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## **ABOUT US**

Al Sahlawi Group Advocates & Legal Consultants were established in Dubai in 1997 by Honorable Mr. Yousef Hussein Al-Sahlawi, a UAE national advocate, who has previously held several prominent positions. Mr. Yousef held the prestigious position of “Executive Director” at Dubai Customs for nearly ten years till 2014 and former to it he held the position of the Legal Department Director from 1997 at Dubai Customs. He began his career in the judicial field as a Public Prosecutor where he worked from 1988 to 1994 and thereafter in 1994 he was appointed as a Solicitor for representing in state government cases at the Ministry of Justice. His practice in the UAE extends over a period of 25 years. He has dedicated his legal expertise, experience and himself for establishing the Al Sahlawi Group Advocates & Legal Consultants, which now is amongst the top leading Law Firm of Dubai and has made a mark around the world.

His specialization includes Litigation & Arbitration along with a vast experience in handling all customs related legal issues. He also specializes in sports laws besides being a pioneer in legislating and drafting the constitution of the UAE Football Association and related rules and regulations for handling all legal matters and issues concerned with the sports.

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***KHALED AL AWADI***

***Advocate and Legal Associate***

He is a UAE national advocate. He obtained his law degree from the University of Beirut in the year 1996. He is licensed to practice as an advocate before the UAE Courts since 1997. He has vast experience and knowledge of the UAE law and practice. He specializes in handling Litigation & Arbitration cases in various fields like Insurance & Banking, Company Law, Commercial law, Labor & Intellectual Property. His total years of experience span over 17 years.

***AISHA MOHAMED AL TAHER***

***Advocate and Legal Associate***

She is a UAE national advocate and obtained her law degree from the UAE University in the year 2002. She is licensed to practice as an advocate before all the UAE Courts of various jurisdictions. She specializes in handling Litigation & Arbitration cases in various fields like Insurance & Banking, Intellectual property, Personal law, Maritime & Aviation. Her total year of practice is over 12 years.



***MAHMOUD KANDEEL***

***Head of Litigation Division***

He obtained his law degree from the Alexandria University in Egypt in the year 1994. He is a member of the Egypt Bar Association and a member of the Union of Arab Lawyers. His years of practice in the UAE and Egypt extend over a period of 20 years. He specializes in Insurance and Banking, Company and Commercial Law, Property Law, Intellectual Property Law, Personal Law, Maritime & Aviation, Labor Law and Arbitration. He is fluent in Arabic and English.



## ***SHARMILA GRACIAS***

### ***Senior Legal Associate***

She Graduated from Goa University Faculty of Law in 1993 and obtained her Masters in Law from Pune University in 1995 specializing in Commercial and Corporate Law. She is a member of the Bar Council of India and licensed to practice as an Advocate before all Indian Courts including the Supreme Court of India. She worked as a Public Prosecutor in the Courts of Goa. Her years of experience in the Legal Profession in UAE extend over a period of 18years. Her areas of practice also include Labor, Intellectual Property, Real Estate, Property law, Arbitration and vast experience in legal documentation drafting sophisticated and complex Agreements. She is fluent in English, Hindi and French.



## ***KHALED MOUSSA***

### ***Senior Legal Associate***

He obtained his law degree from the Alexandria University, Egypt and admitted to the Egyptian Bar Association in the year 1996. His years of practice in Egypt and UAE extend over period of 16 years. He specializes in handling Litigation and Arbitration cases in various fields of law including Insurance and Banking, Corporation, Property Law, Intellectual Property, Maritime & Aviation, labor Law and Commercial Law. He is fluent in Arabic and English.



## ***MAMDOUH RABEE***

### ***Legal Associate & International Arbitrator***

He obtained his law degree from the Cairo University (Faculty of Law) in Egypt in the year 2003 and is a member of the Egyptian Bar Association. He has gained sufficient knowledge and skills required in the legal profession with experience in Egypt, UAE and the GCC since 2004. He handles all Para Legal and administrative works before the UAE Courts of Law. He also undertakes general advisory and legal consultation works. He is fluent in Arabic and English.





**ANDREA GILLARD**  
***Head of Corporate Division***

She graduated from the University of Edinburgh in 2005 after obtaining LLB LAW and Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Practice. She has more than 10 years experience in the Legal field, encompassing the financial, real estate sectors, courts and governmental departments. Her work involves high profile, complex cases and a mix of legal matters that demand considerable proficiency in dispute management, alternative dispute resolution, corporate matters, business consultancy and contentious regulatory advice.

**ESSAM EMAD**  
***Senior Corporate Associate***

Graduated from Faculty of Law, Alexandria University, Egypt and admitted to the Egyptian Bar Association in the year 2009. A dedicated professional lawyer with an extensive experience in the UAE that includes establishment of companies internationally, corporate governance, Real estate, legal codes, court procedures, precedents and government regulations, employment matters, personal status and wills and anti-money laundering matters. He has the ability to communicate complex sensitive information in an understandable form to clients and is fully aware of the structure, culture and procedures of the legal profession. He is experienced in and having a good understanding of how to build relationships with clients and to provide appropriate and effective legal advice and services to them.



**SHALINI KAPILA**  
***Corporate Counsel***

She obtained LLB degree from Institute of Law, CCS University India and is member of the Bar Council of India and Delhi since 2013. She acquired Masters Degree in Business(MBA) specializing in Finance from IIPM Delhi in 2009 and Bachelors from IP University Delhi in 2007. She worked with Companies and Banks on high value LCs and corporate legal matters, mergers & acquisitions in Dubai and drafted many legal notices, agreements and legal instruments and litigation briefs. She has an experience of 3years in the fields of litigation (civil & criminal), drafting of different kinds of petitions/complaints/agreements, Madrid protocol IPR and arbitration in India.



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