



### **Volintern Program: Launch 2006**

An integral part of the culture at Nishith Desai Associates is to lead initiatives that enhance the quality of legal education. Our Volintern Program is one such initiative, the only one of its kind available to law students across India.

The term *Volintern* is derived from the root words "voluntary" and "internship." The Volintern Program is a virtual internship for law students with a voluntary zeal, seeking practical training in essential legal skills such as research, analysis, drafting, procedural and effective communication. The Volinterns will engage in legal projects and assignments in their spare time, under the mentorship of our professionals.

The intention of the program is to empower future legal eagles with a wealth of knowledge as well as experience without distracting them from their studies. The Volinterns will be introduced to the fast emerging concept of "virtual organizations" -- where their physical presence in the workplace is not required. The program will be conducted primarily through email, phone and even text messaging.

Though primarily we are a law firm, we consciously strive to share our expertise via programs such as Volinterns and Continuing Education (CE), thereby developing a legal academy of our own. We actively indulge in educational rejuvenation. Research has played an important role in our success. The creation of an intellectually stimulating environment is our ultimate goal.

We offer all law students, from the first to the final year, exposure to the practical application of law. Our areas of expertise are: Taxation; Corporate & Securities; Funds; Information Technology; Media; Human Resources; Litigation; Pharma, Life Sciences & Healthcare and the Social Sector.

### **Benefits:**

Volinterns receive the following benefits:

- Opportunities for research into various aspects of law including case studies
- Involvement in select professional work
- Opportunities to extend legal assistance to NGOs
- Invitations to attend select in-house training programs
- Invitations to attend talks by visiting foreign legal professionals
- Inclusion on the mailing list of our "Hotlines". These are articles circulated online which report legal, tax and regulatory news updates as they occur
- A Certificate of Participation following satisfactory performance when they exit the program.

### **Registration:**

Interested students can register at <http://www.ndalaw.com/volinterns/> or send a mail to [volinterns@nishithdesai.com](mailto:volinterns@nishithdesai.com)

### **Launch:**

Date: August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006  
Time: 11 am  
Venue: Nishith Desai Associates, Auditorium, 104 B, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Mittal Court, Nariman Point, Mumbai 400 021



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### Interns' Feedback:

The amount of wisdom and experience that this month-long internship at **Nishith Desai Associates** has earned me, I would most definitely never have gained even at a six-month stint elsewhere. Another thing that struck me about the firm was its foresight. The firm was working on almost every upcoming and innovative arena of law – something that is a trademark feature of NDA – always being ahead of time. Also, everyone at the firm has the tenacity to do a hundred different things at a given time and most importantly, do each of them with perfection and expertise! I still cannot fathom how they do it. Commendable indeed. If a law student were looking for an all-gain-no-loss experience, I would strongly recommend the internship program at Nishith Desai Associates.

~ Shibani Aishwarya Rao

**Government Law College, Mumbai**

The effort that is taken to introduce the intern to the kind of work the firm deals in as well as the quality of work that is given was a new experience. Even the small effort like introducing all firm members was encouraging. The gruelling experience that NDA provided was interesting and stimulating. NDA was also a new experience in terms of how a professional law firm works in a competitive world. Many law firms, however competitive, do not take the pains of continuously educating themselves ... it was commendable and impressive to see that a law firm of NDA's stature takes up "learning" as a continuous process of one's career and takes measures like CE sessions every week on new and upcoming topics. The work environment is friendly and cooperative and most importantly very challenging.

~ Jayne Kuriakose

**National Law Institute University, Bhopal**

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