



# Kunal Vajani

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**Kunal** is the Joint Managing Partner at Fox & Mandal and a senior dispute resolution practitioner, with strong expertise in litigation, arbitration. His multifaceted practice spans civil, criminal, corporate, commercial, and infrastructure disputes, where he regularly leads high-value and precedent-setting matters before the Supreme Court of India, High Courts, and various Tribunals. He brings a global perspective to his practice and also holds the distinction of being the former Court Member – ICC International Court of Arbitration, Paris. His cross-border exposure and strategic acumen make him a key figure in shaping the firm's dispute resolution practice both in India and internationally. He has been recognised as a 'Recommended lawyer' by Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2024, 'Recognised practitioner' by Chambers and Partners Asia Pacific as well as 'Litigation Star' by Benchmark Litigation Asia Pacific 2025.

## PRACTICE AREAS

Dispute Resolution & Arbitration  
Real Estate  
Government & Regulatory

## RECOGNITIONS

**Asia Super 50 Disputes lawyers**

Asian Legal Business

**Dispute Resolution lawyer of the year**

ALB India Law Awards

**Litigation star**

Benchmark Litigation | Asia Pacific

**Recognised practitioner**

Chambers & Partners | Asia Pacific

**Recommended lawyer**

Legal 500 | Asia Pacific

## EDUCATION

LLB, Government Law College, Mumbai

LLM, Harvard Law School

## MEMBERSHIPS

Solicitor, Supreme Court of England & Wales

Registered practitioner before the DIFC Courts, Dubai

## LANGUAGES

English  
Hindi

## REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

### Municipal Corporation of Delhi

On a challenge to the arbitral award for deciding matters beyond the scope of reference

**Real estate developers and associations including CREDAI-MCHI, Birla Corporation Ltd, Money Magnum Nest Pvt Ltd**

On the validity of grant of *ex post facto* Environmental Clearance (EC) under the Environmental Protection Act, 1986 for projects with admitted environmental violations before the Supreme Court

### JBM Group

On a challenge to blacklisting of JBM entities in a tender floated by the Government of India for supply of electric buses and Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme before the Supreme Court

**In re: Interplay between arbitration agreements under the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 and the Indian Stamp Act, 1899**

On the enforceability of an insufficiently stamped arbitration agreement and jurisdiction of the Arbitral Tribunal to decide the issue, before a 7-judge bench of the Supreme Court of India

### Hydraulics and Pneumatics LLP

On proceedings arising out of acquisition of land at a prime commercial location in Faridabad under Section 18 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894; successfully secured a compensation of INR 350 crores before the Punjab & Haryana High Court and the Supreme Court

### Kanodia Infratech

On setting aside of an arbitral award on the ground of unilateral appointment of the Arbitral Tribunal

### BDR Pharmaceuticals Pvt Ltd

On a suit for patent infringement involving a unique issue of the scope of a product-by-process claim before the Delhi High Court and the Supreme Court

### RDB Primarc Technopark

On its INR 638 crore strategic acquisition of DLF Techpark 1, one of the largest IT parks in Eastern India with a gross leasable area of 1.49 million sq ft, from DLF Info City Developers (Kolkata), a wholly owned subsidiary of DLF Cyber City Developers

### DSK Real Estates Ltd

On the construction of a multi-storied hotel near an Ordnance Depot involving issues of national security and constitutional right to property before the Calcutta High Court

### Birla Corporation Ltd

On a matter relating to permissibility and regulation of mining operations around Chittorgarh Fort before the Supreme Court

### Arvind Maiya

On an appeal challenging an order of the National Financial Reporting Authority (NFRA) under Section 132 of the Companies Act, 2013

### Birla Institute of Management and Technology (BIMTECH)

On a challenge to the Supreme Court's order restoring an arbitral award without considering BIMTECH's objections, ensuring the appeal was remanded to the Orissa High Court for a full adjudication

### Saatvik Green Energy Pvt Ltd

Writ Petition challenging an order passed by NTPC Ltd blacklisting the client