



LITIGATION AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION



Trust Legal, Advocates and Consultants

“We believe that our ability to see business from all perspectives allows us to help clients effectively in today’s – and tomorrow’s – challenging business climate. As one of India’s leading law firms, we advise many of the biggest and most ambitious organizations across all major regions of the country. Our clients trust us with their most important transactions, disputes and projects because of our ability to cut through complexity and mitigate risk”

- Mr. Sudhir Mishra,
Managing Partner, Trust Legal



Introduction

Trust Legal, Advocates & Consultants is one of the fastest growing litigation law firms in New Delhi, handling over 500 cases within Delhi itself.

The firm has acquired a leadership position in the Telecom Disputes Settlement and Appellate Tribunal (TDSAT), the National Green Tribunal, High Court of Delhi as well as the Supreme Court of India. Further, Trust Legal is renowned for its diverse experience in the practice of civil and criminal law, including Media and Entertainment Litigation, Environmental Litigation, Criminal Defence of Economic offences and many more.

On a regular basis, Trust Legal represents the Zee Group, CREDAI, TCS, PowerGrid Corporation, Max Healthcare and many others all over the country.

Trust Legal also has the unique distinction of being a law firm registered as an Advocate on Record before the Supreme Court of India.

Client Speaks!



“Appreciate Trust Legal’s high professionalism with sincere and humble approach on customer- need resolution.”

-Mr. S. K. Nair

Senior General Manager, Tata Consultancy Services

“I have been engaging with Trust legal for many years now and I’ve seen them rise to the occasion when issues of news, media, entertainment and broadcasting are involved.”

-Mr. Sanjay Mishra

General Counsel, Essel Group



“Trust Legal stands for ‘trust’ from the word go. The young team of Trust Legal has been associated with us at ViaMedia & then Ebix ADAM for the last 5 years and every time we felt that we need their support, they were always there, with enthusiasm & dedication to provide the best of their flawless professional services”

-Mr. Swadeep Srivastava

MD and CEO, A.D.A.M. India



“Trust Legal is a unique media broadcasting law firm which is very strong in its commitments and delivery of its legal services.”

-Anurag Batra
Chairman & Editor in Chief, Businessworld

“I’ve known Sudhir Mishra, founder of Trust Legal for more than two decades and have been impressed with his firm’s media & broadcasting law practice.”

-Avinash Pandey
CEO, ABP News Network



Achievements

Trust Legal, Advocates & Consultants have been successfully included in the top 50 leading commercial law firms in India

India Business Law Journal, Hong Kong
2015- 2016 Editions

“Trust Legal leads on Medicovert’s \$100 million investment in India’s IVF Market”

Bar & Bench,
April 8, 2016

Mr. Mishra, member of the New York State Bar Association was appointed “India coordinator and Co-Chair, New Delhi” of the International Section of the New York State Bar Association.

Stockholm,
March 4, 2011

“Best Environmental Lawyer of the Year, 2013”

-Legal Era Magazine, CNBC TV 18,
Business Standard.

How We Work

Trust Legal specializes in providing qualitative legal advisory, support and representation to its clients across multiple geographic jurisdictions as well as forums, such as the Supreme Court of India, High Courts of various states, Tribunals such as the Telecom Disputes Settlement and Appellate Tribunal and the National Green Tribunal.

Trust Legal strives to provide the highest quality of legal services to its clients by focusing on the specific needs of each client. The elements of Trust and Accountability are fundamental to the vision of our ever-growing law firm. We, at Trust Legal adhere to global standards of legal ethics, client confidentiality and service deliverability.

The rich experience and legal skills of Advocates at Trust Legal facilitate efficient responses to the business and legal requirements of the firm's clients.



Litigation:

Trust Legal has extensive experience in civil, criminal and commercial litigation along with Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR). The firm recognizes the complexities involved in law and in our judicial system, which is why its strategic legal defense is bolstered by excellent legal drafting of pleadings and positioning of well-thought out arguments in the courtroom.

The firm has built strong relationships with various noted senior counsels who, when required, can be briefed and instructed to appear in a matter on behalf of our clients at a short notice.

The top ten Senior Advocates of the country regularly appear for the firm in Delhi as well as other places.

Trust Legal: Supreme Court Practice

Trust Legal has a wide and diverse presence before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. We have successfully represented Clients before the Supreme Court across various practice areas, including environmental, commercial and service disputes.

Keeping in line with Trust Legal's exhaustive practice in the Supreme Court, we have endeavored to obtain registration as Advocate on Record before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

Trust Legal is one of the few firms who have been bestowed with the designation of an Advocate on Record.

This designation enables Trust Legal to file cases directly before the Supreme Court.

**SUPREME COURT
INDIA
NEW DELHI**

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F. No. 15/186/2018/R.S.
New Delhi, December 14, 2018

From: Branch Officer,
Record Section

To: *ml*
15/12/18 M/s. TRUST LEGAL, Advocates
Trust Legal House,
C-224, Defence Colony,
New Delhi - 110024

Sir(s),

With reference to your letters dated December 4, 2018 regarding registration of 'M/s. TRUST LEGAL', I am directed to inform you that the firm under the name & style of 'M/s. TRUST LEGAL' consisting of partners namely Mr. Sandeep Kumar Jha and Mr. Gaichangpou Gangmei, Advocates-on-Record, has been registered vide orders of the Ld. Registrar (R/Room) dated December 11, 2018 under Order IV, Rule 22, Supreme Court Rules, 2013.

You are now requested to take suitable steps to employ a registered clerk within one month from the date of the registration of this Partnership firm.

Yours faithfully,
[Signature]
Branch Officer
(Record Section)

Copy for information to all the judicial sections:

All the Judicial sections to please note that Mr. Sandeep Kumar Jha and Mr. Gaichangpou Gangmei, Advocates-on-Record, will also file cases in their individual capacity.

[Signature]
Branch Officer

code no 2725

Trust Legal Litigation Practice

- Entertainment, Media and Broadcasting (EMB) Litigation
- Copyright Litigation with a strong focus on Music Laws
- Regulatory Litigation Practice with leadership role in TDSAT, NGT, CERC and APTEL
- Infrastructure Litigation
- Women Law Practices
- Arbitration and Dispute Resolution
- Criminal Law and White Collar Offences with a focus on Internal Investigations
- Commercial Litigation
- Company and Insolvency Litigation
- Civil Litigation
- Real Estate Disputes
- International Claims and Overseas Litigation- The firm specializes in US jurisdictions
- Consumer Disputes Litigation



Arbitration Law Practice



Trust Legal has built up a superb reputation for its Arbitration Law Practice over a span of 18 years. We represented Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. in many arbitrations between the years 1999 to 2009, wherein we successfully secured counterclaims for the Company as well. Further, TL represents the Essel Group in numerous arbitration proceedings.

Trust Legal's retainer counsel, Ms. Mamta Tiwari has over 18 years of experience in high-stake arbitrations, and is an internationally renowned expert in civil and commercial law. She has an established practice before the ICC, LCIA and ICDR Arbitrations in a wide array of commercial inter-party disputes, and she holds a number of prestigious positions in the international domain of arbitration.

Trust Legal is involved in arbitration proceedings for a number of entities including:

- Arbitrations in broadcasting matters on behalf of Wire and Wireless (India) Ltd.
- Arbitration for Essel Walajahpet Poonamallee Toll Roads Pvt. Ltd. pertaining to toll ways.
- For breach of contract matter on behalf of K.V. Developers Ltd.
- For infrastructure related issues on behalf of SA Infrastructure Consultants Pvt. Ltd.
- Numerous arbitration proceedings on behalf of SITI Networks Ltd.
- Arbitration proceedings on behalf of Medicover Healthcare Pvt. Ltd.
- Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. (PGCIL) in the arbitration proceedings at Delhi against ACCO Corporation, Calcutta.
- Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL) in an arbitration matter, wherein, a counter claim of more than Rs.1.50 Crore was awarded in favour of Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. against Bhanu Constructions Company Limited.

Civil and Commercial Litigation

The firm has its own team of litigating Counsels as well as a well - developed network of Senior Counsels, and a pan- India network of local counsels as well.

Trust Legal represents its clients in an array of matters across numerous forums:

I. Supreme Court

- Representing All India Gaming Federation in a matter involving BCCI.
- Representing SITI Networks Ltd. and multiple other entities under the Essel Group.
- Representing Zee Media in multiple litigations.
- Represented in various high stake property matters.
- Represented infrastructure companies including overseas companies on series of contractual issues.
- Regularly represent Public Sector Undertakings like BPCL before the Apex Court.
- Represented in more than 45 high- stake climate change issues, protection of wildlife and preservation of forest, flora and fauna in the country.
- Represented universities and State Public Sector Undertakings for more than one decade in the Apex Court.
- Service matters with regard to reservations in jobs in public- sector undertakings.

II. Telecom Disputes Settlement and Appellate Tribunal

- Currently handling over 400 matters on behalf of SITI Networks Ltd. alone.
- All our cases are against big broadcasting studios like Sony and Star Network.
- Initiating action for recovery of dues in numerous matters.
- Initiating proceedings to prevent the swapping of Set Top Boxes.
- Involved in a matter concerning piracy of TV signals.

III. National Green Tribunal

- Representing Tata Consultancy Services before the National Green Tribunal.
- Regularly represent CREDAI before the National Green Tribunal.
- Appeared and represented POSCO Steel Company regarding forest issues.

- Represented Hines, one of the biggest multinational real-estate companies.
- Represented MSW Power Plants on behalf of the Essel Group.
- Represented Indian Technomac Co. Ltd. (ITCOL), a leading Refined Alloys manufacturer, before the National Green Tribunal.
- Represented Western Consolidated in relation to a ban imposed on its activities by the Authorities.
- Represented Polygel Industries Pvt. Ltd., a 150 crore conglomerate before the National Green Tribunal.
- Challenging the ban on construction in Bangalore on behalf of Reddy Structures Pvt. Ltd.
- Represented Vatika Infrastructure Company.
- Represented 18 entities in the Iron- ore and smelting industry of Uttarakhand.

IV. High Courts

- Initiated action against Musical.ly, an online platform for sharing music.
- Initiated action against various music labels like Saregama India Ltd.
- Involved in actions for Performers Rights against Copyright societies like ISRA.
- Regularly appear for Essel Infrastructure on multiple litigations before single benches and division benches.
- Regularly appear for SA Infrastructure on multiple litigations before single benches and division benches.
- Regularly appear for ZEEL and ZMCL before single benches and division benches.
- Regularly appeared for PowerGrid Corporation, Allahabad Agricultural University, Hindustan Cables Pvt. Ltd., Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL).
- Successfully defended allegations of copyright infringement against the movie “Nude Chitra”.
- Represented Medicovert Healthcare against Municipal Corporation of Delhi.
- Represented Indian Technomac on more than 20 matters before single benches and division benches.
- Represented Kailash Hospitals Pvt. Ltd. and Deepak Memorial Hospital for a variety of labour cases before single and division benches.
- Represented North- East Electric Power Corporation against CERC decisions before Division Bench.

- Represented Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) before the Delhi High Court.
- Represented North China Pvt. Ltd. against Gas Authority of India Ltd. (GAIL) in a tender issue before Division Bench of the Delhi High Court.
- An emergency Writ (Tender) was filed before Delhi High Court concerning a solid waste plant in New Delhi on behalf of Essel MSW Energia Ltd.
- Represented Polygel Industries Pvt. Ltd. before the High Court of Delhi.
- Currently involved in a PIL before the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi to address the severe air pollution being faced by the residents of Delhi.

V. Appellate Tribunal for Electricity and Central Electricity Regulatory Commission

- Represented NRSS XXXI (B) Transmission Limited in relation to fixation of tariff and transmission charges before the CERC and APTEL.
- Represented Darbhanga - Motihari Transmission Co. Ltd. (DMTCL) in relation to fixation of tariff before the CERC.
- Represented Essel Infra Projects in relation to fixation of tariff before the APTEL.
- Represented Pallavapuram Tambaram MSW Pvt. Ltd. in relation to fixation of tariff before the APTEL.
- Represented Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd., North East Electric Power Corporation, Rajasthan Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Ltd. in their various tariff petitions.
- Representing North Eastern Electric Power Corporation (NEEPCO) in fixation of Availability Based Tariff (ABT) for the small Thermal Power Generating Companies in the North Eastern Region before the CERC.
- Representing NEEPCO in fixation of Two Part Tariff for its 405 MW Ranganadi Power Project before the CERC.
- Representing NEEPCO in fixation of Two Part Tariff for its 291 MW Assam Gas Based Power Project before the CERC.

- Representing NEEPCO in fixation of Two Part Tariff for its Doyang Power Project before the CERC.
- Representing NEEPCO in fixation of Two Part Tariff for its 200 MW Kopilli Power Project before the CERC.
- Representing NEEPCO in Inter State Electricity trading license before the CERC.
- Representing Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. (PGCIL) in fixation of cost for its Bina-Nagda Dehgam Transmission Project before the APTEL.
- Representing PGCIL in resolving issues over bearing the cost of procurement of two new Converter Transformers for Rihand – Dadri HVDC – Transmission System before the APTEL.
- Representing PGCIL in restoration of depleted equity for fixation of tariff for the transmission of electricity before the APTEL.
- Representing PGCIL in determination of tariff challenging the norms laid down by CERC before the APTEL.
- Representing PGCIL in fixation of composition of share of Uniform Common Pool Transmission Tariff by different State Sector lines before the APTEL.
- Representing PGCIL in re-determining the Transmission Tariff for Malda Bongaigoa line before the APTEL.
- Representing PGCIL in fixation of Transmission Tariff for the period of 01.04.2004 to 31.03.2007 in respect of Transmission System associated with Kopili Hydroelectric Stage – I Extension Project in North Eastern Region before the APTEL.
- Representing PGCIL on its challenge against the imposition of interest during Construction (IDC) and Incidental Expenses during Construction (IEDC) – Time Overrun and Cost Overrun, Reduction of capital cost due to non-submission of Revised Cost Estimates (RCE), Treatment of Initial Spares, Reduction of Cost towards Switchgear etc.
- Representing the Government of Rajasthan in an appeal preferred against them before the APTEL.

Beyond Delhi:

The firm is regularly representing Clients before the High Courts at Allahabad, Patna, Jaipur, Hyderabad, Karnataka, Uttarakhand, Calcutta, Kochi, Shimla, Jodhpur, Ahmedabad, Sikkim, Ranchi, Bilaspur, Mumbai, Chandigarh.

The firm has a strong presence before National Green Tribunal Benches at Pune , Bhopal and Calcutta.

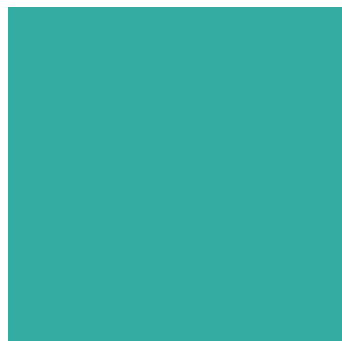
The firm undertakes trial court work, both on civil and criminal side and has a unique distinction of engaging local counsels in more than 105 districts across India, and the Managing Partner of the firm, Mr. Sudhir Mishra, has been special Standing Counsel for the State of Gujarat and State of Sikkim from time to time.

Criminal Litigation

Trust Legal has considerable experience in representing clients on various types of criminal matters in courts of various jurisdictions. The firm has a network of criminal lawyers, senior counsels and its own team of Advocates to initiate prosecution and/or defend its clients in criminal proceedings.

Representation and filing of criminal cases can be in any District Courts, High Courts or the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. TL offers the following criminal litigation services -

- Bail Hearing; Suspension of Sentence
- Quashing of FIR; Criminal Complaints
- Criminal Writs
- Conducting Internal Investigations for Companies
- Dishonour of Cheques
- Bank/Financial Institutions Fraud and Forgery
- Misappropriation of funds; Corporate Embezzlement
- Violation of Information Technology Act; Cyber Laws
- Criminal Breach of Trust; Cheating
- Violation of Foreign Exchange Management Act
- Violation of Intellectual Property Rights
- Narcotics and Drugs Violations
- Domestic Violence



Our Key Members



Mr. Mishra is one of **India's leading Environment, Healthcare and Infrastructure lawyer**. He is a prominent litigation lawyer having represented clients in various Tribunals, High Courts and Supreme Court in closely contested matters. **Mr. Mishra was the Special Counsel for the State of Gujarat and the State of Sikkim.** He has successfully handled several high profile Arbitrations and has a keen understanding of the Alternate Dispute Resolution mechanism.

Mr. Mishra is a prominent arguing counsel before the NGT. For example, he has defended MSW power projects in the NGT and successfully managed to recover substantial pending dues running into multiple crores from the municipality.

He has represented Fortune 500 Companies and the leading music labels in the country in high-stake matters.

He has been handling numerous issues related to **legal recoveries, land acquisition issues and economic offences** like financial frauds, etc. He has personally represented various clients for white collar offences before CBI, ED and various judicial and quasi-judicial authorities. He has a name in **legal estate planning and legal issues pertaining to wealth management for High Net-Worth Individuals.**

Mr. Mishra had also been selected for the most prestigious **International Visitors Leadership Programme (IVLP) sponsored by the United States of America (May 2005),** which is *“one of the U.S. government's most prestigious professional exchange programs for foreign opinion makers”*.

Mr. Mishra is a member of the **International Bar Association (IBA) and the New York State Bar Association (NYSBA).** He has also been appointed as the “India Coordinator” and “Co-chair, New Delhi” of the International Section of the NYSBA.

Mr. Mishra was part of two national-level consultative committees for Forest and Wildlife being headed by Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest, Government of India for the years 2005-09.



Ms. Mamta Tiwari has close to eighteen years' experience in large scale litigation and arbitrations and is associated with the firm as retainer counsel. Her particular emphasis has been on multi-jurisdictional disputes which also spread across a huge range - from breach of Share Purchase Agreements to Oil Exploration Contracts and Bi lateral Investment Treaty Claims.

As a part of the firm's contentious practice, the firm advises on resolution of disputes in the energy, power, real estate, environment, telecom sectors. The firm also advises, strategizes and represents companies in their various corporate litigation often including trans-boundary issues and trans-boundary litigation.

She regularly appears and represents clients before Supreme Court of India, High Courts at Delhi and Mumbai, the Telecom Disputes Settlement Appellate Tribunal (TDSAT), the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity (APTEL), the Appellate Tribunal for Foreign Exchange (ATFE) and other judicial forums. Ms Tiwari has been advising and representing clients like Indiabulls Housing Finance Ltd., Tata Sky Ltd. etc.

Ms. Tiwari's in depth understanding of civil and commercial law makes her one of the finest arbitration lawyers of India. She has legally represented various multinational corporations, Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and also the Government of India in some of rather complex international litigation and arbitration matters.

Ms. Tiwari has also spearheaded several legal matters spread across various sectors such as pharmaceuticals, energy, securities, commodity trading, foreign exchange regulation, international construction, maritime and shipping, telecom, entertainment and media, broadcasting, intellectual property, mines and minerals and tax issues. She has a very extensive and a unique experience in Investment Treaty Arbitrations.

Ms. Tiwari has an established practice for ICC, LCIA and ICDR arbitrations in various commercial inter-party disputes. Her specialty is Dispute Resolution. She holds the following honorable positions in the international sphere of Arbitration:

- *Councillor, London Court of International Arbitration – North India Users Council*
- *Empanelled Arbitrator with the Construction Industry Arbitration Association*
- *Secretary General, Union International des Advocates- India Chapter (Paris based)*

Ms. Mamta Tiwari has been ranked by Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2014 and Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2013 amongst leading dispute resolution lawyers. Ms. Tiwari was recommended as a dispute resolution lawyer by **Asia Pacific Legal 500**, for its editions in the year 2005-2006, 2004-2005 & 2003-2004 editions. She has been recognized for litigation and arbitration practice by **Asia Law-Leading Lawyers 2005**.

Ms. Tiwari has also been constantly ranked in the top 10 Individual Dispute Resolution lawyers by Asia Pacific Legal 500.

Ms. Tiwari has been ranked by **Chambers and Partners UK in 2010 and 2011** to be amongst the leading dispute resolution lawyers in India, being *“extremely impressive and meticulous”* (as quoted in *Chambers and Partners*).

Asia Pacific Legal 500, 2012 has recommended Ms. Tiwari for *“representing clients in arbitration and litigation within many sectors including pharmaceuticals and energy. Recent highlights include representing a Portuguese company in a contractual dispute in the energy sector... has a strong track record representing clients in investment treaty arbitration”* (a direct quotation from *Asia Pacific Legal 500*).

Few publications of Ms. Tiwari include the following:

- *“Working of the Indian Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996”*- Corporate Guide to International Arbitration, published by CyWorks Plc. Roman House, London
- *“Legal Privilege & Confidentiality in India”* in an International Hand Book published by International Bar Association (IBA).
- *“Investment Arbitration”* – UIA-India Chapter, February, 2008



Ms. Ritwika Nanda holds a LL.M. (2011) in International Business Laws from University College London, United Kingdom. Her practice area involves corporate litigation, banking & finance litigation.

She has considerable experience in spearheading litigation of civil and commercial nature before various regulatory Tribunals, High Courts at Delhi, Chandigarh, Patna, Himachal

Pradesh and the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

Ms. Nanda has represented Fortune 500 companies in various concurrent litigations matters pertaining to infrastructure, media, broadcasting, civil, property, banking laws, corporate fraud and commercial arbitration.

Ms. Nanda's vast experience includes:

- Handling over 400 matters on behalf of SITI Networks Ltd. before the TDSAT.
- Representing Tata Consultancy Services before the National Green Tribunal.
- Representing Essel MSW Energia Ltd. before the Hon'ble Delhi High Court.
- Represented SA Infrastructure in multiple litigations before the Delhi High Court.
- Represented ITCOL before Delhi High Court, DRT and High Court of Himachal Pradesh.
- Represented Gujarat Power Corporation before Competition Commission of India.
- Representing Reddy Structures Pvt. Ltd. before the NGT for challenging the ban on construction in Bangalore.
- Representing ZEEL in numerous commercial litigations arising out of share subscription agreements.
- Being a member of Internal Complaints Committee of numerous companies under POSH.
- Heading numerous internal investigation committees formed to investigate the commissioning of white collar crimes.



Ms. Petal Chandhok is a Partner with Trust Legal and is spearheading litigation pertaining to entertainment, music, media laws, healthcare, real estate and infrastructure laws. Apart from being a seasoned legal strategist, she also leads the general corporate advisory practice of the firm.

Ms. Chandhok is at the forefront in matters pertaining to copyright infringement with a strong focus on music. She regularly advises Music Labels on their acquisition and licensing of music repertoire. She frequently appears before the Supreme Court of India, various High Courts (at Delhi, Karnataka, Hyderabad, Mumbai, Uttarakhand) and other regulatory forums.

In addition to her LL.B. degree, Ms. Chandhok also holds a B.A. (Hons.) degree in History and a MA in Comparative Religion.

Ms. Chandhok's vast experience includes:

- Representing Inverso-Kronoz, Inc. in an overseas litigation in Dallas, Texas, USA.
- Representing and arguing in multiple copyright infringement matters.
- Representing Zee Music against various music labels like Saregama India Ltd.
- Initiating trademark and copyright prosecutions before the respective registries.
- Being a member of Internal Complaints Committee of leading media companies under PoSH

Clients represented:



BW BUSINESSWORLD BW EDUCATION BW SMARTCITIES



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delhi heart & lung institute
Super Speciality Hospital





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