

All you need to know about a legal notice: Part 2

-by Apprentice in-house

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Supreme
Court waives
cooling-off
period to grant
divorce

The Supreme Court has passed an order on 2nd October, 2018 that the cooling-off period to grant divorce between the first and second motion could be waived off depending on the circumstances of the case.

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Personal information v. Public interest: Section 8(1)(j) of RTI

-by Harish G.

Though the privacy right of a person needs to be protected, the public interest in transparency is of higher value than the private interests of individuals. Despite the emphatic declaration that the right to privacy is a part of life and personal liberty, the right to information survives with Section 8(1)(j) and 11 of the RTI Act.

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If you wish to protect your legal rights, then it is pertinent that a legal notice is sent or replied to.

Legal notices are often precursors to litigation - the contents of the notice will hint at the stand that the person will take at litigation. Further, the core contents of the legal notice and a plaint/written statement do not largely vary from each other.

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Relief to developers on the maintainability of a specific performance of a agreement.

The Supreme Court passes order for Section 14(3)(c)(iii) of the Specific Relief Act, 1963 to be interpreted purposively to give room for the Section to be used in favour of the developer in a suit for specific performance of a developer agreement.

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Understanding defamation laws

-by Meghana Ballal

The most common mistake one does in a defamation suit is not adding the right or necessary parties to the suit or often adding wrong persons as parties. The common dilemma in a libel is choosing between authors, editors, publishers, and intermediaries. The simple yardstick to follow in such cases is to check 'who has the final creative control over the statement published?' and such a person should be made responsible for it.

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Only Greencrackers allowed between 8-10 PM this Diwali

Supreme Court, on considering a petition filed by 3 infants about the pollution caused by firecrackers leading to health issues, has decided to take strict measures to get the situation under control.

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Supreme Court: The victims now don't have to seek special leave to appeal.

The rights of victim gets a boost as the Supreme Court orders that a victim can file an appeal under the proviso of Section 372 of CrPC and he can appeal without seeking Special Leave to appeal.

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The Citizenship Amendment Bill causes furore in Assam

Assam has shut down in protest against the controversial Citizenship Amendment Bill. The Bill which goes against the Assam Accord is alleged discriminatory on the basis of religion instigating political and communal wars.



Sexual harassment at workplace in light of #Metoo: Know your rights. -by Poornachandra Pattar

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Although the Act mandates that a company having more than 10 employees should constitute ICC, many companies/organisations have remained oblivious. To ensure strict compliance of this provision, the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, vide the Company (Accounts) Rules, 2014 dated July 31, 2018, made it compulsory for companies to file a statement that they have complied with the provisions relating to the constitution of ICC under the Act.

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Data Localisation: RBI's deadline expires

The deadline given by RBI for storage of payment system data on Indian servers expired on October 15, 2018. One must wait and see how the RBI sketches out the next steps for the defaulters.

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Yahoo has agreed to pay \$50 million in damages and provide two years of free credit-monitoring services to 200 million people whose email addresses and other personal information were stolen as a part of the biggest security breach in history.

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NCLT orders new Board for debt-ridden IL&FS

India's leading infrastructure finance company, Infrastructure Leasing & Finance Services (IL&FS) defaulted on payments to lenders across multiple instruments. Government intervened as a result of widespread panic in the market.

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Enforcement Directorate raids
Amnesty International premises in
Bangalore for alleged violations
of FCRA and for illegally receiving foreign funding of Rs.
36 crores.

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India's first bitcoin ATM founder arrested for illegally setting up the ATM. Unocoin Technologies co-founder, Harish BV, was arrested by the police in Bangalore, a week after its installation.

Determining the nature of CCI

-by Rupendra Singh

Responding to the question of the true nature of CCI, the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs in its 93rd Report, 2001, was of the opinion that it is a judicial body. The rationale for this argument was that the CCI has a specific adjudicatory function in relation to abuse of dominance, anti-competitive practices and on combinations... The Act, however, does not conform with the Parliamentary Standing Committee Report.

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Direct seller Amway sues Flipkart over unauthorised sale

Amway took the e-commerce giant Flipkart to the court for allowing unauthorised and illegal selling of Amway products on its platform thereby violating the Direct Selling Guidelines issued by the Government. **Read more**

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the government to review the
competition regulations and
ensure that the legislation is in
tune with the changing business
environment.

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US Court approves SEC and Elon Musk settlement after the infamous tweet

The U.S Court, in his recent judgment, has approved of the settlement between SEC and Elon Musk for the securities fraud following Elon Musk's infamous tweet **Read more**

Trademarks: Registration and its restrictions

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(Part 3 of a 3 part series on Trademarks)
-by Akanksha Mathur

Google joins the Patent Prior Arts Initiative

The mark will then be examined by the Trade Marks Registry for compliance with Section 9 and 11 of the Act. If the Registry believes that the mark may be refused based on the two Sections, they issue an Examination Report. If they find no grounds for refusal, they proceed to publish the mark in the Trade Marks Journal.

Google has decided to join Prior Art Archive initiative to aid the USPTO and its examiners by providing necessary info in order to ensure that duplicate patents are not granted.

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Copyright for visually blind: Failure of Marrakesh treaty

-by Ritu Meena

The Marrakesh treaty came into existence to aid persons with visual and other disabilities to access the copyrighted works in a holistic and efficient manner through simplified mechanisms. This article aims to understand the background, the building process as well as the consequences brought in with the Treaty along with other similar regulations.

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Trademark, Copyright Office introduce video conferencing for hearings

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With the aim to reform the way
IP prosecution takes place in the
country both the offices have announced the decision to conduct
hearings through video conferencing apart from the physical
appearance requirement followed until now. This is set
up to expedite trade mark
and copyright prosecution process.

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Summary judgments in IPR: The road less taken

-by Utkarsh Joshi

An infringer selling packaged bottles of water under the brand 'Bisleri' is blatantly attempting to utilise the brand to make illegal profits and has no defence under the law. This is an ideal scenario for invoking Order 13A and prevent the matter from going through a lengthy and expensive trial where there is no real prospect for the Defendant to prove that he was legally dealing in 'Bisleri' branded packaged water.

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Prithvi Shaw's management team sues Swiggy and FreeCharge, demands 1 crore

Cricketer Prithvi Shaw's management company has sent cease and desist notices to two companies for using his name without permission. The company has called it ambush marketing and infringement of trademark rights.

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Artists win:
President Trump
signs Music
Modernization Act

The long due Music
Modernization Act has
been signed by President
Trump. With aims to fix the
issues in copyright law in
the US, especially for music
artists, the Act brings relief
and the essential royalties to
the artists' plate.

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Mechanical compilations not copyright, reiterates Delhi HC

Delhi HC yet again gave a clear-cut judgment on the copyrightability of a mechanical compilation database. Rejecting the Plaintiff's application for an injunction for copyright infringement and revealing confidential information, Justice Endlaw underlined the ratio of landmark judgments to clarify the principal.

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