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Practice:

Intellectual Property

Education:

LL.B., RGSOIPL, IIT Kharagpur (2009)
B.E. (Electronics and Telecom), Amravati
University (2006)

Professional Affiliations:

Bar Council of Delhi
Registered Patent Agent (2008)
Registered Trademark Agent (2010)

Nikhil Ranjan is a Counsel in Intellectual Property group in the Mumbai Office. He specialises in patents, designs, plant variety protection and biological diversity matters which includes audits, prosecutions, enforcements, contentious matters, and management.

Nikhil has advised on IP diligences, patent transactional matters, patent licensing matters and technology transfers. He has also assisted in representing clients before the Intellectual Property Appellate Board and various High Courts in relation to Patents and Design matters.

Nikhil works extensively on patent drafts, product audits, freedom to operate/ non-infringement opinions, invalidity opinions and patent prosecution. He has also widened his technical area to include mechanics, automobile engineering, nanotechnology, medical devices, physics, and materials.

He has been involved in training and lecturing at RGNIPM, Government of India.

Representative Matters:

In his area of expertise, Nikhil has advised and represented the following clients:

- **TVS Motor Company Limited** on patent drafts, non-infringement opinions, product audits, freedom to operate opinions and invalidity opinions;
- **Godrej & Boyce Mfg. Co. Ltd.** on patent drafts, design applications, enforcements and a design infringement suit filed by Whirlpool against Godrej before the City Civil & Sessions Judge, Bangalore and Karnataka High Court;
- **CDE Asia Limited** on patent drafts, design applications, patent oppositions, design cancellation and a patent and design infringement suit;
- **Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay** on patent drafts;
- **Sanofi Deutschland GmbH** on pre-litigation issues concerning a product;
- **Honda Motor Co. Ltd., Sony Corporation, Qualcomm Incorporated, Motorola Mobility Inc, Alcatel Lucent, Corning Incorporated, Lakshmi Machine Works Limited, Denso**

Corporation, Excel Corporation, Maschinenfabrik Rieter AG, Ather Energy, etc on patent applications;

- **Thomson Licensing, Motorola Mobility, Inc., Alcatel-Lucent, Biocon Limited, Dimpledough Inc., Guangxi Liugong Machinery Co., Ltd.** in contentious matters before the Patent Office and Intellectual Property Appellate Board;
- **Magotteaux International SA, Belgium and Magotteaux Industries Private Limited** on patent infringement suit filed against AIA Engineering Limited
- **Star Syringe** on patent infringement suit filed against Tiger Surgical before the Delhi High Court;
- **Nath Pulp & Paper Mills Limited** on patent infringement suit filed by Biltube Industries before Pune District Court and Bombay High Court;
- **Solux Corporation** on writ petition filed by Trichem before the Bombay High Court;
- An **European industrial engineering company** on prospective patent infringement suit;
- **EGIS RAIL** on patent related issues in respect of Kochi Metro Rail Project;
- An **Indian textile company** on matter before the United States International Trade Commission;
- **Harirani Investment and Trading Private Limited (HPTL)** on Plant Variety registrations as part of the transaction involving acquisition of Vikram Seeds Private Limited;
- Advised on clauses related to Intellectual Property in the Business Transfer Agreement and drafting of patent license agreement in relation to acquisition of Vijai Electricals Limited's Hyderabad based power transformer, distribution transformer, and switchgear businesses by **Toshiba Corporation**;
- Advised on patent agreements filed before USPTO and World Intellectual Property Organization on an investment by Yes Pharma in Stereokem Inc;
- **Meiji Seika Pharma** on patent due diligence as part of the transaction involving acquisition of Medreich Limited and its subsidiaries;
- **Temasek** on patent due diligence (including technical diligence) as part of the transaction involving Temasek's investment in Intas Pharmaceuticals;
- An **information technology infrastructure management company** on license agreements of various open source code governed by GPL, BSD, MIT, GNU LGPL, MPL, Simplified BSD, Apache;
- **Monsanto India Limited** on patent-related aspects of a web portal; and

- A **mobile media company** on copyright and patent infringement issues.