

# **Shashank Mishra**

Partner
Dispute Resolution



Shashank Mishra advises on all aspects of the Technology, Media and Telecommunications (TMT) sector from a regulatory, disputes and policy perspective.

He possesses first-hand experience in:

- representing clients before various Courts and tribunals across India, advising on litigation strategy, and carrying out end-to-end litigation management.
- risk analysis, impact assessments and compliance strategies in relation to technology product launches, changes in legal framework or other operational or policy triggers for clients.
- devising policy positions on new legal and regulatory issues impacting clients' businesses, submissions to regulators and governments on their behalf, and training them for depositions before parliamentary committees and other Legislative or Executive bodies.
- drafting and negotiating transaction documents for IT and telecom services, transfer of telecom assets and conducting due diligences.

He has acquired sectoral expertise in TMT through handling a multitude of issues for clients at various stages of their business cycles from market entry, consolidation and expansion to insolvency and other forms of market exits. He has seconded at erstwhile Vodafone India's Mumbai offices and handled transactions and regulatory issues for their enterprise business. He has also assisted in high profile and high stakes disputes often having global ramifications from a technology and telecom law perspective.

Shashank has advised clients such as WhatsApp, Meta, Amazon, Alibaba Group, Vodafone, Citibank, IPC Networks, Inshorts, GoDaddy, Singtel, British Telecom, IndiaMart, Idemia Group, Snap, Uber and Hotstar on issues such as intermediary liability, privacy and data protection, content regulation, telecom and broadcast licensing, OTT regulation, cybersecurity, surveillance, law enforcement data access, election regulations, ecommerce, consumer protection, gaming, media laws, algorithmic fairness, data localization, net neutrality, conflict of laws, invoking constitutional rights against private actors, Aadhaar regulations, and deployment of emerging technologies.

# Select Experience Statement

 Represented an Internet messaging platform before Courts across India on issues of data protection and privacy; content regulation and intermediary liability; law

## Location

Delhi

#### Education

 B.A. L.L.B. (Hons.), Gujarat National Law University

### **Practices**

Dispute Resolution

#### Professional Membership

• Bar Council of India



enforcement and data access; fintech and data localisation; OTT regulation; invoking constitutional rights against private actors; and consumer protection.

- Advised a social media conglomerate and its affiliates on all legal and regulatory
  aspects of its operations in India, including conducting product reviews from an
  intermediary liability, e-commerce, law enforcement access, payments regulations,
  telecom regulations, gaming laws and privacy perspective.
- Advised a news and content aggregator and social media platform on intermediary liability, data protection and technology law issues, pre-litigation disputes, and represented them before various courts in India on these issues.
- Advised multiple automobile manufacturers in India on various mobility technology issues such as enabling connected cars and telematics solutions, data protection and law enforcement risks, and telecom licensing and regulation.
- Managed transactions for a global telecom operator's enterprise business, by reviewing, drafting and negotiating transaction documents on telecom services, sale/lease/transfer of telecom assets and other business objectives.
- Represented a domain name registrar on intermediary liability, proactive monitoring and intellectual property issues before High Court and district courts in Delhi.
- Advised multiple corporations on data protection, privacy, cybersecurity and law
  enforcement issues in India, including by drafting and reviewing privacy policies,
  consent flows, product UI/UX and other operational and policy aspects, and helping
  clients respond to and appear before regulators and law enforcement agencies.
- Advised multiple telecom operators and enterprise customers on compliances under telecom regulations for application services business, including call centres and network operation centres.
- Advised several media and OTT platforms on issues pertaining to digital addressable systems; broadcast licensing; foreign investment in news media; sports broadcast; publisher liability and compliances; net neutrality; and other legal and policy issues.
- Advised multiple telecom operators and potential investors on telecom regulatory issues such as spectrum trading and sharing; payment of AGR dues; licensing requirements; telemarketing regulations; satellite Internet; in-flight Wi-Fi and other emerging technologies.