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Aarthi Sivanandh is a senior partner at AZB & Partners practicing corporate law in India for over 23 years. Her practice focuses on the full spectrum of domestic and cross border business transactional matters: mergers and acquisitions, venture capital and private equity transactions, joint ventures, strategic business alliances and technology licensing agreements.

She has been ranked by the prestigious Chambers & Partners for the last five years for her work in the corporate and commercial sector in India. She has successfully spearheaded several landmark investment transactions and strategic alliances. Her expertise is also called for in matters of board governance and family business advisory.

Aarthi heads the Taiwan desk of AZB & Partners focusing on clients in the semiconductor sector, seeking to establish presence in India, form strategic technology arrangements, expand manufacturing capabilities, expand distribution/supply channels and navigate cross border business to India from the west and east.

Experience

• Senior Partner, AZB & Partners (2023)

Key Practice Areas

- Corporate/ Mergers & Acquisitions
- Private Equity & Venture Capital
- Private Client Practice
- Intellectual Property
- Microfinance
- Technology, Media & Telecommunications
- Pharmaceuticals, Healthcare & Life Sciences

Memberships

- Bar Council of India; Bar Council of Tamil Nadu and Puducherry (2004)
- National Committee on Regulatory Reforms, Confederation of Indian Industries (CII)

Professional Qualifications

- AI Governance Training from AI, Tech & Privacy Academy (2025)
- Post Graduate Diploma in Securities Law from Government Law College, Mumbai (2022)
- GDPR Data Protection Officer Certification from the e-Compliance Academy (2019)
- Master of Law, LLM, Tulane University Law School, USA (2002) (Distinction)
- Bachelor of Law, The Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University, Chennai (2000) (First Class)
- Bachelor of Commerce, Stella Maris College, University of Madras (1997) (Proficiency Award)

Ranked for Corporate / M&A by Chambers & Partners Global (2022)

Ranked as 'Band 1' for Corporate Commercial by Chambers & Partners Asia-Pacific (2024 – 2025)

Ranked for Private Wealth Law by the Chambers HNW (2022 – 2023)

Recognised as 'Highly Regarded' for M&A and Private Equity by IFLR1000 (2024)

Part of Asia's Top 15 Female Lawyers 2024, a list published by Asian Legal Business

Ranked for Mergers and Acquisitions by Chambers & Partners Asia–Pacific (2021 – 2022)

Recognised as Deal Maker, Merger and Acquisitions - League Table by Merger Market (2022)

Recognised as 'Notable Practitioner' for Private Equity by IFLR1000 (2020 & 2023)