

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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Educational Qualifications: B.A [Eng.Hons.] LLB.

Work Experience: (i) Practicing in Calcutta High Court and various district Courts and Tribunals. Areas of work include conveyancing, matters relating to immovable property, testamentary and succession matters, intellectual property, information technology, commercial contracts and company matters. Providing consultancy services to clients, both within and outside the country.

(ii) ITC Limited, Corporate Legal Department, Kolkata (1999–2012) – Handled litigation as well as issues relating to trade marketing and distribution, Intellectual Property, and the Information Technology business of the Company. Worked with companies in India and abroad, participating in negotiations, contract finalization, dealing with HR issues and statutory compliances.

(iii) M/s. Khanna & Co., Advocates and Solicitors, Kolkata (1993–1999) – Experience in litigation, consumer disputes, commercial cases and property matters.

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Professional Engagements: (i) External member of the Internal Complaints Committee under the Sexual Harassment of Women (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013, in various organizations; regularly conducting seminars and workshops for the employees and management.

(ii) Member of Women's Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry (WICCI)- Legal Awareness Council (Eastern Region)

(iii) Member of the Executive Committee of the Loreto College Alumnae Association.

(iv) Served as independent director in Bollore Logistics India Ltd., Kankaria Court, 7, Kyd Street, Kolkata 700 016, a multi-national freight and logistics company, as well as on various statutory committees of the company.

(v) Associated with several non-profit organizations working in the areas of education of under privileged children, women's welfare and environmental concerns.

Areas of interest:

- (i) Gender issues: involved in several health initiatives and self-help projects for women & the girl child; conducted programs for legal rights awareness for women;
- (ii) Education: participation in programs to impart basic education and communication skills to underprivileged children.

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