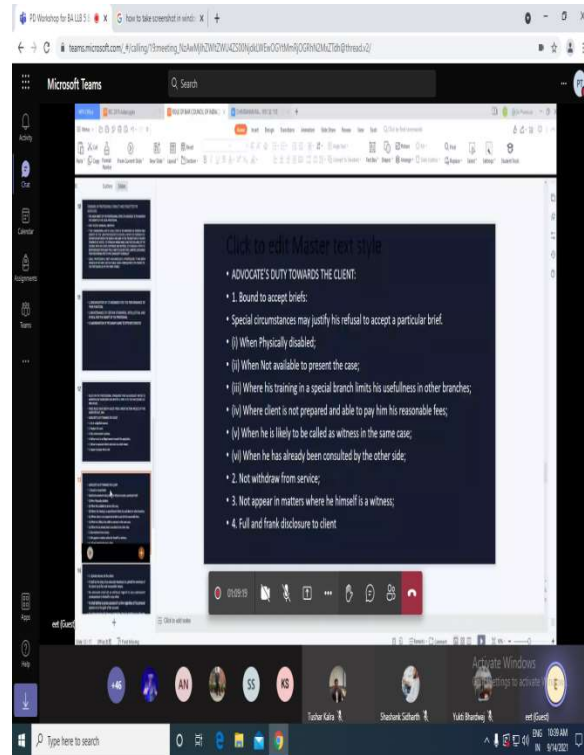


# PD WORKSHOP ON “FUNCTIONS OF BAR COUNCIL OF INDIA AND STATE BAR COUNCILS” 14<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Center for Legal Studies, Gitarattan International Business School organized a PD workshop entitled “Functions of Bar Council of India and State Bar Councils on 14th September 2021. The guest speaker for the session was Mr. Jeet Bhatt, Advocate, Gujarat High Court.



The objective of this event was to help the students understand the role of the Bar Council of India and State Bar Councils in ascertaining ethical, moral, and professional standards for advocates. A further aim was to acquaint the students to certain representative functions of the Bar Council. Students came to know that the Bar Council protects the rights, privileges, and interests of advocates and provides financial assistance to organize welfare schemes for the advocates.

The speaker commenced the session by discussing the history of the legal profession in India. He narrated the journey of creation of Advocates Act 1961. He also mentioned the legislative and executive instruments which protected the rights of the advocate in the absence of a concrete advocate protection law. The speaker informed the audience of the etiquettes, professional standards and code of conduct for advocates that have evolved through these years. In the concluding session the duties of the advocates towards the clients as well as towards the profession were discussed. Advocate Bhatt also highlighted the role played by the Bar Council in defining legal educational standards in India.

The speaker explained in lucid terms the functionalities of the Bar Council. He ended his session on an optimistic note by urging the students to combat the challenges faced by first-generation lawyers effectively.

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