



CED Mentor Biography

Name: Neil Bagchi

Current Occupation: Founder, Bagchi Law

Career Highlights:

- After spending five years practicing law with Hutchison Mason (now Hutchison Law Group) and Kennedy Covington (now KL Gates), Neil launched Bagchi Law in 2008. Bagchi Law is a boutique law firm serving as a “virtual general counsel” to small and medium-sized US technology and life science companies for both domestic and international transactions.
- Bagchi Law draws on Neil’s prior experience as head of an international practice group to provide its clients with international counsel as well.
- At Kennedy Covington, not only was Neil a member of the firm’s emerging growth/business and technology practice, but also he initiated and headed the firm’s India practice, the first India-focused legal practice in the Southeast US.
- Through this India practice, Neil represented private and public US and Indian companies in a variety of transactions including joint ventures, strategic partnership, establishing overseas offices and entities, and negotiating and drafting software development, drug discovery collaboration, manufacturing and distribution agreements.

Areas of Expertise:

- Accounting / Finance
- Business Development
- Business Funding
- Human Resources
- Information Technology
- Legal
- Marketing
- Operations
- Sales
- Other: _____

Education:

- Undergraduate and Law degrees from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where Neil was a Morehead Scholar.

Professional Affiliations / Volunteer Activities:

- Council For Entrepreneurial Development
- In 2007, Neil was recognized as attorney of the year by the IndUS Business Journal, one of the largest India business publications in the US.
- In 2008, Neil was recognized as North Carolina’s Legal Elite in the Young Guns category.
- A charter member of TiE-Carolinas and a board member of Nourish International and the Triangle Chapter of the World Trade Association.