

**DCLE**

# **FATEMA ANWAR & ASSOCIATES**



*We are driven to challenge the status quo, delivering consistent and uncompromising quality and value to our clients regardless of the scale and scope of the business needs, our client will get the individual attention they need and deserve.*

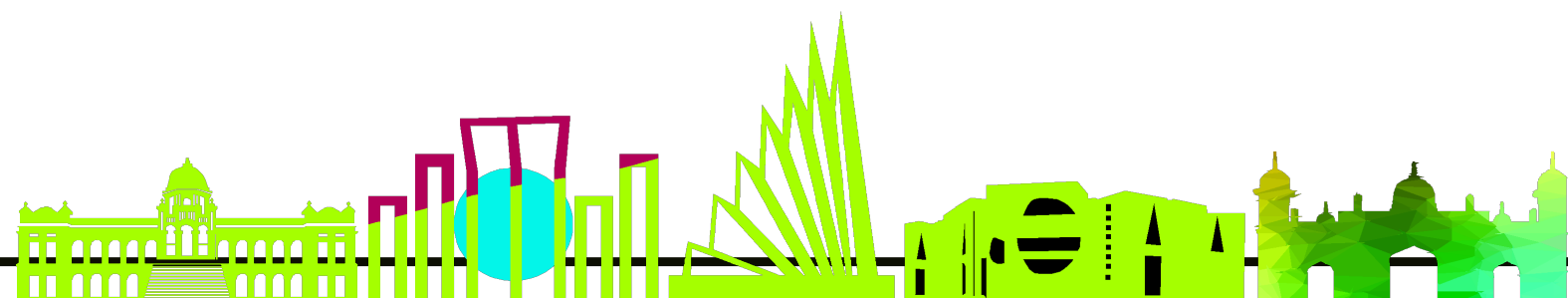
## Our Practice

We have been the trusted adviser of multinational and local companies in Bangladesh that demand sharp insights for critical business decisions. We take a proactive role in addressing the legal issues affecting clients' businesses in Bangladesh.

Our people form a dynamic team of industry experts and are regularly engaged by telecommunications, manufacturing, education, human resources, insurance, financial institutions and IT industries for legal services.

Our lawyers' commitment to excellence and innovative thinking enables us to provide tailored and practical advice, helping our clients gain competitive advantage in their respective fields of operations. Our value-based solutions and client centric services continue to position us as one of the highly recommended law firms in the country today.

We provide the right teams by organizing our lawyers into key practice groups to tackle the fundamental aspects of our clients' commercial operations.



*We strive to diligently represent the interests of our clients, while at the same time maintaining the highest ethical standards of the legal profession.*

## Our Driving Team

### Fatema Anwar

Fatema graduated from the University of London with Honours in 1996 and was called to the Bar from the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn in 1997. She was admitted as an Advocate of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh in 1999. In 2008, Fatema completed acclaimed training on international joint ventures, international securities in movables, international protection of intellectual property rights, international civil procedure and international insolvency proceedings at The Hague Academy of International Law, The Hague, Netherlands.

Fatema represents number of multinational companies ranging from telecom to FMCG and global logistic firms. She is a regular practitioner in the Supreme Court of Bangladesh.

Fatema is focusing in the areas of Corporate and Commercial, Joint Ventures, Constitutional, Employment, Telecommunications, Information Technology, Intellectual Property, Real Estate, Shipping, logistics. Inter alia.

### Tanvir Prodhan

Tanvir is a law graduate of the University of London International Programmes. He is licenced to practice before the courts in Bangladesh, including the Supreme Court of Bangladesh. He has more than six years' experience in extensive litigation, particularly banking, financial, company, labour and employment, judicial review & constitutional, and general civil and criminal. He has even longer experience in corporate advisory capacity. His capacity for critically and dispassionately analyzing and providing prognosis for any litigation brief is a particular asset to the chamber.

### Mohammad Nurul Islam Masood

Nurul is one of the founding partners and also the Administrative Director and Chief Executive of DCLE and Chambers. In addition to his law degree, Nurul holds Business degrees with specialization in International Trade & Finance. He leveraged his experience to help CIMA-UK to launch its first program in Bangladesh circa 1998. Nurul taught Tax, Audit, International Business and Management Finance to students from discipline of CIMA and BBA Programs before embarking his journey as the Principal of Dhaka Center for Law & Economics. As a business and regulatory consultant with the Chamber, Nurul assists clients in setting up businesses in Bangladesh, preparing project proposals, financial models and analysis, supports clients with all types of land registration and regulatory and compliance matters, negotiations and legal due diligence. He is also responsible for the two other limbs of DCLE – the Corporate Professional Trainings and Education.

## **Adib Shamsuddin**

Adib Shamsuddin graduated from the University of London International Program and went on to do his Bar from the University of the West of England in Bristol. His professional experience includes 3 years as Sub-editor of the Daily Star Bangladesh, as well as stints in Centre for Peace and Justice in the BRAC University, USAID, UNODC, National Centre for State Courts. He is a certified arbitrator of International Chamber of Commerce and ADR-ODR International. Adib is mainly responsible for the chamber's extensive legal research in case preparations and focuses on corporate clients with technology-based businesses.

## **Md. Waliul Islam Shojib**

Mr. Wali garnered his LL.B. (Hons.) from the famed University of London and thereafter pursued an LL.M. in Int'l Law from Eastern University, Dhaka. He is enrolled as an Advocate on the Roll of the Bangladesh Bar Council and has been regularly practicing law before different courts and tribunals. His areas of expertise include Criminal proceedings including NI Act matters; commercial litigation in the district courts, vetting contracts and legal documents; drafting different sorts of petitions and notices; ADR to mention a few. Wali is one of the chamber's litigation fronts.

## **Abrar Anwar**

Abrar Anwar is the chamber's technology consultant. As mobile, web and app developer certified by Google with over 7+.years of experience in the industry, Abrar provides the essential insight on the background technology often required to formulate holistic solutions for the chamber's clients. He coordinates with the core legal team to ensure they stay informed of and current with modern practices and advances in technology in order to best cater to modern technology driven businesses such as telecommunications, digital marketing, fintech, ecommerce, mobile financial services etc. This is a unique support mechanism for any legal chamber in Bangladesh.

*We represent international and domestic companies in industries ranging from Shipping and logistics, banking and financial services, business process outsourcing, information technology and telecommunications, and manufacturing. Our lawyers have helped draft secondary legislation that has led to meaningful changes to labour rules. Our Firm is well-equipped to deliver industry-specific legal and regulatory advice in, among others:*

- Corporate governance
- Consumer Goods
- Educational Institutions
- Energy & Utilities
- Financial Services
- International Trade
- Real Estate
- Media & Entertainment

- Hotels & Tourism
- Infrastructure
- Insurance
- Information Technology
- Manufacturing
- Oil,Gas & Petrochemicals
- Healthcare Industry
- Telecommunications





## Our Services

- Due diligence and pre-acquisition review, negotiating, preparing and reviewing Sale and purchase agreements (both shares and assets)
- Preparatory and ancillary agreements, joint venture, shareholders and other business agreements
- Capital restructuring, post-acquisition integration or reorganizations, establishment of joint venture companies and documenting and handling the various regulatory requirements for M&A transactions, investment structures, reorganizations, spin-offs, divestitures, and other business combinations
- Advising on the legal framework, as well as on the preferred vehicle or structure for the investment, including the establishment of branches, subsidiaries, representative offices, regional headquarters, regional operating headquarters, and other types of business vehicles;
- Advising on tax implications, tax incentives, VAT, import, export, customs, bonded warehouse and assisting client in obtaining or registering entities for tax, VAT, customs and related licenses.
- Advising on repatriation of funds, dividends, foreign remittance for consultancy and other services  
Advising on and obtaining government approvals, permits, licenses and registrations for the client's operations;
- Preparing, negotiating and reviewing contracts for various corporate and commercial transactions that may arise from the client's business;
- Advising on the regulatory regime for various corporate and commercial transactions that may have implications on the client's business, employment/labour laws, process, procedure and preparation of compliance documentations.
- LITIGATION & DISPUTE RESOLUTION: representing clients in the district courts and the higher courts and all tribunals and forum, including arbitration, negotiations, mediation.

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