

## Profile



### **Anand Desai** Managing Partner

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#### **Service lines**

- Litigation and Arbitration
- Banking and Financial Services
- Information Technology
- Intellectual Property
- Media and Entertainment
- Corporate and Commercial Law
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Real Estate

#### **Education**

- LL.M, (with Distinction) International Law  
University of Edinburgh, Scotland
- LL.B, Govt Law College, Bombay University
- B.Com, Sydenham College, Bombay  
University

#### **Professional memberships**

- The Bar Council of Maharashtra and Goa
- American Bar Association
- International Bar Association

#### **Languages**

- English
- Gujarati
- Hindi
- Marathi

Anand has extensive specialist experience in the fields of banking laws, financial services, M&A, intellectual property rights, media and entertainment, real estate, and outsourcing issues. Anand advises various large corporates, funds and high networth individuals on diverse issues and has experience in advising the shipping and aviation industry.

#### **Specific expertise**

Anand has been involved in a several crucial projects in diverse areas of law including:

- Litigation and Arbitration before the Bombay High Court, the Supreme Court of India and international arbitrations;
- Real Estate development and redevelopment projects, construction contracts, structuring and advising on statutory and contractual rights, stamp duty, tax;
- Banking and Financial Services: advising leading nationalised, co-operative and foreign banks and finance companies, advising leading mutual funds, asset management companies and trusts, including on structuring and loan acquisitions;
- FDI : advising several funds in the course of their private equity and distressed asset funding of Indian corporates, including structuring advise;
- Intellectual Property and Technology Laws: copyright and trade mark cyberlaws;
- Corporate Laws: advising on IPO's and other securities issues (domestic and overseas – bonds and GDRs), investment and joint venture structuring, mergers, amalgamations and acquisitions, WTO compliance issues, corporate due diligence.

#### **Professional activities**

Anand is listed as one of the leading lawyers in India in the Whos Who Legal (an International Bar Association publication) for Commercial Litigation, Real Estate, M&A and Regulatory Communication, and also in Chambers Global, PLC Which Lawyer, IFLR, and Asia-Pacific Legal 500.

Anand has been a speaker at various fora including CII, ASSOCHAM, Indo-American Chamber of Commerce GOOS (1, 2 and 4), Economist Corporate Network, SILF, Indian Film Festival at Los Angeles, Wisconsin Department of Trade, University of Wisconsin etc., addressing a wide range of issues.

Anand is currently National President of the Indo-American Chamber of Commerce and has also served and continues to serve on various committees, including of the Indian Merchants Chamber, CII, and the International section of the American Bar Association. He is also a director of NRB Bearings Ltd., Motilal Oswal Investment Advisors Pvt. Ltd., Powerica Limited and a member of the Advisory Board of the Welingkar Institute for their program on Business Management for Legal Professionals.