

COVER LETTER

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Since the beginning of my Law school journey, I have been well aware of Spice Route Legal and the prestige and quality of work associated with it. It is with this understanding that I am reaching out to express my eagerness to work with an affiliated entity of the most innovative law firm in the country. While the opportunity to work with you might seem like an inconceivable dream, I am enthusiastic and committed to contributing my skills and dedication to your esteemed organisation.

I am writing to apply for an **Assessment Internship opportunity** at your esteemed organisation with the Corporate, M&A and Private Equity Team.

I am **Utsarga Dash, a final year BBA LLB (Business Law Hons.) student** at KIIT School of Law (2019-24) and I am pursuing the **Company Secretary course at the Professional Level**. I cleared the CS executive Level in June 2023 and have secured an exemption in the subject of "*Jurisprudence Interpretation and General Laws*".

My interest in commercial laws was kindled while reading Walter Isaacson's "*Steve Jobs*", where I encountered the intricate tapestry of daily business complexities and the vital role that law plays in safeguarding the stakeholders involved. This enthusiasm for commercial laws helped me to secure an **AIR of '06' in the December 2020 Company Secretary Foundation Exam** for which I **received the merit scholarship from the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, GOI**. Knowing that Spice Route Legal specialises in areas such as Mergers and acquisitions, General Corporate and Capital Markets, it aligns with my areas of interest.

The theme of Corporate Governance has been a major part of my recent Articles titled "[Minority Defense in Indian Freeze-Out Mergers: The Corporate Governance Shield](#)" published in RGNUL's Centre for Business Laws and Taxation (CBLT) and "[Boardroom Gender Diversity: Assessing the Effectiveness of Mandatory Quotas](#)" published in Argus Partners and RGNUL's Corporate Governance Series. Through these articles, I highlight how Corporate Governance can play a major role in safeguarding vulnerable stakeholders while also achieving the wealth maximisation objective of the business.

Through my previous internships, I got an opportunity to delve deeper into various commercial laws including the Companies Act 2013, the Indian Contract Act 1872, the Securities Contract (Regulations) Act, the SEBI (LODR) Regulations 2015, and the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999. In my last internship at **Economic Laws Practice (ELP) at their Mumbai Office** with their **Corporate and Commercial Team** I was assigned an array of research work relating to setting up of Data Centres in Maharashtra, Change in the location of the Registered Office, Use of creative commons licenses by a client, further, I was actively involved in drafting corporate and Environmental Compliance sections of a Due Diligence Report.

During my internship at "Triumvr Law," a boutique law firm in Bengaluru, I adeptly managed a demanding schedule, meeting deadlines while delivering precise work to partners. This experience instilled a strong sense of responsibility and a profound appreciation for the meticulousness demanded at a law firm.

I believe that my interest in researching and my comprehensive understanding of diverse legal dimensions would be resourceful for the dynamic work environment at Spice Route Legal. I eagerly anticipate the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead as an intern in your esteemed team.

Thank You for your time and consideration, I look forward to your valued response.