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## ABOUT US

Singularity is an Asia and Africa focused international disputes boutique, established in August 2017. Since then, we have handled over US\$ 3 billion in cross-border disputes across jurisdictions and industries.

## OUR REACH

These disputes were in various parts of the world including the Bahamas, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Canada, Egypt, Hong Kong, India, Israel, Italy, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Nigeria, Malaysia, Oman, Philippines, Turkey, UAE, UK, USA, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Singapore and Somalia.



# RECOGNITION

We are widely recognised as market leaders.



Tier 2 in India for arbitration (2021)



Top 6 Boutique Firms in Asia-Pacific for dispute resolution;  
Tier 3 in India for international arbitration (2021)



Best Law Firm in India for international arbitration & white-collar crime (2021)



Law Firm: Moving the litigation finance market forward (2021)  
Top 5 in Asia-Pacific for dispute resolution (2019)



Top Law Firms in India for arbitration and white-collar crime (2020)



Notable Firm (2022)



Oil & Gas Law Firm of the Year (2020)



India Firms to Watch (2021)  
Trailblazer (2020)  
Rising Law Firm (2019)



Rising Law Firm (2019)



Top 50 Law Firms in India (2019)

# INDUSTRY FOCUS

# CONSTRUCTION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



We provide innovative advice on complex disputes associated with conventional, nuclear, hydroelectric and renewable power, and oil & gas facilities across the energy value chain worldwide.

We serve the construction industry globally in some of the highest value, complex international projects for building industrial plants, civil infrastructure, mining infrastructure, real estate, and ships and port.

## ENERGY AND RESOURCES





# SHIPPING AND INSURANCE



We utilise our wealth of experience in dealing with financial disputes across sectors, coupled with our ability to navigate through complex business issues, to efficiently resolve equity and debt investment disputes.

We advise across the full spectrum of the shipping, offshore, ports dredging, and marine insurance market on high value and complex commercial and regulatory disputes.

# PRIVATE EQUITY AND FINANCE



# SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT



We advise the sports and entertainment industry in their contractual, financial, disciplinary and doping disputes, across dispute resolution forums and jurisdictions.

# INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND BUSINESS



We effectively address a broad range of trades disputes designed to match the scope of global manufacturing and trade, and to answer our client needs wherever and whenever they arise.



# PRACTICE AREAS

# ARBITRATION



We help clients navigate all types of large-scale and complex commercial litigations on a global basis, before all types of trial, appellate, and regulatory courts and tribunals around the world.

We provide advice and advocacy in investment treaty and commercial arbitrations, conducted under all major international arbitration rules and governed by distinct laws.

# LITIGATION



# ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

We meet the client's objective of speedy resolution of disputes through ADR mechanisms like mediation, conciliation, negotiation and dispute resolution boards.

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We advise individuals and corporates on white-collar crimes and asset tracing matters in sensitive-crisis management situations and have handled high-profile scams, scandals and frauds across jurisdictions.

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## FRAUD AND INVESTIGATION



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# GLOBAL ENFORCEMENT AND DEBT RECOVERY



We have assisted clients in large and complex debt collection matters relating to monies due under contracts as well as under judgments or awards, across several courts and tribunals worldwide.

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We help funders identify the true potential of a claim portfolio and help litigants raise finance as a strategic tool to transform disputes from cost-centres to revenue-generators.

## LITIGATION FINANCE





# SOCIAL IMPACT

## PLAY TRUE

The Play True initiative seeks to create awareness on anti-doping laws in sports and provide pro-bono representation to underprivileged athletes in doping disputes.



The Expert Talk initiative seeks to provide continued education to professionals through freely accessible seminars, webinars and a digital library of blogs, alerts, insights and talks on dispute resolution and litigation finance.



# CONSULTING STRATEGY

# INTERDEPENDENT MODULARITY



**We have left the baggage that comes with an old-school consulting model for interdependent modularity.**

- We deploy a mix of internal and external experts in a synchronised but modular team.
- While these experts are interdependent on each other, they possess different core domain expertise.
- This helps the client benefit from the best domain expertise from across the board, without any duplication of work within the team of different experts.
- It avoids the need to manage multiple teams, or rely on one team with limited experience on different areas of expertise.
- This reduces costs and management time of the client, and increases the quality of the teams product.
- This also helps maintain legal privilege on all communication relating to the project.
- In the end, it provides a cheaper, faster, safer and better work product to the client.



# PRACTICE HEAD

## PRATEEK BAGARIA PARTNER

Partner with Singularity and an international disputes specialist with a decade of experience in complex commercial cross-border disputes. Legal 500 describes him as “*responsive and dynamic*” and “*a very driven individual and a good lawyer who handles clients well*”. He possesses the domain expertise in advising funders and litigants seeking litigation finance.

### Client Testimonial

*“Prateek Bagaria leads an exceptional up and coming team with a commercial and highly strategic approach to complex international disputes. One of the best international disputes offerings in India.”*

**-Mr. Tom Glasgow, CIO (Asia) of Omni Bridgeway**

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# ACHIEVEMENTS

Prateek's notable recognitions over the years.

## ASIAN LEGAL BUSINESS

India's Top Disputes Lawyers  
(2020)



Top Managing Partner in  
India (2020)



Future Leader in Commercial  
Litigation (2021)



Future Star (2021)  
Future Leader in International Arbitration and  
Dispute Resolution (2020)



Young Achiever of the Year (2021)  
40 under 40 Rising Star of the Year  
(2018)

# EXPERIENCE



# ARBITRATION – TOP CASES BY SIZE OF DISPUTE



Description	Value	Opponent	Seat	Institution
Shareholder disputes in a thermal power plant construction project in Maharashtra	US\$ 1.1bn	Korean state-owned enterprise	Singapore	SIAC
Dispute under an EPC contract for conversion of a mobile offshore drilling unit into a mobile offshore production unit	US\$ 265mn	Indian state-owned enterprise	India	Ad hoc
Dispute under a joint venture agreement of an upstream oil and gas company with assets in India, Nigeria, and Myanmar	US\$ 191mn	Indian oil and gas companies	Singapore	SIAC
Dispute under an EPC contract for construction of a biofuel plant in the Philippines	US\$ 100mn	Australian employer	Singapore	SIAC
Dispute under a consortium agreement for a rig conversion project	US\$ 100mn	Abu Dhabi shipyard	Singapore	SIAC
Disputes under an investment agreement for alleged misrepresentations and fraud against an Indian media company	US\$ 60mn	Hong Kong bank	Singapore	SIAC
Disputes of a Kuwaiti private equity to secure the exit in terms of the investment agreement	US\$ 30mn	Indian logistics company	India	Ad-hoc
Disputes of an American private equity, under an investment agreement, for breach of the condition subsequent in terms of the agreement	US\$ 20mn	Indian real estate developer	India	Ad-hoc

Disputes of an American private equity, under an investment agreement to secure their exit	US\$ 20mn	Indian publishing house	India	Ad-hoc
Dispute of a Finnish sovereign bank for default in re-payment of loans	US\$ 20mn	Indian real estate borrower	Helsinki	FCC



## LITIGATION FINANCE

- Representing a leading global litigation funder for its investment in an Indian portfolio concerning 10 mega infrastructure projects.
- Representing a multinational company to raise finance for a portfolio of disputes across their energy, resources, engineering, shipping and dredging divisions in Singapore, UK, UAE and India.
- Representing an energy company to raise finance for a billion-dollar dispute against a state-owned entity.
- Representing a sports broadcasting company to raise finance for a multi-million dollar dispute.
- Advising an English litigation funder on entry strategies into and structures for the Indian market.
- Representing a leading global litigation funder for its investment in a portfolio concerning 2 mega infrastructure projects in Saudi Arabia.
- Representing an Australian HNI investor to raise finance for his investment treaty dispute against a state entity.
- Representing a Canadian national to raise finance for his dispute against a leading cryptocurrency exchange.
- Representing an Indian multinational bank to raise finance for its recovery against various debtors.
- Representing an Indian public sector bank to raise finance for its recovery against various debtors.

- Advising Singaporean companies in several civil and criminal disputes against local partners and coal mining and logistics company concerning fraud and diversion of business (Singapore High Court and Indonesian courts)
- Advising two Singaporean companies in a debt recovery proceeding by an Indian bank under a facility agreement (Singapore High Court)
- Advising a Mauritian fund in a litigation against LPs in a mismanagement action and other regulator enquires (Supreme Court of Mauritius)
- Advising an Indian investor in his dispute against the English joint venture partner with respect to his investment in an English bespoke jewellery designing software company (UK High Court, Queen's Bench Commercial Division)
- Advising an Indian company in an insurance litigation against an Indian underwriter under a hull and machinery insurance policy (UK High Court, Queen's Bench Division)
- Advising a Singaporean company in a charter party dispute against an Italian company (Singapore High Court)
- Advising an Indian company in their dispute with an American law firm for non-payment of legal fees (US District Court, Massachusetts)
- Advising an Indian exporter in its dispute with a leading Singaporean supplier under a purchase agreement for cotton fibres (Singapore High Court)
- Advising an Indian Oil and Gas engineering company in construction dispute and guarantee enforcement litigation against a Abu Dhabi shipyard before courts in Abu Dhabi (Abu Dhabi Court of First Instance, Court of Appeal and Court of Cassation)
- Advising an Indian engineering company in a bank guarantee injunction litigation against a Turkish employer (Commercial Court, Istanbul Court)
- Advising an Indian Company in a bank guarantee recovery litigation against an Abu Dhabi Bank (DIFC, Dubai)
- Advising three Indonesian and two Singapore companies in a series of loan default litigations against an Indian Bank's Singapore and DIFC branch (Jakarta District Court, Indonesia)

- Representing an American private equity and its American subsidiary in a litigation against bond holders of an Indian company, arising out of sale of assets by the Indian company to the US subsidiary (Bombay High Court)
- Representing a South-Korean sovereign bank in its dispute with respect to the wrongful invocation of a performance bank guarantee (Gujarat High Court)
- Representing an Indian oil & gas company in its dispute against a Singaporean services company under an MWD services' agreement for non-payment of monies (National Company Law Tribunal – Mumbai)
- Representing an Israeli company in an insolvency proceeding against an Indian creditor for non-payment of dues (National Company Law Tribunal – Delhi)
- Representing a German company and its Chinese and Indian subsidiaries in their dispute with an Indian company for alleged deficiency in supply of solar pumps (Jalgaon District Court)
- Representing a German company in their dispute with an Indian subsidiary of a German distillery for non-payment of contractual dues (Madras High Court)
- Representing a UAE aircraft services company in enforcement proceedings of a SIAC award against an Indian helicopter services company (Bombay High Court)
- Representing an international group in a local recovery proceeding against an Indian NBFC (Bombay High Court)
- Representing a Singapore company in relation to a fraud in purchasing assets through NCLT (NCLT)



# FRAUD AND INVESTIGATION PRACTICE



## **Fraud Investigations**

- Investigation on the Indonesian coal mining and logistic operations of a Singapore Company for fraud and diversion of business, and representing them in civil and criminal litigations arising from the investigations.
- Investigation on the oil and gas operations of a Singapore Company for fraud and diversion of business, and representing in them SIAC arbitration arising from the investigations.
- Investigations on a technology park for fraud and oppression on behalf of the minority shareholders.
- Investigations on an online-jewellery business and its promoter on behalf of the angel investors.
- Investigations on a cryptocurrency arbitrage fraud on behalf of an investor.

## **Corporate Scams**

- Advising, one of the largest trading houses in the world in relation to the Rotomac scam in India.
- Advising a Mauritius private equity in relation to the Jagan Mohan Reddy scam in India.
- Advising an Indian national accused to be an accomplice in the Raj Rajaratnam scam in USA.
- Advising a whole-time director accused in the Satyam scam in India and related class-action proceedings in USA and UK.
- Advising a private equity firm in an investigation in connection with the 2G spectrum scam in India.



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