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### **WHO WE ARE**

SMA Legal is a boutique Legal Advisory Firm that specializes in high profile cases involving large Indian corporations, International companies with business interests in India, distinguished individuals and country missions to India.

Over the years, SMA Legal has built an enviable reputation as a specialist in key practices providing excellent service and high quality, thoroughly reliable advice to clients in a commercially practical, timely and efficient manner.

SMA Legal is led by Shantanu Mohan, an award-winning advocate and legal advisor with over 10 years of experience in the Indian legal system.

A Felix Fellowship scholar from the University of London where he completed his LLM after doing his law degree from Panjab University,

Shantanu is the Founder and Managing Partner of SMA Legal and leads a committed team of advocates, litigators and investigators from his law office at Chandigarh.

Shantanu and his team serve as external counsel to most of their clients seeking services in the following areas of practice:

- India Business Advisory
- Arbitration & Conciliation
- Corporate & Commercial Law
- Investigation Services
- NRI Services



## **MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS**

- Associated Lawyers, an international law firms network
- The International Bar Association (IBA), the world's leading organisation of international legal practitioners, bar associations and law societies
- Indo-German Chamber of Commerce
- The Association of British Scholars
- OSEC Business Network Switzerland
- TiE (The Indus Entrepreneurs)
- The Capital Foundation Society of India amongst various industry bodies representing Indian companies and small businesses













# **VISION 2020**

SMA Legal aims to become India's leading legal advisory firm in their core areas of practice: India Business Advisory, Arbitration & Conciliation, Corporate & Commercial Law and Investigation Services.

SMA Legal aims to achieve this vision by 2020 through a systematic growth of its infrastructure, people and client base without losing focus on the high standards that SMA Legal is proud of.





## **MISSION**

SMA Legal works closely with three important stakeholders – its clients, its employees and its associates. It, therefore, has a mission statement catering to each stakeholder that guides its actions and keeps its priorities and objectives aligned to the organizational goals.

#### Clients

SMA Legal is committed to provide excellent service and high quality, thoroughly reliable advice to clients in a commercially practical, timely and efficient manner.

#### Employees

SMA Legal is committed to providing both personal and professional growth opportunities to its employees through career-oriented roles in a transparent, systematic and time bound manner.

#### Associates

SMA Legal is committed to building strong and mutually beneficial relationships with its associates based on trust, capability and excellence.

# **CORE VALUES**

As an organization, we are different and sought after because of our in-depth knowledge, more than a decade of experience in our areas of expertise and our commitment to clients' deadlines. What sets us apart is our value system. SMA Legal is an organization built on a strong value system that is both necessary for its operating environment and an intrinsic part of its DNA.

SMA Legal has an inspired team that places tremendous emphasis on the following values that define its DNA

- Ethics, Honesty and Transparency (No compromises)
- Process and Detail Oriented (No short-cuts)
- Professional and Forthright Approach (No casualness)





## **CORE TEAM**

#### **Shantanu Mohan Puri** (Managing Partner, SMA Legal)

Born and raised in Chandigarh but with extensive travel experience from a young age to North America, Europe, Asia Pacific and the Middle East, Shantanu is a practicing lawyer in the Indian Legal System over the last 11 years and has indepth knowledge and experience in Corporate and Commercial Laws. Adept at Court Procedures, Regulatory affairs, Compliance issues, Banking norms, etc., Shantanu is familiar with cross border issues pertaining to setting up of a new business by a foreign company in India, joint ventures, business collaborations, valuations of businesses, formation and incorporation procedures, private equity and venture capital investing.

## Pankaj Jain

A Lawyer with a post-graduate degree in Economics from Panjab University, Pankaj has an in depth understanding of the Indian Economy especially the agricultural, telecom, insurance and the banking sectors. With a degree in Law from the Department of Laws, Panjab University in 1998, Pankaj is an active member of the bar at the Punjab and Haryana High Court and is a full time litigator.

## **Gundeep Singh Gill**

Gundeep qualified as a lawyer after completing his LL.B. from the Bombay University in 1988. Versatile and extremely hard-working, he soon thereafter completed his Chartered Accountancy and was made a fellow member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Thus not only does he use his knowledge of Law, he couples it with financial acumen thereby assisting our clients with the most complex and intricate financial issues which have significant legal ramifications.

# **CLIENTS**

Our clients have been the partners in our success. Without their valuable trust, confidence in our abilities and constant encouragement, we would not have achieved what we have. We thank them.

## A representative list of some of our clients

ACTIV INNOVATION GMBH AI RESTAURANT

ANCIN CLIMA SPAIN

BHARAT SOKA GAKKAITRATION DANSK MUSIKER FORBUND

DEBIOPHARM S.A

DE HEUS INTERNATIONAL B.V

DEPARTMENT OF IT, CHANDIGARH

ADMINISTRATION

EXPORT CREDIT GUARANTEE

CORPORATION OF INDIA LTD.

GFK TELECONTROL

GOTHAER INSURANCE COMPANY

HEALTHJI ICICI BANK

INNOVATION NORWAY

JOHNSON MORGAN & WHITE

LARSEN & TOUBRO

LLOYDS INSURANCE OF LONDON

MAHINDRA & MAHINDRA

MIGRATION SVERAT, SWEDEN

MOUNTAIN STATES CENTER

OLIVE BAR & KITCHEN PVT LTD

POLARBROD

PFIZER

QUARK CITY INDIA PVT LTD.

RMS MEDICAL SYSTEMS, CHANDIGARH

SAACKE

STICHTING MARRIAMMA

SWISS BUSINESS HUB, MUMBAI

TEAS S.A. GREECE

TECHNI TUBER

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UNION KRANKENVERSICHERUNG AG

KALTENBERG

