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OUR FIRM

United Advocates (UA) is headquartered in Dubai comprising of lawyers qualified in the UAE and other diverse jurisdictions from the Middle East, Asia, Europe and Latin America. Their work experience in the Middle East and internationally enables them to merge international practice with local expertise. A number of our senior lawyers are experts in their fields of practice.

With the ever-growing number of world-class projects and international businesses residing in the UAE and across the MENA region, demands for high level of legal expertise and specialism have become a necessity. In addressing these demands our firm focuses on the following key practice areas:

- Corporate & Commercial
- Labour & Employment
- Family & Custody
- Real Estate, Construction, Engineering & Infrastructure
- Dispute Resolution, Arbitration & Litigation

The UAE is a relatively new legal jurisdiction, however its jurisprudence and legal precedents are growing at a fast pace given the presence and intermingle of various legal experts from different parts of the world. Our firm, United Advocates, has also grown progressively from its humble beginning in Dubai. Capitalising on the success of our local practice, we now operate locally and internationally through our various branches and associated offices.



THE FIRM'S KEY MEMBERS



ABDALLAH ALZARI

Founding Partner & Chairman (Dubai Office)

Mr. Abdallah Alzari has decades of proven corporate, management and leadership skills in the transportation industry as the former Director General of Sharjah Transport. He also held leadership and directorship roles in the UAE's transport authority while contributing to the advancement of the UAE's transportation facility into a world-class infrastructure.

Mr. Abdallah's clients always gained from his extensive experience and his style of adopting a logical and rationale approach to matters. He is blessed with excellent communication and negotiations skills and the ability to persuade a court room or appease the media, but also to converse with his clientele of various background and status.



WALID JUMAA

Founding Partner & CEO (Dubai & Cairo Offices)

Mr. Walid Jumaa has successfully managed several law firms in the UAE prior to forming United Advocates. He has profound leadership qualities and clients appreciate his direct communications skills and legal insights. Mr. Walid's strong ability to see through complex legal issues enables him to provide practical and commercially oriented solutions. Internationally, he has built up a strong and invaluable network of contacts across the Middle East, Asia and Europe.



ERIC TEO, 张宏南

Partner, International Practice & Special projects (Dubai Office)

Mr. Eric Teo has received recognitions from international legal publishers (Legal 500 and Lexology) for his legal expertise. He has been in the Middle East region for over 14 years and is regularly engaged by state-owned, public listed and private companies. Mr. Eric's prior career as a Project Engineer and working in top-tier regional and international law firms in Malaysia, Australia and Dubai gave him a very international and yet practical and unique perspectives on resolving legal issues.



SATINDER KAPUR

Partner

Satinder is an acknowledged expert in the area of international arbitration, both commercial and investment treaty based arbitration, and has personal experience of a host of jurisdictions, including England, USA, Sweden and UAE. He completed his B.Tech. (Electrical Engineering) from the prestigious Indian Institute of Technology Delhi. He went on to do MMS (Master of Management Services) from Bombay University, and LLB from Law Faculty, Delhi University. Mr. Kapur also has vast experience in handling cross border transactions especially between Europe and India



RAM KUMAR

Head of Corporate Structuring & Finance

Ram Kumar is a qualified Chartered Public Finance Accountant (CPFA) and has proven the experience of 10 years in the areas of corporate structuring, audit, and finance of various industries Ram advises clients on various corporate structuring options in the UAE and leads a team of well-qualified professionals to ensure optimum service to the clients



HASSAN ABDUL RAHMAN HASSAN

Attorney-at-Law

Hassan started his career in the legal field by working in Dubai Public Prosecution from 1979 to 1982. He holds a Law degree from the Dubai Police Academy and he holds a professional Diploma in commercial and Islamic arbitration from the University of Sharjah. He is a practicing Attorney qualified and authorized to plead before all UAE Courts including Dubai, Abu Dhabi, and Federal Courts in addition to the Federal Supreme Court. His expertise includes Civil, Commercial, Criminal Law, Intellectual Property and Aviation Law (through his experience working in Aerospace Engineering from 1982 to 2005) in the field of passenger rights and the obligations of the air carrier. He also speaks several languages including, Arabic, English, Greek, Persian and Urdu.



SHOEB SAHER

Partner, Corporate & Commercial (Dubai Office)

Shoeb is a Corporate and Commercial Lawyer with more than 11 years of experience most of which is gained working with Baker McKenzie Habib Al Mulla which is one of the best law firms in Dubai His practice primarily includes UAE commercial law, corporate law, employment law and agency law with experience in mergers, acquisitions, commercial contracts drafting and review, employment, commercial agency, incorporating companies and bankruptcy. He has been practicing in the Gulf for over 12 years. He has a total of 15 years of experience as a practicing lawyer. Before moving to the Middle East, Shoeb worked extensively on direct and indirect taxation, including VAT Laws in India



RAFIK MOHAMED

Senior Legal Consultant (Dubai Office)

Mr. Rafik Mohamed is an astute lawyer with over 30 years of litigation experience in Egypt and the UAE. He advises on civil, commercial and criminal matters and has acted before all three tiers of the Court system from the First Instance Court to the Supreme Court. Mr. Rafik has published articles on legal issues in a number of Arabic publications.



ARIHANT MOHTA

Senior Associate/Corporate & Commercial & Maritime

Arihant is an Associate in the corporate / commercial and maritime department. He, along with our panel of lawyers, also advises on company set ups and formations, and drafts commercial contracts for UAE and international clients.



YAHIA SALAMA

Associate/Litigation

Yahia obtained his law degree from Faculty of Law Jurisprudence, Al Azhar University 2011. He is handling clients in civil and commercial procedures, assists the consultants in research and drafting and registration for the civil and criminal proceedings.



YASSIR SULIMAN

Litigation Support Executive

Yassir is a Litigation Support Executive and assists the consultants in research and drafting. He handles the enquiries sought after the Land Department, Ministry of Labour, Notary Public, Court and Immigration and other governmental departments



MONA ABULGASIM MUKHTAR AHMED

Bilingual Legal Counsel

Mona is an experienced bilingual Legal Counsel. She has 10 years practicing litigation and corporate law. Mona herself is trained to handle all cases in the areas of Civil, Commercial, Real Estate and Labour Law. In addition, she drafted and reviewed different types of Agreements and Contracts in Arabic and English.

Besides, she is a Member of the Sudanese Bar Association in Sudan.



MARIA LORENZA CREMASCHI

Senior Associate

Maria Lorenza is a Senior Associate in the Corporate & Commercial, and Labor department. She advises on matters related to company setups and formations with unique start-up Hospitality and Real Estate experience. Proven analyzed complex business scenarios and client-centric solutions that satisfy numerous stakeholders. Strong negotiation skills and experience closing international real estate agreements. She also advises on commercial contracts for the Spanish and Latin-speaking communities in Dubai. Maria Lorenza has an Argentinian and Italian origin and gained her bachelor's in law degree from the Argentinian University: Marcelino Champagnat. She was based in Argentina with more than 17 years of experience before coming to Dubai and has worked across both Civil and Common Law jurisdictions. She speaks fluent Spanish, English, Portuguese and has elementary proficiency in Italian.



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