



## Rukshad Davar

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### **BIOGRAPHY**

Rukshad Davar has over 23 years of experience in corporate/M&A, competition and tax matters, and has advised on complex domestic and cross-border mergers, acquisitions, corporate restructurings, joint ventures, private equity investments, strategic investments, asset sales and purchases, slump sales and hive-offs, corporate advisory matters, income tax and tax treaty issues, and real property matters.

Rukshad regularly speaks at corporate, M&A and other forums, including conferences convened by the International Bar Association and the International Association for Young Lawyers (AIJA.)

Recently, Rukshad has:

- Represented **Carlisle Companies Incorporated (NYSE:CSL)** on the sale of its braking and friction division globally to CentroMotion.
- Represented **ZoomInfo Technologies Inc. (NASDAQ:ZI)** on its acquisition of Insent, Inc., including InsentApp India Private Limited, through a merger process.
- Represented **Centre Lane Partners** on the acquisition of Synacor, Inc. and its Indian subsidiary, Zimbra Technology India Private Limited, through a tender offer and subsequent reverse merger. The transaction values Synacor, Inc. at US\$92 million.
- Represented **Perforce Software, Inc.** on an acquihire transaction in India.
- Assisted **Korn Ferry (NYSE:KYF)** on its global acquisition of three companies from TwentyEighty, Inc., including ESI Performance India Private Limited.

- Assisted **Wynnchurch Capital** on its proposed acquisition of a US-based group engaged in the manufacture of steel flanges and having subsidiaries in Europe and India.
- Assisted **Chart Industries Inc. (NYSE:GTLS)** on its acquisition of VRV Asia Pacific Private Limited as a part of Chart's global acquisition of VRV Srl and its subsidiaries, valued at US\$143 million. Also, assisted **Chart** on the acquisition of employees of Harsco Services India Private Limited as a part of its global acquisition of the Air-X-Changers business of Harsco Corporation (NYSE:HSC) valued at US\$592 million.
- Assisted **United Retirement Plan Consultants** on the sale of its Indian subsidiary to Ascensus as a part of Ascensus' global acquisition of United Retirement Plan Consultants group and the underlying business.
- Advised **Intertape Polymer Group Inc. (TSE:ITP)** on acquisition of an additional state in Powerband Industries Private Limited from its Indian joint venture partners.
- Represented **Bertram Capital** on the acquisition of Perennials and Sutherland, LLC.
- Representing **Otsuka Pharmaceuticals Factory Inc.** on its acquisition of an additional stake of 20% in its existing joint venture company, Otsuka Pharmaceutical India Private Limited, from Claris Lifesciences Limited.
- Represented **Fluidmaster Inc.** on its investment in a joint venture company in India.
- Representing **Roto-Die Company, Inc.** on its indirect acquisition of Electro Optic (Asia) Private Limited and restructuring of its Indian subsidiaries.
- Represented **Altas Copco AB** on the sale of the road construction equipment business owned by its Indian affiliate, Atlas Copco (India) Limited, to Fayat group.
- Represented **EX2 Solutions Inc.**, a wholly owned subsidiary of Builder Homesite, Inc., in the purchase of the business of Deznu Technologies Private Limited through a business transfer agreement.
- Advised **N-Viro Systems Canada LP** in respect of its supply agreement with Gujarat State Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd.
- Advised **Wacoal Corporation** on its single brand retail joint venture in India with Periwinkle Fashions Private Limited and represented Wacoal before the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion and the Foreign Investment Promotion Board in obtaining their approval permitting foreign investment in the Indian joint venture.
- Represented **Asian Business Connections Private Limited** on the acquisition of 100% equity stake of the "Elante Mall", Larsen & Toubro's commercial real estate project in Chandigarh for INR1,785 crores (approximately US\$275.5 million).

## **PRACTICE AREAS**

- Banking and Finance
- Competition
- Corporate/M&A
- inbound investments into India
- Private Equity and Venture Capital
- Tax

## **EDUCATION**

- BCom, HR College of Commerce and Economics, University of Mumbai (1995)
- LLB, KC Law College, University of Mumbai (1998)
- Chartered Accountant, India (inactive) (1998)

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

- Bar Council of Maharashtra and Goa
- Bombay Incorporated Law Society
- Institute of Chartered Accountants of India
- International Bar Association
- International Association for Young Lawyers (AIJA)

## **INDUSTRY FOCUS**

- Consumer and Retail
- Financial Services and Insurance
- Manufacturing and Industrial
- Pharmaceutical and Life Sciences

## **ADMISSIONS**

- India
- England and Wales (inactive)

## **RANKED BY**

- Finalist under the category of “Dealmaker of the Year” for the ALB 1st India Law Awards
- A-list of India’s top 100 lawyers by India Business Law Journal
- Asia Pacific Legal 500
- IFLR1000
- Chambers Asia Pacific
- Asialaw Leading Lawyers
- Runner up for the Partner of Year award at IDEX Legal Awards 2015