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Amrisha Raniga Senior Associate **ENS**

PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

Amrisha Raniga is a Corporate M&A Lawyer at ENS in the Mergers and Acquisitions team, bringing over 13 years of top tier law firm experience in South Africa, as well as global exposure through an international secondment with a Magic Circle law firm headquartered in London.

She specialises in domestic and cross-border private mergers, acquisitions, disposals, restructurings, empowerment transactions, and corporate-commercial matters. She is a sector-agnostic advisor. She has successfully represented both domestic and multinational clients across diverse industries, including financial services, mining, healthcare, ICT and food retail. Her ability to navigate legal challenges across these varied sectors underscores her versatility.

Amrisha plays a central role in structuring, negotiating, and drafting bespoke agreements, and she has a proven track record in managing multi-disciplinary deal teams, ensuring the seamless execution of complex transactions.

Amrisha is known for her adeptness in navigating complex transactions. She is committed to optimising value and managing risk for her clients, combining a deep understanding of both legal and strategic nuances to ensure that each deal not only meets legal objectives but also maximises long-term value.

In the formative stages of her tenure at ENS, Amrisha built a broad and versatile foundation as a generalist, acquiring significant experience across corporate-commercial law, M&A, technology, media and telecommunications, healthcare, pharmaceutical law, data privacy, advertising, consumer law, and regulatory compliance. This diverse expertise has enabled her to provide holistic, strategic advice on a wide array of transactions. Over time, she made a deliberate shift to specialize in M&A, leveraging her comprehensive skill set to tackle high-value transactions, adding substantial value to clients in both domestic and cross-border contexts.

After nearly six years as a generalist at ENS between 2013 and 2018, Amrisha made the strategic decision to step away from the cusp of partnership to deepen her expertise as an M&A lawyer and stregthen her M&A deal sheet. This bold pivot led to a formative 6.5year chapter at a competitor, where she gained hands-on experience in complex, high-value transactions and evolved into a true M&A specialist. Her career also includes an eight-month international secondment in the Munich, Germany office of a magic circle firm, where she collaborated with colleagues across New York, Amsterdam, and other global offices, further broadening her perspective on crossborder transactions.

Despite her nearly 13 years of top-tier private practice experience and the capability to assume a more senior role, Amrisha has recently intentionally chosen to return to ENS as a Senior Associate. This deliberate and uncommon decision underscores her unwavering commitment to building enduring value and trust within the firm. By consciously prioritising substance over status, she is able to re-establish herself as a dedicated M&A specialist, having previously served as a generalist at the firm, now focused on cultivating meaningful, long-term professional relationships and fostering deep client engagement. Her approach exemplifies leadership through expertise and consistent delivery, demonstrating that true influence is earned through capability and integrity rather than formal titles. This principled stance reflects both strategic clarity and a genuine investment in the firm's future, setting her apart as a values-driven professional dedicated to excellence and lasting impact.

AREA OF EXPERTISE

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QUALIFICATIONS

LLB (University of the Witwatersrand)

LLM in Corporate Law (cum laude) (University of the Witwatersrand)

Certificate Course in Advanced Company Law II (University of the Witwatersrand)

Foundation Programme in Private Equity (Gordon Institute of Business Science)

Certificate Course in Negotiation Mastery (Harvard Business School)

Admitted as an attorney of the High Court of South Africa 🤌



