



Practices: Intellectual Property

Education:

B E. (Electronics & Telecom.) University of Mumbai Post Graduate Diploma in Patent Law from NMIMS University, Mumbai LL.B., University of Mumbai

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Janaksinh S Jhala is a Counsel in the Intellectual Property (IP) Group in the Mumbai office. Janaksinh has focused on patent and design related matters in diverse areas including electrical, electronic, telecommunication, information technology, mechanical engineering, automobile engineering, packaging technologies and allied fields. His expertise includes patent drafting, product audits, freedom to operate/non-infringement opinions, invalidity opinions and patent prosecution. He also advises and assists various clients with enforcements actions and contentious matters relating to intellectual property, and transaction advisory. Hehas regularly featured in IP star rankings.

Representative Matters

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

- Drafted patent specifications for Mercedes-Benz Research and Development, India; Godrej & Boyce; Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay; Mahindra & Mahindra; Huhtamaki Ltd, ACG Group, Larsen & Toubro; Crompton & Greaves; Ather Energy, etc;
- Represented several domestic as well as American, Japanese, European, Chinese and Taiwanese clients before the Indian Patent Office for prosecuting patent and design applications;
- Appeared before the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) for prosecuting a patent application filed at the USPTO by an Indian client;
- Advised a European FMCG company, Indian automobile companies, Indian FMCG Company, Indian and European packaging company on patent and design infringement/freedom to operate related issues;
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- Advised and represented Indian clients on patent oppositions and revocation matters; and
- Conducted due diligences on intellectual property related transactions and audit of intellectual property portfolios, for clients in sectors inter alia relating to manufacturing, healthcare, automotive, biomedical, garments, semiconductors and information technology

Publications and Presentations:

Janaksinh has authored the following contribution:

 Articles on developments in Indian IP law for several publications such as World Trademark Review, Lexology, Mondaq, and Asia IP