Legal news in brief

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SAM BENGALURU HEAD DEPARTS

Karthik K Mahalingam, the head of Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co's Bengaluru office announced his departure from the firm after working there for two years. He will be relocating to the US to study at the MIT Sloan School of Management, and undertaking the Sloan Fellows programme.

Mahalingam was also the national head of the firm's venture capital practice where he represented emerging companies and venture capitalists in a range of sectors, with a focus on consumer internet and technology. He was previously the director of legal at impact investment firm Omidyar Network.

UNIVERSAL LEGAL IN GROWTH MODE

Rashi Kapoor Mehta and Neha Sehgal Mirchandani have become equity partners at Mumbai-based Universal Legal.

"Rashi and Neha have both earned their place in leadership, having demonstrated the values and hard work that is emblematic of our firm," said founding partner Mohit Kapoor.

Angshuman Chaliha and Neelkamal Chaudhary were also promoted to senior associate roles.

Universal Legal strongly focuses on cross-border transactions, life sciences and real estate.

The 15-year-old firm is in the process of moving to a larger office space in Mittal Court, situated in Nariman Point in Mumbai, and has plans to further expand its team with new hires in the near future. "I am confident that our new hires will love working for a firm with our culture and environment," said Kapoor.

PS LAW ADDS TWO PARTNERS

Sunklan Porwal and Swati Jindal have joined PS Law as partners at the firm's Delhi office. Porwal has over eight years of experience in international and national environmental law and civil litigation. Jindal has experience in service and constitutional matters.

Both Porwal and Jindal appear regularly before the Supreme Court, as well as high courts and tribunals across India.

The firm is headed by managing partner and founder Preeti Singh. The new additions take the firm to three partners and 20 lawyers across its three offices in Delhi, Bengaluru and Chandigarh.