

# Pooja Singhania

Partner General Corporate



Pooja Singhania is a Partner at the Firm and has experience of working on general corporate matters and a wide range of corporate and commercial transactions (including private equity, private investment in public equity and domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions), with a special focus on impact investment.

Pooja has worked across various sectors including pharma and healthcare, manufacturing, information technology, financial services and other SEBI and RBI regulated sectors.

Pooja regularly advises a diverse clientele ranging from domestic and foreign private equity funds, multinational corporations (including first-time investors in the Indian market) to Indian promoters.

# Select Experience Statement

#### Public and Private Mergers & Acquisitions and Private Investment in Public Equity (PIPE)

- Represented Embassy Office Parks REIT, India's first listed Real Estate Investment
  Trust (REIT), in its acquisition of Embassy TechVillage along with the associated
  business of common area maintenance services for approximately USD 1.3 billion from
  Blackstone, Embassy group and certain individuals.
- Represented TPG and Manipal Hospitals in their then proposed merger of Manipal into Fortis and acquiring joint control of the merged entity.
- Represented Everstone Group in part-stake sale in, and ceding joint control of, Indostar Capital to Brookfield and fund raise of INR 14.5 billion by Indostar.
- Represented **Indusind Bank** in its INR 32.9 billion fund raise from Route One, AIA, TATA Investment, ICICI Pru and certain promoter entities.
- Represented the promoters of UFO Moviez in their follow-on investment in UFO Moviez.
- Represented **World Bank** in its investment in Future Consumer Enterprises Limited.
- Represented a **listed iron and steel conglomerate** in their then proposed fund raise.
- Represented **Brookfield** and its portfolio company, **Sagen** in its: (i) strategic investment into India Mortgage Guarantee Corporation, the only mortgage guarantee company operating in India; and (ii) subsequent investment into IMGC by way of purchase of equity shares from existing investors, NHB, IFC and ADB.
- Represented Bain Capital in its acquisition of Porus.

# Location

Mumbai

# Education

 B.A. LL.B (Hons), Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar

#### **Practices**

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## Professional Membership

Bar Council of Delhi



- Represented TPG and its Singaporean portfolio company, Asia Healthcare Holdings, which operates several single specialty hospitals in India, in: (a) fund raise by AHH from Government of Singapore Investment Corporation (GIC); and (b) multiple secondary transactions to provide exit to the existing shareholders / investors from its Indian subsidiaries.
- Represented Varel, one of the world's largest independent manufacturers and suppliers of downhole drilling and completion products, in acquisition of Sledgehammer Oil Tools.
- Represented Firmenich, the world's largest privately-owned company in the perfume and taste business, in its acquisition of a controlling stake in VKL Seasoning Private Limited, one of India's largest seasonings and flavours solution provider, from True North.
- Represented Nippon Paper in its acquisition of Plus Paper Foodpac.
- Represented World Bank Group in their joint venture with TATA Housing.
- Represented Adlec Systems in its joint venture with Legrand Group, France.
- Represented Fulham group in the buy-out of their joint venture partner in Fulham India.

### **Private Equity**

- Represented **Khazanah** (the sovereign wealth fund of Malaysia) in: (i) its investment in Wow! Momo; and (ii) then proposed investment in GoMechanic.
- Represented TPG in its acquisition of additional stake in: (i) SteriScience group; and (ii) TATA EV.
- Represented **Goldman Sachs** in its investment in Faasos.
- Represented **GE Capital Energy** in its investment in a Welspun entity.
- Represented International Finance Corporation, Proparco, Helion and DEG in relation to the externalization of their investments in Azure Power.
- Represented **Proparco** and **Triodos** in their investment in Sonata Finance.
- Represented **Triodos** and **Developing World Markets** in relation to their investment in Intellegrow.
- Represented Developing World Markets in its investment in Suryoday (now a small finance bank).
- Represented World Bank in its follow-on investment in Ujjivan (now a small finance bank).
- Represented Omidyar and Accel India in their follow-on investments in Scripbox.
- Represented Omidyar in its investments in: (i) Ver Se Innovation, (ii) Nowfloats and (iii) Neogrowth.
- Represented Carpediem Advisors in its investment in: (i) Biryani Blues; and (ii) Collateral Medical.



- Represented a global PE fund in their then proposed investment in Awfis.
- Represented India Equity Partners in its investment in Axiss Dental.
- Represented **New Enterprise Associates, FC** and **Helion** in their investment in Indiaworld Technologies.
- Represented World Bank in its investments in Lucid Colloids, SAMHI Hotels and Regency Hospital.
- Represented World Bank in its investments in: (i) Shwe Taung Cement group, a
  Myanmar conglomerate engaged in the business of manufacture and marketing of
  cement; (ii) City Bank Limited, a commercial bank in Bangladesh; (iii) Ananta Apparels
  Limited, a Bangladeshi company engaged in the business of manufacture of apparels;
  and (iv) Myanmar Oriental Bank, a commercial bank in Myanmar.
- Represented Avatar Capital in its investment into Sirion Labs.
- Represented Aavishkaar Venture Management in its fund raises from FMO (the Dutch entrepreneurial developmental bank) and Nuveen (subsidiary of Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America).