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ACADEMIC PROFILE

<u>INSTITUTION</u>	<u>COURSE</u>	<u>CGPA / %</u>
National Law University Delhi	B.A., LLB. (Honours)	6.7 / 7
Clarence High School, Bangalore	Higher Senior Secondary - Class XII (Affiliated with the ISC Board)	90 %
Clarence High School, Bangalore	Senior Secondary - Class X (Affiliated with the ICSE Board)	92 %

OTHER RELEVANT COURSES:

- NLUD single credit course on “Sexual Orientation, Gender, and the Law” – Grade ‘O’.
- NLUD Electronic Database Workshop on SCC Online, Manupatra, LexisNexis, and Westlaw.

INTERSHIPS

Manilal Kher Ambalal & Co., Mumbai

(June 2016 – 4 weeks)

- Conducted extensive research on the procedure for the transfer of shares under the Companies Act, 1956, the Companies Act, 2013, as well as the applicable SEBI circulars and regulations; specific reference was made to the issuance of share and duplicate share certificates, as well as the power of a Company to refuse the registration of a transfer.
- Reviewed shareholder agreements for the purpose of ascertaining minority shareholder rights and liabilities, and studied the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 relating to Oppression and Mismanagement. Research was also undertaken regarding the applicability of pre-emption clauses, tag-along rights, drag-along rights, and put option clauses in certain agreements.
- Researched on the functioning of CDR schemes, particularly with respect to the maintainability of debt recovery suits following the institution of such schemes.
- Prepared a presentation on the Special Court (Trial of Offences Relating to Transactions in Securities) Act, 1992.
- Drafted various notices, as well as an affidavit in reply and an affidavit in lieu of examination in chief.

Centre for Communication Governance, Delhi

(April 2016 – ongoing)

- As a Research Assistant under the Indian Ranking Digital Rights project, a report is being drafted on the policies and practices of various Indian telecommunication and Internet companies, and their compliance with the freedom of expression and privacy standards laid down within the RDR Corporate Accountability Index.

Centre on the Death Penalty, Delhi

(March 2016 – 5 weeks)

- Drafted and filed numerous RTI applications for the Centre’s Mental Health Research Project.
- Assimilated prisoner information across various states in the country.
- Participated in various group discussions regarding the existing literature and case law on the legitimacy of capital punishment.

Khare Legal Chambers, Mumbai*(January 2016 – 4 weeks)*

- Researched on and wrote articles relating to company law in India, specifically dealing with the issues of director liability and corporate social responsibility.
- Researched on and wrote articles on Indian electricity laws, focusing on the current scenario regarding the matters of Open Access and Cross Subsidy Surcharge in the power sector.
- Examined the phenomenon of class action suits and their applicability in an Indian context.
- Attended various proceedings before the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission
- Drafted plaints and replies to plaints in numerous property suits.

Holla & Holla, Bangalore*(January 2015 – 5 weeks)*

- Conducted research on provisions of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996, Companies Act 2013, and the Indian Contract Act, 1872.
- Accompanied Senior Advocate Udaya Holla to his proceedings in the High Court of Karnataka, as well as to certain Arbitration proceedings.

ACHIEVEMENTS**Moots**

- Selected to represent NLU Delhi at the 2017 Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot, Vienna.

Debates

- The XIII NLSIU Parliamentary Debate – Octo Finalist Adjudicator (2015)
- ‘The Great Debate’, held by the British High Commission – Finalist (2014)
- Frank Anthony Memorial All India Inter- School Debate – Regionals 2nd Place (2013)
- Frank Anthony Memorial All India Inter- School Debate – Nationals 2nd Place (2011)

Other

- NLSIU ADR Tournament - Client Counselling Competition –Semi Finalist (2016)

POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

- Member, Literary, Debate & Quizzing Committee, National Law University Delhi (2016)
- Editor, ‘Audi Alteram Partem’, student magazine of National Law University Delhi (2016)
- Organising Committee, Professor Ghanshyam Singh Memorial Parliamentary Debate, National Law University Delhi (2015)
- Organising Committee, ‘Kairos’, Inter College Cultural Fest, National Law University Delhi (2015)
- Member, Cultural Committee, National Law University, Delhi (2014)
- House Captain, Clarence High School, Bangalore (2013)
- House Vice- Captain, Clarence High School, Bangalore (2011)

VOLUNTEER WORK

- *Compassion Unlimited Plus Action*, Bangalore (Animal welfare NGO) (2014)

INTERESTS AND HOBBIES

I possess a passion for the performing arts – ballet and theatre in particular – and have studied the former for seven years in the Lewis Foundation of Classical Ballet, Bangalore. I enjoy engaging in debates surrounding issues of internet freedom, gender equality, free speech and human rights.