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Advocates & Corporate Consultants

We are a medium sized Law-Practice having offices at Lahore and Islamabad. Below is a brief profile of KAZMIZ and associates.

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Current Responsibilities:

We are regularly appearing before Superior Courts plus we have the expertise of handling Transactional / Opinion Work, including Acquisitions / Mergers, drafting of Agreements and Contracts. This is the kind of work which we have been doing since the inception of the law-firm in the year 2000. We have an ample knowledge of handling the subjects pertaining to the Federal and Provincial Governments along with Fiscal / Taxation matters and non-contentious work.

Past Experience:

Mr. Kazmi (the Managing Partner) had been performing his responsibilities as **Deputy Attorney General for Pakistan** from *June 2014 till February 2017*. His previous experience has provided him the chance to develop his expertise to represent the State before the Superior Courts along with dealing with the management issues of the Offices of the Attorney General & Advocate General.

He has extensively practiced as an Advocate Supreme Court before the august Supreme Court and High Courts of the country from August 2009 till June 2014 and has pleaded cases like:

- a) ***Riko Diq case.***
- b) ***Qazi Hussain Ahmed Vs. Federation of Pakistan etc.***
(British Petroleum Case).
- c) ***Hamid Mir, Absaar Alam & Others Vs. Federation of Pakistan etc. (Media Commission & PEMRA Case) etc. before the august Supreme Court of Pakistan.***
- d) ***Maulana Ilyas Chinioti case.***
(Fake degrees of Parliamentarians case).
- e) ***Appointment of M.D. NESPAK.***
- f) ***Appointment of Chairman Pakistan Cricket Board.***
- g) ***Khawaja Asif case.***
- h) ***Removal of Chairman CDA.***
- i) ***PIA fake degrees case.***

Mr. Kazmi had also held the office of **Assistant Advocate General (Punjab)** for about four years (2005-2009). He would look after the interest of the Government of the Punjab before the Honorable Lahore High Court, Lahore & Rawalpindi Bench.

During the tenure of performing the responsibilities as Assistant Advocate General (Punjab) the Prosecution Department was not established, therefore, he also had the opportunity of handling Constitutional and Criminal Matters simultaneously.

He also had a chance to perform his duties as **Special Prosecutor** (Rawalpindi Division) on Anti-Terrorism Cases in Lahore High Court Rawalpindi Bench from 2007 to 2009. During the period of his appointment as Special Prosecutor he had been conducting high profile cases successfully.

EXPERTISE:

ARBITRATION & MEDIATION:

We have a rich experience of Arbitration & Mediation proceedings. We have developed our expertise in **FIDIC** based Contract related disputes and claims along with the modifications / amendments of executed contracts in order to correspond to the resolution of disputes.

Mr. Kazmi has been conducting Arbitrations in the capacity of an Arbitrator as well. Mr. Kazmi has got an experience of over fifteen years of experience in resolving disputes through Arbitration proceedings. He has proven ability to manage and mediate disputes in a fair and impartial manner. He holds rich experience of handling Arbitration matters in:

- Labor disputes,
- breach of contracts,
- conducting hearings fairly and impartially,
- maintaining order during proceedings,
- ensuring due process rights to all the parties,
- exercising independent judgments,
- recording of arbitration proceedings and evidence,
- allowing / disallowing damages and costs and
- drafting the Awards.

Mr. Kazmi also assisted the Counsels in International Arbitration at **ICC** on behalf of the Government of Pakistan.

TRANSACTIONAL SKILLS:

Mr. Kazmi had been the legal advisor of FFC Energy Ltd. (First 50MW Wind Power Project) and handled the whole transaction including negotiating with Financial Institutions, Government Agencies (NEPRA, CPPA etc.) and EPC Contractors.

We have been handling fiscal and transactional matters of Foundation Power Company (Dharki) Ltd. (178-MW).

We have the expertise to understand complex transactions and draw multifarious legal opinions including Pari Passu Agreements, Share Purchase Agreements and Concession Agreements etc.

We have gathered sufficient experience of Acquisitions & Mergers of companies in Power Projects like:

- a- **Wind Eagle Ltd.**,
- b- **Zephyr Power Ltd.**,
- c- **Pak China Fertilizer Co. (Pvt.) Ltd. &**
- d- **Zaver Petroleum Gulf** (a company incorporated under the laws of the UAE) etc.

ENERGY SECTOR EXPERIENCE:

The Firm has rich experience of drafting Energy Polices, Standard Agreements encompassing Power Purchase Agreements, Letters of Support, Implementation Agreements, Construction Agreements, Lending / Financing Agreements, and Performance Guarantees etc. In addition to the above, the Firm has the experience of handling the Tariff Petitions and Objections thereon before the NEPRA.

Further, the Firm has expertise of obtaining Power Generation Licenses from NEPRA. The Firm also advise and handle fiscal matters of the clients in Energy Sector. We are representing the following clients.

- FFC Energy Ltd. The First Wind Mill Energy Generation Company of Pakistan (50-MW).

- Fauji Wind Energy Ltd. I & II. (FWEL-I) & (FWEL-II).
- Foundation Power Company (Dharki) Ltd. (178-MW).
- Wind Eagle Ltd.
- Zephyr Power Ltd.
- Private Power Infrastructure Board (PPIB).
- Alternative Energy Development Board (AEDB).
- Ministry of Water & Power.
- National Transmission & Despatch Company. (NTDC).
- National Electric Power Regulatory Authority. (NEPRA)

CONSTRUCTION & BOT BASIS PROJECTS:

- **Lahore-Faisalabad Dual Carriageway Project.**

We provided legal assistance to the ***United Bank Ltd for the Consortium*** financing on setting up of the highway project on BOT basis. United Bank Ltd was the lead financier in the said project:

- Advised on the project of **Lahore Transport Company, Lahore** which culminated into **Lahore Metro Bus Project.**
- **50MW Wind Power Project of FFCEL.**
- **Mr. Kazmi had been involved in 04 Wind Power Projects through Alternate Energy Development Board.**
- **Construction of Fortalice & Hotel One in 09 cities.**
- **Construction of "The Address" the Apartment**

Building at Gulberg, Lahore.

- **Construction of Ramada Hotel Islamabad & Sialkot.**
- **Construction of TF Tower Islamabad.**
- **Construction of AMX Honda Islamabad** and a long list of other Construction Projects.
- Had been advising **Rail Corp.** (a subsidiary of Pakistan Railways).

Corporate Experience

The firm has developed the expertise to facilitate in holding and conducting meetings of the Board of Directors, committees (Audit, HR, Nomination, Risk, Finance and Procurement) of the board of directors. Further, the firm provides professional support in holding annual general meetings and extra-ordinary general meetings, preparation of agenda/working papers for the meetings, preparation of minutes of meetings; regulatory compliance with the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan; preparing policies under the Public Sector Companies (Corporate Governance) Rules, 2013, statutory compliance with the Rules 2013; constituting committees of the Board and Terms of Reference of the board committees.

We drafted memorandum and articles of association of TAPI Pipeline Company Limited, alteration in the memorandum and articles of association of Inter State Gas Systems Private Limited; increased the share capital of the ISGS, Pakistan LNG Limited and Pakistan LNG Terminals Limited; issuance of shares and share certificates to the shareholders; transfer of shares and regulatory compliances with SECP; appointment of directors on the Board, appointments of the chief executive, company secretary, chief financial officer & chief internal auditor;

We also drafted Share Subscription Agreement with holding company i.e. Government Holdings (Private) Limited; Share Transfer Agreement; preparation and maintenance of registers (meetings, Shares, legal advisers, members etc.) and appointment of company legal advisors.

HUMAN RESOURCE & LABOUR MATTERS:

We, as a law-firm, have been handling the matters of Human Resource along with complicated matters of employment, laying off, termination, Inquiry Proceedings and job placements for Hotel Industry, Financial Institutions, Oil & Gas, Telecom, Textile industry and also for various Embassies in Pakistan.

We had been part of the Advisory Team on the Privatization process of the Generation Companies owned and controlled by the Government of Pakistan and advised on the matters of Labor & Human Resource of these companies.

INGOs:

We have experience of working with:
REDD+ and
THE CROWN AGENTS U.K.

TAXATION MATTERS:

We have handled the taxation matters of:

- a- **ZTBL,**
- b- **FFC,**
- c- **FFBL**
- d- **FWEL-I & FWEL-II,**
- e- **MOL Pakistan Ltd.,**
- f- **Ufone &**
- g- **PTCL** of worth billions of Rupees successfully.

CLIENTELE:

The Firm has a variety of corporations / associations / high net worth persons as its clientele from various sectors, such as the;

- (a)** textile sector,
- (b)** edible food sector,
- (c)** glass and ceramics sector,
- (d)** power and distribution sector,
- (e)** telecom sector,
- (f)** financial sector and

(g) Oil & Gas Sector, amongst others.

(h) Hospitals & Clinics.

IT & TELECOMMUNICATION RELATED EXPERIENCE:

We have been working as Legal Advisers to;

- i) ESP Global IT Systems (formerly ABN AMRO Global IT Systems) and
- ii) EURO SOFTWARE PARKS nv. (A Public Limited Company of Netherlands).
- iii) Pakistan Telecommunication Company Ltd. (PTCL)
- iv) National Telecommunication Corporation. (NTC)
- v) Mobilink.
- vi) Ufone.
- vii) Star Telecom (Pvt.) Ltd. Islamabad.
- viii) Wi-tribe Pakistan Ltd.

LIST OF CORPORATE CLIENTS:

Diplomatic Missions/Foreign Agencies:

- Consul General to Bangladesh.
- Consul General to the Philippines.
- Consul General to Poland.
- Consul General to Nicaragua.
- Embassy of Romania.

Franchise, Trade Marks & Copyright Registration:

- Chamman Ice Cream.
- Dascon Construction Company Ltd.

- Khattak Allied Construction Company (Pvt.) Ltd.

Oil & Gas:

- Ocean Pakistan Ltd. (OPL)
- OPI Gas.
- Weatherford Drilling International.
- Weatherford Oil Tools Middle East Ltd.
- Petrosin Engineers & Contractors (Pvt.) Ltd. Islamabad. (A subsidiary of Larger Petrosin Group of Singapore).
- Petrosin Ravi Industries Ltd. Kala Shah Kaku, District Sheikhpura. (A subsidiary of Larger Petrosin Group of Singapore).
- Zaver Petroleum Gulf Ltd.
Mr. Kazmi successfully handled the assignment of oil exploration blocks of the Company in Sudan.
- Zaver Petroleum Corporation Ltd.
- Spud Energy.
- Burshane LPG (Pakistan) Ltd.
- JJVL. Jamshoro Joint Venture Ltd.
- Oil & Gas Development Corporation Ltd. (OGDCL)
- Government Holdings(Pvt.) Ltd. (GHPL)
- MOL Pakistan Ltd.
- Director General Petroleum Concessions.

Turkmenistan-Afghanistan-Pakistan-India Gas Pipeline Project

One of our associates was actively involved in the TAPI Pipeline Project. He was a member of a team specifically constituted for drafting, negotiating and executing the TAPI Gas Sales and Purchase Agreement, Transaction Advisory Services Agreement, Operations Agreement, TAPI Shareholders Agreement, Investment Agreement, Host Government Agreement. He also worked on the TAPI Gas Transportation Agreement and Pipeline System Rules.

Iran Pakistan Gas Pipeline Project

Our Associates were devotedly involved in the Iran Pakistan Gas Pipeline Project. He was a member of a team specifically constituted for drafting, negotiating and executing the Gas Sales and Purchase Agreement, Operations Agreement, Engineering, Procurement and Construction Agreement with TEGIC regarding the construction of the pipeline from Pakistan-Iran border to Nawab Shah.

North South Gas Pipeline Project

Our associates were actively involved in the North south Gas Pipeline Project. He was a member of a team specifically constituted for drafting, negotiating and executing the Build-Own-Operate-Transfer Agreement and Facilitation Agreement.

Gwadar-Nawabshah LNG Termination and Pipeline Project

Our associates were also involved in the implementation of the Gwadar-Nawabshah LNG Terminal and Pipeline Project. He was a member of a team specifically constituted for drafting, negotiating and executing the agreement for the construction of pipeline on FIDIC Yellow Book and LNG Terminal on FIDIC Silver Book.

Machike-Taru Jabba Oil Pipeline Project

Our associates participated in the implementation of the Machike-Taru Jabba Oil Pipeline Project. He was a member of a team specifically constituted for drafting, negotiating and executing the BOOT Agreement, Oil Transportation Agreement, Custody Transfer

and Interface Agreement, Operations and Maintenance Agreement, Implementation Agreement.

Pipeline Construction License from OGRA

Our associates prepared the application for obtaining license for construction of gas and oil pipelines from OGRA; attended public hearings; obtained the license from OGRA.

FERTILIZER SECTOR:

- Fauji Fertilizer Company Ltd.
- Fauji Fertilizer Bin Qasim Ltd.
- Edgro (Pvt.) Ltd.
- Prime Pesticides (Pvt.) Ltd.

HOTEL INDUSTRY CLIENTS:

- i. Marriott Hotel, Islamabad.
- ii. Pearl Continental Hotel Rawalpindi.
- iii. Pearl Continental Hotel Lahore.
- iv. Pearl Continental Hotel Muzaffargarh.
- v. Pearl Continental Hotel Bhurban.
- vi. Pearl Continental Hotel Peshawar.
- vii. The Residency Hotel, Off Zafar Ali Road, Lahore.
- viii. Smart Hotel Liberty Market, Gulberg, Lahore.
- ix. Hotel Sheraton Egerton Road, Lahore.
- x. Hotel One, Lahore & Islamabad.
- xi. Fortalice, Islamabad & Lahore & Multan.
- xii. Ramada Islamabad, Lahore & Sialkot.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS:

We represent the following financial institutions:

- i. Corporate and Industrial Restructuring Corporation (CIRC).
- ii. Allied Bank of Pakistan.
- iii. Standard Chartered Bank.
- iv. MCB Bank Ltd.
- v. Faysal Bank Ltd.

- vi. IGI Bank Ltd.
- vii. Crescent Commercial Bank Ltd.
- viii. Askari Commercial Bank Ltd.
- ix. First Micro Finance Bank Ltd.
- x. SME Bank Ltd. (Mr. Kazmi conducted legal audit for the bank in the years 2002- 03).
- xi. The Bank of Khyber.
- xii. Summit Bank Ltd.
- xiii. KASB Bank Ltd.
- xiv. First Punjab Modarba.
- xv. BRR International Modarba.
- xvi. Capital Asset Leasing Corporation. (CALCORP)
- xvii. Pakistan Industrial Leasing Corporation. (PILCORP)
- xviii. Punjab Small Industries Corporation Ltd.
- xix. Al-Baraka Islamic Bank Ltd.
- xx. Invest Capital Investment Bank Ltd. (formerly Al-Zamin Leasing Ltd. formerly Crescent Leasing Corporation.)
- xxi. Askari Leasing Ltd.
- xxii. Security Leasing Corporation Ltd.
- xxiii. Habib Metropolitan Bank Ltd.
- xxiv. Zarai Taraqati Bank Ltd.
- xxv. Habib Bank Ltd.
- xxvi. National Bank of Pakistan.
- xxvii. Samba Bank Ltd.
- xxviii. BankIslami Ltd.
- xxix. Silk Bank Ltd.
- xxx. The Bank of Punjab.

NGOS / TRUSTS / SOCIETIES ETC:

We helped in the formation of the following non-profit and charity organizations.

- Thalassaemia Society of Pakistan.
- Alzheimer's Pakistan.
- APPNA (a North American Based NGO).
- Jahandad Society for Community Development.
- Good Deeds Foundation.
- Buniyad. A Trust created by Ms. Shaheen Attiq-ur-Rehman (former provincial minister for social welfare).

PUBLIC SECTOR CORPORATIONS:

We had been on the approved panel of **Federal Board of Revenue**. (Departments of Custom, Central Excise & Sales Tax). We had successfully handled litigation of Tax worth millions of Rupees.

PHARMACEUTICALS:

- Shrooq Pharmaceuticals (Pvt.) Ltd.

REGULATORY BODIES:

- Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (**PEMRA**).
- Competition Commission of Pakistan. (**CCP**)
- Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan. (**SECP**)
- Pakistan Telecommunication Authority. (**PTA**)
- National Electric Power Regulatory Authority. (**NEPRA**)

MEDIA:

- Pakistan Television Corporation Limited (**PTV**).
- Pearl Communications (Pvt.) Ltd.
- Such TV.

PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BODIES:

- Pakistan Medical Association (**PMA**).

PROCUREMENT EXPERIENCE

Being a part of ISGS and PLTL procurement committees, our colleague prepared Expressions of Interests, Request of Proposal, for the procurement of line pipe, turbo compressors, block valves, EPC Contractor, technical consultant, financial/commercial consultants, survey of land on the route of ISGS projects along with hiring of HR Consultant, legal advisors, Auditors, Tax consultants, IT equipment, stationary items, janitorial services, security services, car rentals, hotels, air travelers, operations and maintenance of office equipment, furniture, vehicles, etc; opening and evaluation of technical and financial proposals; prepared the evaluations of reports; etc.

Contracts & MOU

We have developed a considerable experience of drafting Government to Government Agreements, Memorandum of Understanding, Inter-Governmental Declarations, Gas Pipeline Framework Agreement, Gas Sales and Purchase Agreements, Operations Agreement, Operations and Services Agreement for LNG Terminals, Gas Transportation Agreement, Oil Transportation Agreement, Facilitation Agreement, Implementation Agreement, FIDIC Yellow Book, FIDIC Silver Book, Shareholders Agreement, Investment Agreement, Engineering, Transaction Advisory Services Agreement, Financial Advisory Services Agreement, Land Acquisition Agreement, Technical Consultancy Agreement, Financial/Commercial Consultancy Agreement, HR Consultancy Agreement and Confidentiality Agreement etc.

Experience related to Auction Proceedings

Being a part of ISGS auction committees, our associate prepared auction documents for the auctions of official vehicles, office equipment, newspapers; opened and evaluated received proposals; prepared the evaluations of reports; etc

Litigation Experience

Effectively handle court cases; prepared complaints, written statements, writ petitions, written submission against intra-court appeals, etc;

Environmental Protection Agencies

Our associate prepared the application for obtaining license from SEPA, BEPA, PEPA, GDA for the Iran Pakistan Gas Pipeline Project and TAPI Gas Pipeline Project and Gwadar-Nawabshah LNG Termination and Pipeline Project.

Experience with Government Functionaries

Considerable experience has been gathered working with public functionaries, including but not limited to the Federal Cabinet, Economic Coordination Committees, Cabinet Committees, Federal Ministries etc.

OTHER PRIVATE SECTOR CLIENTS:

There is a long list of esteemed clients to whom we are extending our professional services. A few of them are listed below.

- Pakistan Tobacco Ltd.
- S. M. Riaz & Sons (Stockiest & Distributors).
- Ayyaz Textiles Ltd.
- Gulshan Fabrics (Pvt.) Ltd.
- Rado Fabrics.
- Nobel Textiles (Pvt.) Ltd.
- MSC Textiles Faisalabad.
- National Sales (Pvt.) Ltd.
- MTRACK (Pvt.) Ltd.
- HK&F Engineering (Pvt.) Ltd. {Makers of Ravi Motorcycles}.
- Associated Group of Companies.
- Hashoo Group of Petroleum Companies.
- Hashwani Hotels. (Pakistan Services Ltd.)
- DASCON Engineering Ltd.
- Zxamco Motorcycles Lahore.
- Dawn Bread.

PAKISTAN CRICKET BOARD:

We have recently handled the matters pertaining to Cricket Board in the Honorable Islamabad High Court and also before the august Supreme Court of Pakistan.

DRAFTING OF LAWS & RESEARCH:

Mr. Kazmi has attained the expertise in drafting laws such as;

- a- Sasti Roti Authority Ordinance 2009.**
- b- Drafted Ehtasab Commission Bill for KPK 2013.**
- c- Drafted Rules for Special Economic Zones.**
- d- Research Associate of Durham Global Security Institute, Durham, U.K.**

Mr. Kazmi had been providing legal research and legal assistance on the issues of Encountering Terrorism & Enforcement of Contractual Rights of People During and Post War Era.

PUBLICATIONS:

Mr. Kazmi has authored;

- a- Commentary on The Financial Institution (Recovery of Finances) Ordinance 2001** Edition 2009.
- b- Manual of Evacuee Trust Properties laws in Pakistan** Edition 2013.
- c- Corpus Juris for the Banking Cases** Edition August 2013.
- d- The Manual of Company Laws with all Amendments and Case law** Edition 2014.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Mr. Kazmi had been teaching at:

- a-** Directorate of Income Tax Training & Research Academy, (**D.O.T.**) Lahore.
- b-** The Institute for Legal Studies. (**TILS**) Lahore.
- c-** Lahore School of Law, Lahore.
- d-** Resource Person of the Professional Development Centre, National University of Science & Technology. (**NUST**), Islamabad.
- e-** Visiting Lecturer at **Federal Judicial Academy**, Islamabad. (**Training Civil Judges & Session Judges**)
- f-** Visiting Lecturer at **National Police Academy Sihala**.

COUNTRIES OF WORK EXPERIENCE:

Foreign exposure of the Firm including routine work in foreign countries includes:

Sri Lanka,
China,
Sudan,
Egypt,

United Arab Emirates and
The United Kingdom.

PRO-BONO WORK:

We have been voluntarily providing legal aid to women prisoners with the help of APPNA (a North America based NGO).

We are providing counseling to the patients of Alzheimer and to their caretakers about their legal matters especially on the matters pertaining to the estate of the patients, their Wills etc.

LIST OF REPORTED JUDGMENTS IN WHICH MR. KAZMI WAS A COUNSEL:

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| 1- 2007 YLR 453 | 2- 2008 CLD 489 |
| 3- 2007 YLR 2971 | 4- PLD 2008 Lah 103 |
| 5- 2006 YLR 1594 | 6- 2008 P Cr. L J 1774 |
| 7- 2006 P Cr. L J 1900 | 8- 2014 CLD 873 |
| 9- 2005 CLC 912 | 10- 2014 SCMR 1376 |
| 11- 2007 YLR 2953 | 12- 2014 SCMR 676 |
| 13- 2008 P Cr. L J 942 | 14- 2013 CLD 1787 |
| 15- 2006 P Cr. L J 1636 | 16- PLD 2013 SC 244 |
| 17- 2008 P Cr. L J 956 | 18- 2013 SCMR 511 |
| 19- PLD 2012 Isb 21 | 20- 2013 SCMR 1205 |
| 21- 2014 SCMR 1833 | 22- 2014 CLC 600 |
| 23- 2009 MLD 501 | 24- 2012 CLD 619 |
| 25- 2015 P Cr. L J 506 | 26- 2015 CLC 1273 |
| 27- PLD 2016 Isb 1 | 28- 2016 CLD 1419 |
| 29- PLD 2016 Isb 141 | 30- 2017 CLC 105 |
| 31- 2017 CLC 119 | 32- 2017 CLC 466 |
| 33- 2018 CLC 1275 | 34- 2019 PLC (CS) N 15 |
| 35- 2019 SCMR 1973 | 36- PLD 2020 Isb 378 |

37- 2016 CLC 1392 Isb

38- 2021 CLC 159 Isb

39- 2021 MLD 1846

40- 2022 CLC 1206

41- 2023 CLC 1481
