Competent Authority | Cooperative Societies Court | Charity Commissioner | Labour Courts | Court Receivers office | Official Liquidators office | Customs Commissioner's | Mediation matters referred to by the High Court and City Civil Court | International Commercial Arbitrations and Domestic Arbitrations | Magistrate Court within India | Central Bureau Investigation | Economic Offences Wing and Enforcement Directorate.

ACCOLADES

Litigation Star for Commercial and Transactions (India) | Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific 2025

Litigation Star for Commercial and Transactions (India) | Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific 2023 and 2024

Notable Practitioner for Dispute Resolution (India) | AsiaLaw Rankings 2021 - 2024

Band -4 for White-Collar Crime and Corporate Investigations | Chambers and Partners Guide 2024 and 2025

Recommended Lawyer for Commercial Litigation | Who's Who Legal 2023

Recommended Lawyer for White-Collar Crime | Legal500 Asia-Pacific Guide 2021 - 2025

Recommended Lawyer for Antitrust & Competition | Legal500 Asia-Pacific Guide 2023 - 2025

"A" List of top 100 lawyers (India) | India Business Law Journal 2022 - 2024

Leading Law Firm Partner in the 'Distinguished Legal Minds of India' book | Legal Era 2020

Top Disputes Lawyers | Asian Legal Business India 2019 and 2020

Recommended Lawyer for Litigation | RSG India Report 2019

Acritas Star Lawyer | Acritas (Thomson Reuters) 2020