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Nationality: Malaysian

EDUCATION / LICENSES

- **University of Wolverhampton, United Kingdom**
Bachelor in Law, LLB (Hons), (1988-1991)
- **University of Malaya, Malaysia**
Certificate in Legal Practice (CLP), 1992 - 1993
- **Institute Commercial of Management (ICM), United Kingdom. Diploma, Business Studies, 1987 - 1988**

BIOGRAPHY:

A qualified Advocate & Solicitor, High Court of Malaya, called to the Malaysian Bar in 1994, Saaran is an active and senior legal practitioner with expertise in various areas of the law over a period of 32 years having vast experience in advocacy and appearance mainly in the High Court, Appellate Court and the Federal Court. An articulate, focused professional who possesses a vast wealth of knowledge and has a proven record in handling a wide range of contentious and non-contentious legal matters, in various jurisdiction including Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei dealing with issues related to civil litigation, dispute resolution, construction, commercial and company related issues, corporate mergers, acquisitions including share sales agreements and issues related to labor disputes, providing indispensable advice to clients and delivering positive outcomes .

FOOTBALL GOVERNING BODY INVOLVEMENT / EXPERIENCE

2021- 2025 : Executive Committee member- Football Association of Malaysia (FAM)

He held the position executive committee member of the Football Association of Malaysia (FAM) for the term 2021-2025 and was Chairman of the Legal, Rules and Regulations Committee and Deputy Chairman of the Player Status Committee.

2011 - 2025 : Player Status Committee - Football Association Malaysia (FAM)

He has been a member of the Player Status Committee of Football Association of Malaysia (FAM) since 2011, a position that he held for two terms. As a senior member of the Committee, he has dealt and resolved many cases including player status disputes, transfer of players disputes and contract issues between players and football clubs and the associations.

2018-2025:Legal, Rules and Regulations Committee - Football Association Malaysia (FAM)

He has been a member of the Legal, Rules and Regulations Committee of Football Association of Malaysia (FAM) since 2018 and resumed his position as the Chairman in 2021. In this role he was instrumental in drafting and editing the FAM's Statute (2019 edition). He was also spearheaded the drafting of the National Dispute Resolution Chambers Code (2018 edition) and the Player Status Code of FAM

2018 - 2023 : Member of the Appeals Committee of Asian Football Confederation (AFC).

As a member of the Appeals Committee of the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) for the term 2019-2023, he actively handled and resolved conflicts and disputes between football clubs, players and officials in the Asia region.

2018 - 2021 : Deputy Chairman of the Appeals Committee - ASEAN Football Federation (AFF)

In his role as Deputy Chairman, he was active in managing and steering dispute resolutions issues in this regional function.

2023-2027 : Member of the Disciplinary Committee of Asian Football Confederation (AFC)

He is currently a member of the Disciplinary Committee of the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) for the term 2023-2027. In this role he is tasked with dispute resolution and conflicts related to football clubs, players and officials in the Asia region.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Advocate & Solicitor/Managing Partner
M/S Saaran & Co
Sep 1998 – Present

- An experienced senior litigator in High Court, Court of Appeal and Federal Court of Malaya
- He also an active appointed lead counsel in Civil Litigation in the High Courts, Appellate Courts and the Federal Court for other legal practices
- Cases handled has been reported and cited in the Law Journals.

BAR MEMBERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member of The Malaysian Bar since 1994.

Bar Council Disciplinary Committee
2008 – Present

- Chairs disciplinary committees with regards to complaints and disputes involving legal practitioners;

Independent Director/Legal Advisor
2009 – Present

- Appointed as an advisor for various companies including public listed companies in Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei, India and Sri Lanka
- Appointed as an Independent Director of various public listed companies.
 - Scope included managing companies at corporate level including dealing with corporate mergers & take-overs and share transfers.
 - Advised companies on legal matters on disputes, corporate mergers & take-overs, share transfers and acquisitions.
 - Member of Audit Committees in several companies and companies undergoing restructuring.
- Frequently speaks and moderates seminars with AIAC (Asian International Arbitration Centre) and the Malaysian Bar

