



Practice:Real Estate

Education:

B.Com., LL.B., G J Advani Law College, Mumbai (2005)

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Amit Wadhwani is a Counsel in the Real Estate practice group in the Mumbai office. Prior to joining the Firm, Amit was a director at Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas (Mumbai).

Amit specializes in real estate matters and routinely advices clients on title investigation in respect of various types of lands and premises, drafting and negotiating documents in relation to acquisition, leasing and sale of land and commercial or residential premises. He also advises clients RERA, rules, regulations and guidelines prescribed by various Government bodies such as MIDC, GIDC, MCGM, SRA and MMRDA, Maharashtra IT/ITES and integrated industrial area policies, guidelines relating to establishment of logistic parks and data centre in Maharashtra, and also on environmental laws relating to real estate construction.

Representative Matters:

In his areas of expertise, Amit has represented and advised the following clients:

- Apax Partners on title due diligence of various assets of Patni Computers by iGate Computer, in relation to acquisition of Patni Computer by iGae Computers;
- Hospira INC on title due diligence and acquisition of industrial plots belonging to Orchid Chemicals at Aurangabad, MIDC and Chennai;
- CESC Group in drafting and finalising various templates agreements to be used by the Client for entering into leave and license arrangements with various occupants who would be occupying premises in its retail mall known as 'The Quest', in Kolkata;
- Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation on formulating guidelines for allotment and transfer of industrial lands being developed by its subsidiary, Aurangabad Industrial Township Limited for its Phase-1 Industrial City located at Shendra-Bidkin Industrial Area;
- Mahindra & Mahindra Group in relation to acquisition of various properties / industrial plots by the Client in Pune, Raigad and Kerala;
- Milestone Capital Advisors on issue pertaining to environmental laws in relation to construction of an IT Park known as "247 Park" at Vikhroli belonging to HCC Construction. This advice was sought by the Client for

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finalising a private equity sale by the Client in favour of Blackstone Group;

- Metrod Holdings, Malaysia on title due diligence and acquisition of The Leela Hotel, Goa;
- RP Sanjiv Goenka Group on acquisition of leasehold rights of an industrial plot in GIDC, Baroda and in Rajkot;
- A reputed developer on title diligence and acquisition of large parcels of land in Suburban Mumbai belonging to a public charitable trust, a portion of which is also encroached by slum dwellers and a SRA scheme is being implemented;
- A sovereign fund of Singapore on the title of Lodha Developers to large tracts of agricultural lands in Panvel, which has been notified as an Integrated Industrial Area for setting up and operating a logistic park;
- A sovereign fund of Canada on title due diligence of an owner of a large industrial land situated in Kolkata;
- A leading engine oil manufacturing company on securing allotment of an industrial land in Pune belonging to MIDC; and
- A leading global operator of data center in Singapore, on title due diligence and acquisition of an industrial / factory land situated in Suburban Mumbai for setting up a date center.

Publications and Presentations:

Amit has been very active in the speaking and publication space. He has authored and co-authored some of the following publications:

- "Salient Features of Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016" published in Mondaq and Lexology (March 2016);
- "Deciphering the Legal and Commercial Aspects of RERA" a Joint Paper published by JLL in association with Khaitan & Co., (March 2016);
- "Environment vs Real Estate" published in Metro Realty (August-September 2016) and Mondaq (October 2016);
- "RERA the State Affair" a Joint Paper published by Grant Thornton and FICCI in association with Khaitan & Co (May 2017);
- "RERA Through a Magnifying Glass" a Joint Paper published by Knight Frank in association with Khaitan & Co (May 2017);
- "MAHA RERA brings in much awaited clarity" published in Bar & Bench (November 2017);
- "MAHA RERA Promoter Vs Co-Promoter" published in Bar & Bench (December 2017);



- "Dumping Ground Supreme Court lifts ban on new construction in Mumbai" published in Bar & Bench (March 2018);
- "RERA 2018 A Work in progress" published in Bar & Bench (January 2019);
- Presented as a Speaker and Panelist in an event known as "2nd Annual Real Estate Summit 2019", organised by Inventicon Business Intelligence (January 2019);
- Presented as a Speaker and Panelist in an event known as "Legal Era Gennext Business & Law Congress 2019', organised by Legal Era (March 2019);
- "Analysis of recent Maha RERA directions on change in promoter" published in Mondaq (June 2019)
- "Analysis of Maha RERA Amendment Rule, 2019" published in Mondaq and Lexology (June 2019);
- "Real Estate Ride Through COVID 19 and way forward" published in Business World (April 2020); and
- "Bird's-eye view on post facto environmental clearance" published in Construction World (March 2021).