PROFILE



Partner
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Qualifications

B.Sc (Hons) Law and Chemistry, University of Keele, UK Barrister-at-Law, Lincoln's Inn Advocate & Solicitor, High Court of Malaya Registered Patent Agent Registered Trademark Agent Registered Industrial Design Agent

Languages English, Malay

JYESHTA MAHENDRAN

ABOUT JYESHTA

Jyeshta is a qualified Patent, Trademark and Industrial Design Agent. She has broad ranging experience in Intellectual Property (IP) and advises predominantly on transactional, prosecution, advisory and regulatory work relating to various aspects of IP. As a seasoned IP practitioner for over 2 decades, Jyeshta features regularly in major corporate acquisitions and transaction deals which have included several multinational organisations globally. Her qualification as both a Trademark and Patent Agent has set her apart as a single stop consultative IP counsel given her grasp of the peculiarities arising out of transactional deals. She runs a comprehensive patent and trademark prosecution practice managing major and large market players from various industries. Her core practice areas include particular emphasis on the protection, maintenance and enforcement of IP rights including IP related agreements, trademark prosecution, trademark searches and registrability, trademark opposition and rectification proceedings, copyright, patent prosecution and industrial design advisory and prosecution. She also handles cases relating to consumer laws, advertising, franchising, sponsorship, merchandising, media, consumer protection, domain names and regulatory approvals for food and drugs, health and cosmetics and also assists with IP enforcement through relevant government agencies. Jyeshta also advises on competition laws, including the interaction between Competition and IP rights and also data privacy laws and compliance issues relating to the collection and use of personal data.

EXPERIENCE

Transactional

She has been instrumental in concluding the IPR aspects seamlessly in major corporation deals such
as DKSH Holdings (Malaysia) Berhad which received much press attention in the SEA region. She
has also acted for various clients in corporate transactions where IP considerations including IP
advisory and regulatory issues play a paramount role in the acquisition. One such transaction is for
DKSH Holdings Sdn. Bhd in its commercial acquisition of Auric Pacific (M) Sdn. Bhd which involved
multiple issues including due diligence and advisory issues given the numerous brands acquired at
the successful conclusion of the project.

Prosecution & Advisory

• She is involved in advising and handling the local and foreign IP portfolios of various organisations including companies such as IHH Healthcare Berhad, Parkway Holdings Limited, Astro Malaysia Holdings Berhad, Nippon Paint Malaysia Sdn Bhd, Reckitt Benckiser and Filtex Marketing Sdn Bhd. Her portfolio management often calls for tailored IP consultation and compliance which is subject to patents, trademark clearance, trademark prosecution, drafting and review of various agreements, streamlining of IP ownership, risk analysis and comprehensive filing and prosecution strategies to ensure compliance with local laws along with compliance with international treaties such as the Madrid Protocol.

ACCOLADES

Asialaw Leading Lawyers (2017 - 2019)

"Leading Lawyer" in Competition & Antitrust and Intellectual Property

Leading lawyer Jyeshta Mahendran is "very efficient in processing trade mark application[s] and responds very promptly to inquiries," adds another client. – Asialaw Profiles 2018

"Jyeshta is always on top of matters, is very responsive, accessible and provides advise promptly." – Asialaw Profiles 2022

"Responsiveness, high-quality work, regular updates on the status of the matters; and proactive with recommendations, good problem-solving skills." – Asialaw Profiles 2022

- Asia IP Experts (2015, 2017, 2019 2021, 2023, 2024)
 Leading lawyer" for Trademark and Copyright
- Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific (2022)
 "Very responsive and excellent communication skills." Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific 2022

"Jyeshta is a very experienced and knowledgeable lawyer. She is friendly, accessible and is prompt in her responses and keeping us as a client updated." - Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific 2022

Chambers Asia-Pacific (2023 and 2025)

"Band 4" lawyer in Intellectual Property

"Her experience is evident in providing prompt and sound advice in dealing with an array of IP matters "Chambers Asia Pacific 2025

"Jyestha is highly reliable and prompt. The type of counsel you need on your side." Chambers Asia Pacific 2025

IAM Patent 1000 (2022 and 2023)

"Recommended Lawyer" in Prosecution

IAM Patent 1000 (2024)

"Silver Individual" in Prosecution

"Recommended" in Transactions

"We have been working with Jyeshta for about eight years and are very satisfied by the expertise. She is responsive and capable, providing full and easy-to-understand explanations on the patent work, requirements, process, duration expectation, possible hurdles, delays and maintenance of patents. She also keeps us updated on the patent approval or progression work until it is completed. We now send all our filings to her, due to the quality that she brings" – AM Patent 1000 2024

The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific (2023 and 2024)

"Other Key Lawyer" in Intellectual Property

The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific (2020 and 2021)

"Recommended Lawyer" in Intellectual Property

... and the 'extremely efficient' Jyeshta Mahendran focuses on the protection, maintenance and enforcement of rights. - The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific 2020

"Jyeshta Mahendran keeps the client up to date on progress of trademark applications, provides sound advise and very professional." - The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific 2020

"Another well experienced lawyer who we work with on all IP applications and renewals. She is very prompt in her responses, accessible, professional and her legal opinion is reliable". - The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific 2021

Who's Who Legal (2019 - 2022)

"Global Leader" in Trademarks

Who's Who Legal (2023- 2024)

"Global Leader" in IP Trademarks

Who's Who Legal (2021 - 2024)

"National Leader (Southeast Asia)" in Trademarks

World Trademark Review (2024)

"Silver Tier" in Prosecution and Strategy

"Highly Recommended Individual" in Transactions

World Trademark Review (2013 - 2024)

"Recommended Individual" in Prosecution and Strategy

A client remarked that "with historical knowledge of the business and rights we acquired, Jyeshta provided continuity of service that is first class throughout the acquisition. She is quick to respond and explains options clearly, bringing a professional and commercial approach to business. She knows how to work with both our central global legal function as well as our in-market operating company". — WTR 2021

"On the prosecution front, Jyeshta Mahendran deftly handles portfolio management for local and foreign players". – WTR 2022

WTR Global Leaders : Private Practice (2024)

APPOINTMENTS/MEMBERSHIPS

- Committee Member of the Brands & Innovation Committee of the International Trade Mark Association (INTA)
- Committee Member, Malaysian Intellectual Property Association (MIPA)
- IP Committee Member, IP Committee of the Malaysian Bar Council
- Committee Member, Asia Patent Attorneys Association (APAA)
- Committee Member (Branding & IPR), Federation of Malaysian Manufacturers (FMM)
- Member, International Bar Association (IBA)
- Member, Malaysian Bar

PUBLICATIONS

- Malaysia: An Introduction to Intellectual Property- Chambers and Partners (2024 and 2025)
- IP Licensing: Disadvantages to the Licensor (Asia IP 2024)
- Analysing the Gender Gap and Diversity in IP (Asia IP 2024)
- PCT- The Malaysian Perspective- Lexology (2023) •
- IP Provisions in the CPTPP- Lexology (2023)
- Trends and Developments: The Position of Trademark Disclaimers- Chambers (2023)
- Trends and Developments: The POSITA Position-Ordinary Person or Ordinary Skill -Chambers (2023) •
- Safeguarding Intellectual Property Rights in the Metaverse- Lexology (2023) •
- Interview on Trends in IP in 2023- Asia IP (November 2022)
- Interview on "When IP Goes to War" Asia IP (April 2022)
- Interview on "Data Breaches in the Context of IP Rights Asia IP (September 2021)
- Article on "Moving Images: A new way of advertisement" Asia IP (July 2021)
- Interview on feature article "Preserving Culture and heritage in a Pandemic" Asia IP (March 2021)
- Interview on feature article "Months into the Pandemic- What has been the effect on IP registration" – Asia IP (March 2021)
- Trademark Protection Beyond Borders- Business in Action @ FMM (2020)

- Malaysia's Accession to the Madrid Protocol- Business in Action @ FMM (2020)
- Radio Interview on IP Developments in Malaysia in the last decade with BFM Radio (2019)
- Interview on the feature article "The Curious Case of the Tongkat Ali Extract Patent" Asia IP (2019)
- How Does Competition Law Interact with IP Law- Managing IP (2018)
- IP during Challenging Economic Times Asia IP (2017)
- Business Brief World Trademark Review (2015 and 2016)
- Industrial Design Protection Asia IP (2013)
- Competitive Changes (Competition Act) Asia IP (2011)
- Aiming for an Innovation Economy Managing IP (2011)