



Ms. Usha A. Chandrasekhar

Usha Athreya Chandrasekhar is a lawyer by profession, and runs her own law firm, ATHREYA ASSOCIATES established in 1996. It is one of the very few all women law firms that specialize in Intellectual Properties, which covers trademarks, patents, copyrights, designs, franchising, licensing, etc. She has an extensive chamber practice with an impressive list of clients, ranging from multinationals, pharmaceuticals, restaurateurs, retailers, infrastructure companies, fertilisers and chemicals, FMCG, Luxury brand, media and advertising companies, health care companies, academics, schools, web-retailers, event management companies, fashion designers and sports celebrities

Innovation is a subject close to her heart. She is one of the very few qualified, trained, and certified drafters of patent specifications and is certified by the Federation of International Counsels for Industrial Property law and the Academy of the Institute of Patent Trademark Attorneys Australia. With her father's training in the field of creativity along with legal training in patenting has helped her help several young inventors develop and protect their innovations.

As an executive Committee Member of the Intellectual Property Law Practitioner's Association, she has been actively involved in the development of laws and rights pertaining to Intellectual Properties, and worked on committees reviewing various draft Bills on Patents, copyrights, trademarks and designs. She is also on the panel of consultant lawyers for IIT Mumbai.

Ms. Usha is also on the visiting faculty of Institutes and Centers of Intellectual Property Education, such as the Institute of Patent Studies, and IIT, Mumbai.

In addition she is also a member of International Intellectual Property organisations like AIPPI and Asian Patent Attorneys Association (APAA).

She is the Independent Director in FDC Limited.

She is also a trustee of Arogya Welfare Trust, and an active member of the local ALM.