DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Overview

Kochhar & Co. has a significant and diversified Dispute Resolution practice covering a wide array of disputes.

- Corporate litigation: The mainstay of the practice is corporate and commercial litigation. We work on numerous cases every year for a raft of multinational and Indian companies. Typically, they involve disputes between joint venture partners, shareholders, and post-acquisition disputes. Some cases are settled, or resolved by way of meditation, while others are litigated heavily through all levels of the courts.
- Arbitration : Our disputes practice is equally strong in both litigation and arbitration. Most of our litigators also have robust arbitration experience, appearing in Indian cases, as well as in international arbitration proceedings conducted before bodies such as the ICC, LCIA, ICDR, SIAC and SAC. We represent numerous private sector businesses and some of the leading public-sector undertakings, in this domain.
- Construction disputes: Our team works on numerous high-profile construction and engineering disputes arising out of infrastructure projects, EPC contracts, real estate developments, transport projects, and other high-stake projects. Several of the construction cases are resolved through arbitration, so we have developed substantial experience and expertise here, as well as in regular court proceedings.
- Writ / Constitutional law practice: We file several writs every year on behalf of our clients challenging government tender conditions or award of tenders. We are also involved in filing writs for quashing of government orders, or punitive actions against clients and have developed a niche in this practice.
- Criminal litigation / White collar crime practice: We are one of the few pan-Indian firms with a robust white collar crimes practice. We have expertise in representing clients before the courts as well as various investigation agencies including Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), Crime Branch, Economic Offences Wing (EOW), Special Investigation Team (SIT), Serious Fraud Investigation Office, Ministry of Corporate Affairs (SFIO), Enforcement Directorate (ED), Department of Revenue Intelligence (DRI), etc.
- Insolvency and Bankruptcy: Our bankruptcy and insolvency litigation practice team represents both creditors (financial as well as operational) and debtors.
- Consumer class actions: These cases have been on the rise in India in recent years, and we handle a large number of them.

The Firm takes pride in the fact that it is involved in some of the most complex and high stake commercial disputes in India. We understand time is of the essence for most strategic litigation and we endeavour to provide practical, workable solutions to the extent possible.

Focus Areas

Commercial Corporate Litigation

International Litigation and Cross-Border Disputes

International & Domestic Arbitration

Criminal Litigation
Mediation and Conciliation
Consumer Class Actions
Insolvency & Bankruptcy
Regulatory Litigation

Key Practice Differentiators

- As one of India's leading full-service law firms, Kochhar & Co. has a large litigation practice with 60 dedicated litigators
- Pan-India presence with accomplished litigators in offices across India
- Our lawyers regularly appear before various district courts across the country, almost all the High Courts in India, and the Supreme Court
- Our litigators regularly argue cases themselves before courts, arbitral tribunals and regulatory authorities rather than instructing senior counsels in all matters
- On a regular basis, Kochhar lawyers work in tandem on criminal cases and parallel civil proceedings
- Our strong network of local counsels support us in adopting local practices and procedures and attend to matters in the most judicious manner
- With a majority of our clients comprising of multinational companies, we have a credible experience of working with clients in multiple jurisdictions
- Kochhar & Co. has an impressive roster of international companies that retain the firm to handle their disputes. Leading foreign law firms across the globe refer work to us on a regular basis.

Awards & Recognitions

- Forbes India Legal Powerlist 2020 Top Law Firm for Arbitration Forbes India Legal Powerlist
- Legal 500 Asia Pacific as a Top-Tier Firm for Dispute Resolution (2018-2021)
 Legal 500
- Benchmark Litigation Ranked Firm for International Arbitration 2021
 Benchmark Litigation
- Ranked by Chambers Global and Chambers Asia Pacific for Dispute Resolution (2018-2021)
 Chambers & Partners
- India Legal Awards for the Best Disputes Resolution Firm of the Year 2017-2018
 India Legal Awards

- IBLJ Deal of the Year Award 2016
 IBLJ
- Krishna Vijay Singh has been recognised by Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2021 as Recommended Lawyer for Dispute Resolution. He was
 also recognised amongst India's Top 100 Lawyers by Forbes Legal Powerlist 2020 for expertise in White Collar Crime and
 Arbitration. In 2021, he was recognised as the Dispute Resolution Lawyer by Asia Legal Business
 Legal 500 | Forbes Legal Powerlist | ALB
- Nishant Menon has been recognised among India's Top 100 Lawyers by Forbes Legal Powerlist 2020, as Recommended Lawyer for Dispute Resolution by Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2021
 Forbes Legal Powerlist | Legal 500
- Manish Dembla has been recognised for Dispute Resolution, New Delhi by Chambers & Partners Asia-Pacific 2021 and Chambers and Partners Global 2021. He has also been recognised as one of the Future Legal Leaders of India for Arbitration & ADR, Infrastructure, Litigation and White Collar Crime by India Business Law Journal 2020
 Chambers & Partners | IBLJ