



between

National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam and

Chambers of Abhinav Mishra, Advocates & Solicitors, New Delhi, India

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (hereinafter referred to as 'MoU') is made on this 29th day of December, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three (29/12/2023)

Between

THE NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY AND JUDICIAL ACADEMY, ASSAM (Hereinafter referred to as 'NLUJAA'), established by the Government of Assam by way of enactment of the National Law School and Judicial Academy, Assam Act, 2009 (Assam Act No. XXV of 2009) through its Registrar, as the FIRST PARTY.

And

CHAMBERS OF ABHINAV MISHRA ADVOCATES & SOLICITORS, a law chamber established in year 2018, having its office address at B-22, Ground Floor, Jungpura Extension, New Delhi, India – 110014 through its' Co-Founder(s) Mr. Abhinav Mishra, & Ms. Nivedita Chauhan, Advocate(s) enrolled with Bar Council of Delhi bearing Enrollment Nos. D/1067/2016 and D/2193/2018 (Hereinafter referred to as "Chambers") which shall mean and include its retainers and its Co-Founders, as the SECOND PARTY.

Hereinafter, NLUJAA and CHAMBERS are, wherever the context so admits, be collectively referred to as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party".

AND WHEREAS:

- A. The NLUJAA is committed to promote and make available modern legal education and research facilities to students and scholars drawn from across the country, including the North East, coming from different socio-economic, ethnic, religious and cultural backgrounds. Under the Chancellorship of Hon'ble Chief Justice of Guwahati High Court, the academic and administrative leadership of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the team NLUJAA is committed to provide an inclusive environment on its campus to students where academic distinction is celebrated, ideas are born and leaders are made to nurturing an academic culture that endeavors for excellence.
 - **B.** The Chambers was established in year 2018 and has emerged as one of the eminent legal service providers for its diverse practice capabilities. The Chambers caters to litigations Pan India and assists its clients in Corporate Commercial Litigation, White

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Collar Crimes, Insolvency and Bankruptcy, Restructuring of Debt(s), Private Equity, Mergers and Acquisitions (M&A), Negotiations along with a whole range of legal services including hearings at Courts/Tribunals, Arbitration proceedings, Securing & Defending Intellectual Property Rights, Client briefings and Conferences, Agreement and Contract drafting, setting up entities, Conducting Due diligence, and several other ancillary activities thereto.

AND WHEREAS, in order to encourage closer academic and co-curricular ties, Chambers and NLUJAA are willing to collaborate for conducting Guest Lectures, Seminars, Webinars, Moot Court Competition etc. in common areas of interest and benefit to both the institutions.

AND WHEREAS Chambers and NLUJAA desire to enter into a MoU which will serve as a general framework for collaboration between the two institutions and to facilitate discussions of specific programs.

AND WHEREAS the activities under this MoU will be carried out through the Registrar, NLUJAA and the Co-Founder(s) at the Chambers.

NOW THIS MoU WITNESSETH AND IT IS HEREBY MUTUALLY AGREED BY AND BETWEEN THE PARTIES HERETO AS FOLLOWS:

1. Scope of Cooperation and Activities to be undertaken by the parties:

1.1. The activities to be carried out under joint Collaboration and coordination of both NLUJAA and Chambers shall include:

The parties to the agreement would undertake the following academic/ curricular/ co-curricular/ Extracurricular activities at the time, place, mode and means of their choice and amongst mutual agreement with each other.

A. Conducting yearly Flagship Moot Court Competition(s),

- The parties would conduct flagship Moot Court Competition (hereinafter referred to as Mooting Competition) during each academic year, dedicated towards *Corporate-Commercial Laws*. In order to make this event successful each party is expected to carry out all that what is

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required on their part, as decided mutually by them in virtual or telephonic or physical meeting(s) qua conduct of such Competition in furtherance thereof:

- The name of Mooting Competition to be conducted every academic year shall be decided by the Second Party.
- The Mooting Competition shall be open for the Law Students from law college(s)/ University(ies) recognized by Bar Council of India.
- The Mooting Competition shall be organized at the Campus of NLUJAA or through virtual mode or at any other place mutually agreed by both the parties.
- The Moot Problem/Proposition shall be based on the issue related to any such law(s) prevailing in India for the time being in force concerning Corporate Commercial Laws.
- Moot Problem/Proposition shall be drafted by way of mutual agreement.

B. Conducting Co-Curricular Competitions other than Mooting Competition,

The parties would take initiatives to conduct or assist the other party to conduct Competition(s), other than the competition stated under Article 1 (1.1) (A), of Cocurricular nature relevant in the field of legal studies concerning Corporate Commercial Laws.

C. Joint seminar(s)/ conference(s) / workshops(s),

A collaborative work may be arranged to organize an international or national **Joint seminar(s)**/ **conference(s)**/ **workshops(s)** with participants from the university and other universities pan India/ world-wide.

D. Joint publication(s),

Faculty members, researchers and students from the first party shall arrange publication of books, Research work, Chapters and other academic and general publications to collaborate with the second party.

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E. Joint Research work(s) for Non-funded Undertaking(s),

The researchers and students from the first party shall undertake a collaborative socio-economic research work with the second party which is not being funded by any of the above Donors.

F. Twinning program(s)/ Offline/Online Course(s),

The advocates from the second party shall develop or conduct recognized programs/courses for students of first party in various fields of law concerning Corporate Commercial Laws.

G. Guest Lecture(s),

Advocates of the second party shall participate in guest lectures, on various contemporary/ non-contemporary, curricular/ co-curricular/ extra-curricular legal topics, for any or any combination of or all the batches of students at the first party pursuing their integrated legal under-graduate degree or their Master's Degree or their Doctorate.

H. Coach/ Mentor in different Curricular/ Co-curricular Activities,

Second Party to the agreement will aid the first party in different activities, as stated in Article II, in the capacity being, representatives of first party's coach or as its mentor for any curricular, academic or co-curricular activities in which the students of the first party are to participate.

I. Internship Opportunities for the Student(s) of NLUJAA:

Second Party shall provide internship opportunities to the selected students of the first party in every academic year.

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J. Sponsorship of any event/ Competition:

The second party shall sponsor the event(s)/ competition(s) and the budget of such event shall be decided mutually and as per the requirement of the event.

K. Both the parties can also assist each other in any other areas of possible interest and collaboration, which falls beyond the scope of the present MoU, upon mutual discussion and deliberation. However, for such purposes, both the parties shall in agreement with each other execute specific engagement letters for activities beyond the scope of this MoU.

2. Coordinators

Each Party will designate a person as a Coordinator to coordinate and oversee the activities to be carried under this MoU, and to facilitate implementation of the MoU in cooperation with other appropriate officials at the respective parties.

3. Organizing Committee

- 3.1. There shall be a core Organizing Committee consisting of members of from the First Party and other eminent members of the Second Party for conducting various events, competitions etc. under this MoU
- 3.2. The Organizing Committee for each event, competition etc. shall be agreed upon and decided every year by both the parties.

4. Administrator(s)

4.1. There shall be a core Administrator of the event, competition etc. consisting of members of the Second Party who will be involved in the administration of the events, competitions etc. as detailed above and forming a part of this MoU.

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5. Effective Date and Duration of the MoU

5.1. This MoU shall be effective from the date it is signed by the parties herein. The duration of the MoU will be initially for a period of one (1) year from the effective date and will be extended on the basis of overall outcome of the programs unless or otherwise terminated earlier, as per Article 8 and may be subject to extension by mutual consent of the Parties, expressed in writing at least three (3) months prior to the expiry of this MoU.

6. Amendment to MoU

No amendment to this MoU shall be valid unless the same is made in writing and agreed thereon jointly by the parties hereto or their authorized representatives and specifically stating the same to be an amendment to this MoU.

7. Termination of MoU

- 7.1. The MoU can be terminated by a party by giving the other side a prior written notice of not less than three (3) months of its intention to do so but without dishonoring any commitment entered prior to the date of termination notice.
- 7.2. This MoU shall also stand terminated for any reason such a legal process, Acts of the State or similar such exigencies beyond the normal control of the party concerned and which disabled any of the parties hereto from functioning further.
- 7.3. The amendment, termination and expiration of this MoU will not affect the terms of activities ongoing at the time of notification of the amendment, termination, and expiration unless otherwise agreed upon between the Parties.
- 7.4. No action undertaken shall diminish the full autonomy of either institution nor will either party impose any constraints upon the other in carrying out the agreement.

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7.5. Despite termination, the parties shall abide by the usual professional ethics and normal code of conduct to maintain the confidentially of the information and intellectual property rights.

8. Dispute Resolution

In the event of a dispute between the parties as to the interpretation of this MoU or as to any matter not covered by this MoU, Both parties agree first attempt to settle such dispute among themselves, but in the event such settlement cannot be reached, agree to refer to a competent independent Sole Arbitrator, appointed by both the parties in joint consultation with each other and such Arbitration proceedings shall be governed by Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 and all arbitration proceedings shall, unless otherwise agreed upon between the parties in writing shall take place at New Delhi.

9. Special Provisions

- 9.1. During the term of this MoU, each party may make any press release about the association between the parties herein to the MoU.
- 9.2. During the term of this memorandum each party agrees to supply information to the other for inclusion in that party's promotional material and agrees to such information being used in each other's promotional material in accordance with such terms as may be specified, but at no cost to the other.
- 9.3. Detailed modalities of individual forms of collaboration, activities associated with them and financial aspects of each shall be mutually agreed upon on a case to case basis, and specified, with all necessary details, in separate Agreements.
 - 9.4. This MoU will not be legally & financially binding to any of the Parties. The two Parties will consult each other and attempt to resolve disputes or misunderstanding that may arise in the administration of this MoU or any subsequent associated Agreement informally.

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9.5. The separate agreement shall be executed with regard to specific project/work initiated in furtherance of this MOU. Financial and other obligations of both the institutions shall be as per that agreement.

10. Contact Persons

The Assignee and successor for the said MOU from both the sides would be as follows:

First Party: NLUJAA

Name:

Designation:

Email:

Phone:

Second Party: Chambers of Abhinav Mishra Advocates & Solicitors

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Hence, this Memorandum of understanding is hereby executed on the day, month and year mentioned at the beginning of the MoU;

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Signature:	Signature:
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In the presence of:	
Witness 1	Witness 1
Witness 2	Witness 2