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ARUN SHARMA

Exuberant and experienced professional with a strong background in Intellectual property law, dedicated to providing exceptional patent prosecution and intellectual property services. Offering comprehensive knowledge of Indian patent laws and procedures, coupled with a proven track record of successfully drafting, filing, and prosecuting patent applications. Seeking to leverage my expertise to contribute to a dynamic and innovative organization.

EXECUTIVE PROFILE

Arun is a Patent Professional with 16+ years of experience in handling various functions in a patent life cycle ranging from patent draft, prior art/novelty searches, invalidation searches, IP market analysis, competitor analysis, claim to product mappings, landscapes, invention ideation support, IP cell set-up, etc. to drafting prosecution for Indian and US patent Applications, attending Hearings as well as Patent Litigations. He is a Mechanical engineer, has done his LLB, and is a registered Indian Patent Agent. He is currently working as an Associate Partner with one of the top IP firms, Rahul Chaudhry and Partners.

He has a variety of experiences ranging from various law firms and KPOs to the in-house IPR industry. His wide experience insights him into the existence and scope of Intellectual Property in multiple domains inclusive of tapping and handling clients.

EDUCATION AND CREDENTIALS

- Bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering, Gujarat University
- LLB
- Registered Indian Patent Agent (IN 4943)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ASSOCIATE PARTNER | RAHUL CHAUDHRY AND PARTNERS | APRIL 2021 – TILL DATE

- Drafted high-quality Patent applications in compliance with Indian patent laws and regulations.
- Strategically prosecuted patent applications, including responding to office actions and ensuring effective communication with the Indian Patent Office.
- Collaborated with inventors, attorneys, and stakeholders to gather necessary technical and legal information for patent filings.
- Prepared and filed responses to examination reports, including claim amendments and arguments to overcome rejections.
- Prepared landscapes and whitespaces as a part of business development for the exponential growth of the company.
- Attended hearings for utility and design patents as well as pre & post oppositions at various patent offices.

- Drafted Appeals, oppositions, and Legal agreements such as Non-Disclosure Agreements and confidentiality Agreements as well as Legal Notices.
- Drafted Patent Licensing Agreements.
- Prepared responses to Trademark examination report.
- Attended various workshop and conference on Intellectual property rights including Copyrights too.

GROUP MANAGER | JNS INSTRUMENTS LIMITED (JPM GROUP) | AUGUST 2013 – APRIL 2021

- Provided strategic guidance on intellectual property matters, focusing on patent portfolio management, risk assessment, and patent prosecution.
- Drafted, reviewed, and negotiated IP-related agreements, including licensing agreements, joint development agreements, and confidentiality agreements.
- Managed patent prosecution activities, including drafting patent applications, responding to office actions, and overseeing global patent filing strategies.
- Collaborated closely with research and development teams to identify patentable inventions and develop effective patent strategies.
- Conducted due diligence for IP-related transactions, including mergers, acquisitions, and licensing deals.
- Assisted in patent litigation matters, including preparing for depositions, discovery, and trial strategy.
- Advised on patent infringement and validity analyses and provided opinions to internal stakeholders.
- Developed and conducted internal training sessions on intellectual property best practices.

PATENT ASSOCIATE | ANAND ANDANAND | JANUARY 2011 – 2013

PATENT ANALYST | PANGAEA 3 | JANUARY 2010 – 2011

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE | LAXMIKUMARAN AND SRIDHARAN | JUNE 2008 – DECEMBER 2009

- Conducted thorough prior art searches and patentability assessments to assist clients in determining the viability of their inventions.
- Drafted high-quality patent applications in compliance with Indian patent laws and regulations.
- Conducted patent landscape analyses to identify potential competitors and assess the patent landscape in relevant technology domains.
- Provided expert advice on patent-related matters, including patent infringement, validity, and freedom-to-operate analyses.

KEY IMPACT AREAS

- Managing and leading the Mechanical team
- Drafting Appeals for Patent litigations
- Preparing Pre- and Post-grant oppositions
- Drafting of provisional, complete, and patent of Addition applications
- Novelty and Invalidation searches
- Design searches
- Drafting of Response to FER (Patents and Trademark) at the Indian patent office
- Attending hearings and preparing written submissions for utility as well as design patents

- Experienced in review of Legal agreements such as NDA and confidentiality Agreements
- Drafting of LEGAL Notices
- Client interactions and presentations on awareness about IPR in the group
- Managed IPR portfolio for an in-house giant including their IP innovations and development
- Prominently active in Business Development operations
- Multi-tasking, Process Improvement, Product development, Resource Management and Client Interaction

INVENTIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

- Inventor in 16 Indian patent Applications and a granted Patent in the field of Electro-mechanical domain
- A certification course on Intellectual Property Rights from FICCI

PERSONAL DETAILS

- Date of Birth: March 24, 1986
- Current Location: New Delhi, India
- Marital Status: Married
- Languages familiar with: English, Hindi, Gujarati, Punjabi, Assamese, Bengali, Bhojpuri