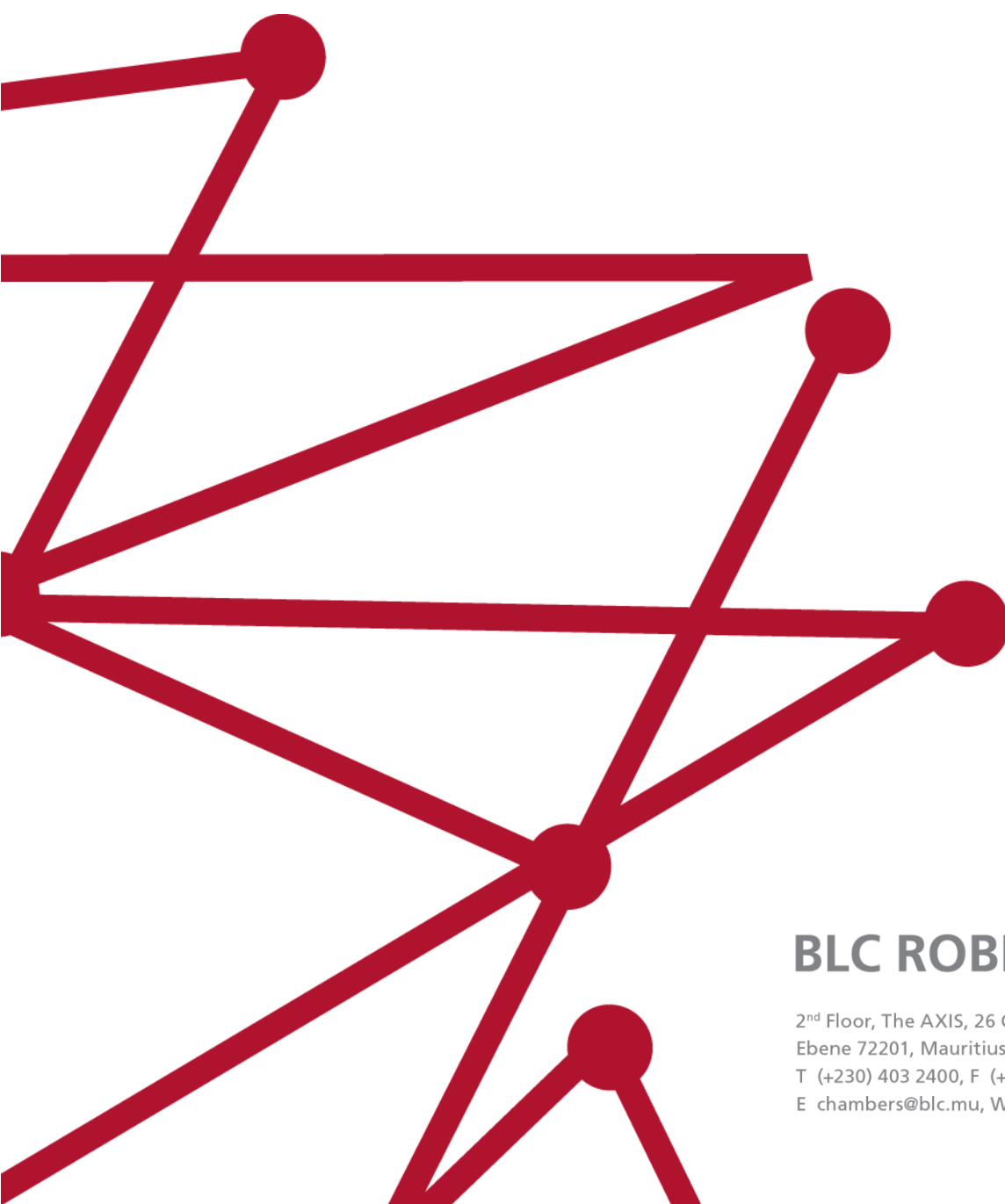


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## BACKGROUND

**Ammar Oozeer** is Counsel in the Regulatory and Compliance practice area at BLC Robert & Associates. He has experience advising on competition, data protection, telecommunications, internet and media, technology, privacy and cybersecurity, trademark and copyright, anti-money laundering, and advertising matters.

His dispute resolution practice focuses on competition litigation, trademark and copyright litigation, public sector procurement litigation and tax litigation. In addition, Ammar has a solid legislative drafting experience which he had acquired after having spent 10 years at the Attorney-General's Office.

Prior to joining the private practice, Ammar was a senior member of the Attorney-General's Office of Mauritius and he was advising the Government of Mauritius on technology, trademark and copyright, civil aviation and ports matters, and acting for the tax authority before the former Tax Appeal Tribunal. He has also represented the Director of Public Prosecutions in leading criminal cases.

## MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

- Mauritius Bar Association

## PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

2001 - 2002	LL.M Computer and Communications Law – Queen Mary College, University of London
1996 - 1997	Barrister Vocational Course, ranked 3 <sup>rd</sup> , Council of Legal Education, Mauritius
1993 - 1996	LL. B (Hons) – University of Mauritius

## CAREER SUMMARY

2016 - Date	Barrister, BLC Robert and Associates
2012 - 2016	Barrister, Juristconsult Chambers
2010 - 2012	Principal State Counsel, Attorney-General's Office
2009 - 2010	Inhouse Senior Legal Adviser, QCC Information Security Ltd, London UK
2009 - 2009	Principal State Counsel, Attorney-General's Office
2003 - 2009	Senior State Counsel, Attorney-General's Office & Director of Public Prosecution's Office
2000 - 2003	State Counsel, Attorney-General's Office & Director of Public Prosecution's Office
1999 - 2000	Temporary State Counsel, Attorney-General's Office & Director of Public Prosecution's Office

## AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Data Protection Law
- Technology, Media and Telecoms Laws
- Cybersecurity Law
- Copyright and Trademark Laws
- Competition Law
- Anti-Bribery and Corruption and Anti-Money Laundering
- Dispute Resolution
- Public Procurement/Public-Private Partnership

## TOP MATTERS – PRIVATE PRACTICE

### DATA PROTECTION AND PRIVACY LAWS

- Assisting international law firms on the conduct of the GDPR transfer impact assessment following the Court of Justice of the European Union in Schrems II decision.
- Advising a global social networking service provider on its data protection law compliance for its services.
- Advising a global multinational technology company which focusses on e-commerce and cloud computing on data protection law compliance for its services.
- Advising a global technology company on the use of cloud services by financial institutions.
- Advising an internationally well-known consumer electronics company on the introduction of its consumer electronics equipment in Mauritius.
- Advising a leading US multinational technology company on the provision of internet-based contents to Mauritian users.

- Advising an internationally well-known telecommunications company on the introduction of its telecommunication equipment in Mauritius.
- Advising an international brand in the fashion industry on its data protection law compliance.
- Advising one of the big four accounting firms on its data protection law compliance.

## **CYBERSECURITY**

- Advising a leading insurance company following a cybersecurity incident, including providing legal assistance at the IT Unit, Police Department.
- Providing legal assistance to a leading international financial institution following a cyber fraud.
- Advising a law firm in connection with a suspected cyber-attack of its computer network, including liaising with the regulator.
- Advising a foreign reinsurance company on an insurance claim following a cyber fraud on an insured.
- Advising a leading international US-based social network company on cybercrime law enforcement.
- Advising a management company following a cyber fraud and liaising with the IT Unit of the Police Department for the recovery of the funds.

## **TECHNOLOGY, MEDIA AND TELECOMS LAWS**

- Advising a leading US multinational technology company that specialises in internet-related services on its proposed payment service.
- Advising an international financing agency on the regulatory implications of implementing its B2B online platform to Mauritian-based companies.
- Advising a leading US multinational technology company on the legal and regulatory implications of the provision of entertainment contents on the internet to users in Mauritius.
- Advising a local financial institution on the legal and regulatory implications of using cloud-based services.
- Presiding the Policy, Regulatory and Institutional Working Group set up by the Ministry for ICT for the drafting of the National ICT Strategic Plan 2007-2011 and making recommendations to the Government of Mauritius (2007).

## **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW**


- Advising a local production company on the protection of its IP rights for works to be used in a leading international movie and reviewing the IP agreement.
- Acting for the respondent company following a trademark opposition raised against the registration of a trademark by a company in the pharmaceutical industry.
- Advising on trademark, copyright licensing and franchising agreements.
- Advising and acting for a five-star hotel group in relation to a dispute over the use of its tradename.
- Acting successfully for a hotel company in obtaining an injunctive relief against the unlawful use of its tradename.

## **LEGAL AND COMPLIANCE**

- Advising a global accounting firm on the data protection law compliance of the implementation of a software containing its personnel's contact details at a global level with the data stored within the EU.
- Advising an international financial institution on anti-money laundering law compliance with respect to activities conducted from Mauritius.
- Advising an EU-based company on AML compliance with respect to its prospective business activities with Mauritian companies.
- Advising an international business process outsourcing company on data protection law compliance in respect of employees' information.
- Monitoring changes in gambling and payments laws for a leading international payment service provider.

## **TAX LITIGATION**

- Acting successfully for a company in the entertainment sector in a tax dispute under the Income Tax Act.
- Acting successfully for a small and medium enterprise in the food production sector in a value added tax dispute before the Objections, Appeals and Dispute Resolutions Department of the Mauritius Revenue Authority and at the Assessment Review Committee.
- Acting successfully for an individual in a tax dispute concerning the residence status of an individual under the Income Tax Act before the Objections, Appeals and Dispute Resolutions Department, Mauritius Revenue Authority.

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- Acting successfully for a small and medium enterprise company in the manufacturing sector in a dispute concerning the H.S. Code classification for an imported product.

#### **COMPETITION LAW**

- Regularly advising companies on competition law and in relation to merger notifications.
- Acting for a global payment service provider before the Competition Commission.