

SUPREME COURT BAR ASSOCIATION (SCBA) ELECTION

Candidate KYC (Know Your Candidate) Questionnaire-cum-Declaration Form

To be filled, verified, and signed by the candidate. This form, once signed, will be published on Lawyers Association for Constitution (lafc.in) website.

This questionnaire is designed to help voters evaluate candidates contesting the SCBA elections by ensuring transparency regarding their personal background, professional record, legal ethics, and policy stances. The candidate must fill in every field truthfully and sign the verification line at the bottom of every page, in addition to the final Declaration on the last page.

Note to candidate: Type your answers directly into the blank lines below, Leave a field blank and write "NIL" where not applicable. Sign at the bottom of every page.

Please give the answers just below the questions (so that people can read properly in Mobile)

Section 1: Basic & Personal Information.

Post - SCBA President

Full Name

Siddharth Mridul

Age

64 Years

Section 2: Educational & Professional Qualifications

Undergraduate & Legal Qualification

Degree(s) Obtained

B.A. (Honours) in History, LLB

College/University Attended

1. Hindu College, University of Delhi,
2. Campus Law Centre- Faculty of Law, University of Delhi

Year of Passing Out

B.A. (Honours)- 1983, LLB- 1986

Additional / Master's Qualifications (e.g., LL.M., Ph.D.)

NIL

Section 3: Enrolment & Membership in Bar Associations

Enrolment Details

Year of Enrolment as an Advocate - 1986

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Date: 12.08.2026

Name of the State Bar Council
Bar Council of Delhi

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Professional Status

Advocate , Advocate-on-Record (AOR) / Senior Advocate , (If applicable)

If Candidate is a Senior Advocate, the Court mention the Court which designated :

Designated as a Senior Advocate by Hon'ble High Court of Delhi

Bar Association Memberships (List all active and past memberships in SCBA, High Court Bar Associations, District Bar Associations, etc.)

- 1) Supreme Court Bar Association (1986)
- 2) Delhi High Court Bar Association (1992)

Membership in Other Professional/Academic Associations if any,

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)

NIL

If you are a member of any Political Party, please give details, if not, mention as " NO"

(Past or present membership, post held, or explicit non-affiliation)

NO.

Section 4: Electoral History in SCBA

Number of Times Contested in SCBA Elections

NIL

Details of Previous Contests (Posts contested, year, and results/outcome)

NIL

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Past Office-Bearer Positions Held (In SCBA or any other Bar/Legal organisation)

- 1) Honorary Secretary- Bar Council of Delhi (1994-1997)
- 2) Vice Chairman- Bar Council of Delhi (1998-2003)

Section 5: Legal & Criminal Antecedents, if any: *NIL***Pending Criminal Cases (As Accused)**

Case Number / FIR Details

Specific Offences Charged

Court Handling the Case

Disposed-Off Cases,

Outcome (Acquittal / Discharge / Quashed / Conviction)

Specific Offences Charged

Details/Summary of Court Order(s)

Section 6: Active Practice & Physical Presence

Physical Presence in Court Total number of days physically present in the Supreme Court in preceding year from 1st August 2025 to 1st Aug 2026

almost every working day

Key Areas of Practice (at least 5)

- 1) Criminal
- 2) Civil
- 3) Constitutional
- 4) Election
- 5) Corporate (Company Law)

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Section 8: Policy Views & Legal Vision

Vision for SCBA Members (50 words each)

1. Key Priorities regarding advocate welfare

I believe that advocate welfare must begin with respect for advocates' time, dignity and everyday concerns. My first act is to create a structure wherein my endeavour will be to reduce avoidable procedural burdens, improve facilities and access to the association for grievances.

2. Chamber Allotment

The allotment of Chambers has been a genuine and longstanding concern in the Supreme Court. The process has to be undertaken with the essential principles of fairness and transparency. I would seek support of the members of this prestigious association to explore practical solutions.

3. Medical Insurance

It is my sincerest hope that the SCBA provides every member a great sense of confidence during medical necessity and emergency. I aim for an accessible and meaningful healthcare support system keeping in mind the diverse circumstances of all our members.

4. Court Infrastructure

My vision is for court infrastructure that serves advocates and litigants first—functional, accessible and worthy of the institution. I believe existing spaces and facilities should be assessed pragmatically, with greater emphasis on what the Bar actually needs, while exploring whether underutilized spaces can be put to more meaningful use.

5. Young Lawyer Support

I aim for a Bar where young lawyers can build their practice with dignity, guidance and confidence. Their concerns deserve a stronger voice within the SCBA, particularly around access, professional opportunities and mentorship. A thriving young Bar strengthens the institution for everyone.

Your opinion on the Selection & Appointment of Judges What is your stance on the current Collegium System versus alternative models (e.g., Judicial Appointments Commission with Bar representation)? What should be the correct, transparent method for selecting Supreme Court and High Court judges? (50 words)

My vision is for a judicial appointments process that commands confidence across the Bar and the Bench. I believe there is a need for greater transparency, clarity, consistency and accountability in the selection and appointment of judges. I will advocate for constructive dialogue towards that objective.

Section 9: Message to Voters

In one paragraph (100 words or less), describe to voters what you stand for as a candidate

I seek your support for an SCBA that listens closely to the everyday experiences and concerns of its members and responds with practical, thoughtful reform. My vision is to make the Court experience more efficient, predictable and advocate-friendly, while ensuring that our limited spaces and institutional resources are used in ways that genuinely serve the Bar. I believe that even long-standing practices deserve to be periodically reviewed especially when they create avoidable inconvenience or no longer reflect present needs. Equally, spaces within the Court complex should be assessed by their relevance to advocates and the functioning of justice. Change should be purposeful, consultative and member-centric.

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Declaration & Verification

I, the undersigned, being a candidate for the Supreme Court Bar Association (SCBA) Election, do hereby solemnly declare and affirm as follows:

1. The information furnished by me in the foregoing Questionnaire is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and no material fact has been concealed, suppressed, or misrepresented therein.
2. I am aware that this Declaration, together with my answers to the Questionnaire, is being obtained for the purpose of the SCBA Election KYC and will be published on the website of Lawyers' Association for Constitution (lafc.in) website for the information of the electorate.
3. I undertake full responsibility for the accuracy of the information furnished above, and I understand that furnishing false or misleading information may render me liable to such consequences as may be prescribed under applicable law.

Name of Candidate (Block Letters):

SIDDHARTH MRIDUL

Enrolment / Membership No.:

D/349/1986

Place:

NEW DELHI

Date:

12/08/2026

Signature of Candidate:

(Signature to be affixed by the candidate; a scanned/typed signature or e-signature as accepted by SCBA for the purpose of this online form.)