



RLR & CO. was established in 1981 by Mr. R. Lakshmi Ratan, FCA, with the primary objective of rendering services incomparable in quality without compromising ethical standards. Catering to a wide variety of clients to whom service of quality is the prime concern, the firm offers a spectrum of services to companies, institutions and individuals.

In the year 2010, Mr. R. Lakshmi Ratan partnered with Mr. Ramgopal Lakshmi Ratan with a view to provide a consolidated and comprehensive solution to its clients under one roof and act as a one- stop-shop for its clients by providing services in the fields of Accounts, Audit and Taxation, Legal Services such as Arbitration, Civil, Consumer, Debt Recovery Laws, Real Estate Law, Deeds and Documentation, Legal Opinions, Legal Audit and Tax Litigation. The firm has also brought within its ambit the provision of secretarial services for its corporate clients, keeping in tune with the recent legislations. The firm has a regular presence before various forums such as Tribunals and Statutory authorities and the High Courts.

Having gained a reputation in being one of the top rated firms in Chennai for over 40 years, RLR & Co has a young, vibrant and hard working team. We strive for reliability, efficiency and quality, we strive to maintain this by constantly monitoring the work done by our staff who are trained to give their best.

We have partner offices in Banglore, Coimbatore, Madurai and Dubai, which helps client with business across southern India access our services with ease.

# Ramgopal Lakshmi Ratan Partner – Litigation, Arbitration, M&A

Ramgopal Lakshmi Ratan helms RLR & Co. Ramgopal specialises in Litigation, Taxation, Arbitration, Mergers & Acquisitions and Private Equity fund raising, Debt raising and restructuring. With over 16 years of experience in litigation and arbitration, Ramgopal is well versed with advising clients on long term equitable solutions to resolve disputes. Working closely with Investment Banks, Venture Capitalists, PE funds, and start ups; Ramgopal brings in his own unique, out of the box thinking and expertise to help companies charter new territories. Ramgopal has also vast experience in contracts, having advised Ennore Port Limited on their construction arbitration and PPP & captive projects.

Ramgopal Lakshmi Ratan has also had the opportunity to present ideas before the erstwhile Planning Commission of India and has briefed various senior counsels in the Supreme Court of India.

# Reena Bathwal Chartered Accountant

Reena Bathwal, a protégé of the visionary Late Mr. R. Lakshmi Ratan is a qualified Chartered Accountant with over 20 years of experience in project finance, accounting, audit and tax planning. Reena Bathwal represents clients before various quasi-judicial forums in tax disputes. Reena Bathwal maintains a high win ratio in the tax cases and has carved a niche for herself in being one of the top women chartered accountants in the city. Reena Bathwal is an expert in capital gains accounting, service tax and GST and seeks to provide precise solutions to corporates and individuals on tax planning.

# Nivedita Lakshmi Ratan Partner – Non-Litigation, Taxation

Nivedita Lakshmi Ratan specializes in non-litigation, comprising of drafting and conveyancing with over 11 years of experience. Nivedita started her carrer in trial courts by working under tutelage of senior lawyer Mr. N.V. Nagasubramaniam in Coimbatore. During her stint in Coimbatore, Nivedita specialized in dealing with corporate clients, drafting, pleading, conveyancing, preparing and briefing advocates for various matters before the District Court and High Court. With six years of experience, Nivedita advises various startups and reputed software companies on their contracts, and undertakes personal estate planning for clients, offering advisory services on purchase and sale of real estate and works closely with the rest of the team in providing tax efficient solutions to clients. Nivedita also handles the client support by being in constant communication with the clients and managing the day-to-day needs of the clients.

### Akila Srinivasan Partner

Akila Srinivasan is a qualified Advocate with over 11 years of experience who brings with her an in-depth knowledge of corporate law and specializes in representing clients before the National Company Law Tribunal and the High Court of Judicature. With a post-graduate degree in Arbitration and Corporate Laws from the U.K., Akila understands the intricacies of company management and provides corporate advisory services. U.K., Akila understands the intricacies of company management and provides corporate advisory services.

# Siddharth Rajagopalan Senior Associate

Siddharth Rajagopalan, a qualified Advocate has a deep rooted understanding of the share market. An avid follower of the stock exchanges across the world; Siddharth Rajagopalan specializes in representing clients in cases relating to online shares and futures trading. Siddharth also specializes in matters regarding private equity. Siddharth uses his experience in analyzing and understanding the working of the share market all over the world to provide invaluable expertise in advising companies on valuation and share pricing in private equity.

#### 1 Litigation

We will represent you and/or your company before various courts and quasi-judicial forums; including but not limited to Munsif Courts, Subordinate Courts, District Court, City Civil Courts, High Courts all over the country and also in the Supreme Court of India. We will appear before quasi-judicial authorities for labour disputes, insurance disputes and any other disputes which may arise. The associates in our firm also possess extensive experience in appearing before the National Company Law Tribunal (previously known as Company Law Board) in matters relating to oppression and mismanagement and other disputes relating to the regularisation of a company's securities and assets.

#### **2** Taxation (Planning and Litigation)

Our firm will provide a comprehensive tax planning solution for you/your company. Any transaction that you choose to pursue has tax implications. Our firm specialises in capital gains advisory services and shall provide a comprehensive tax planning solution for long term and short term capital gains arising out of purchase and sale of real estate and shares. Our firm also provides advisory services on service tax and GST. Our firm not only advises you/your company on tax planning; it also represents you before quasi-judicial and judicial authorities should there arise a need for it. We are experts in handling scrutiny proceedings before the income tax department and we also have a regular appearance before the service tax authorities and the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal.

# 3 Accounting and audit

We will help your business by providing book keeping services for your day to day transactions, filing annual returns, service tax returns etc. and undertaking tax audit.

#### 4 Non-litigation

It is the intention of our firm to provide end to end solutions to its clients. Therefore, while providing non litigation services to companies; we extend our services to providing non-litigation services to individuals as well. We provide legal and corporate due diligence, drafting and vetting of contracts, drafting of deeds, providing title opinions,. In addition to the aforesaid; our firm provides services to individuals in personal estate planning, drafting of Wills, Settlement deeds etc. to help enable our clients to achieve financial growth.

### 5 Property Laws

We provide advisory services to builders and construction companies about compliances in accordance with the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act. Our services begin from providing title opinion for a property our client may choose to purchase /develop until the time the transaction is complete in all aspects before the registration authorities. We also seek to gain experience in representing clients before the Real Estate Regulatory Authority in the near future.

#### 6 Arbitration

It has become common practice to opt for arbitration to resolve contractual disputes between parties. Our firm has vast experience in representing clients during the arbitration proceedings, preparing claim/counter claim statements, presenting final arguments for the arbitration proceedings and appearing before the High Court to appoint an Arbitrator/set aside an arbitral award.

#### 7 Business solutions

Advising reputed companies as well as start ups, organising funds by bringing in investors, providing solutions under the Make in India, Startup India, Skills India, advice distribution channels for products, put you in touch with a vast network of business connections related to your field.

The intention of our firm is to help your business every step of the way. We offer a one-stop-shop of comprehensive solutions for your personal and business needs. We hope to receive your patronage.



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