

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 - Contesting for Member Executive

Full Name

Manish Tiwari

Age

37

Section 2: Educational & Professional Qualifications

Undergraduate & Legal Qualification

Degree(s) Obtained

B.A. LL.B.(Hons.)

College/University Attended

Amity Law School, GGSIPU University

Year of Passing Out

2013

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

None

Section 3: Enrolment & Membership in Bar Associations

Enrolment Details

Year of Enrolment as an Advocate – 2014

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Date: 10.08.2026

Name of the State Bar Council
Madhya Pradesh State Bar Council

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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 :

Advocate-on-Record, AOR Code 3172

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

Member of Supreme Court Bar Association

Membership in Other Professional/Academic Associations if any,
NO

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

Contesting for the first time

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

None

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

None

Section 5: Legal & Criminal Antecedents, if any : None

Pending Criminal Cases (As Accused)

Case Number / FIR Details None

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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*

Between 1 August 2025-1 August 2026:

- As an AOR, I have filed over 70 Special Leave Petitions, Vakalathnamas for Respondents, and caveats;
- Have over 150 physical appearances.

Key Areas of Practice (at least 5)

- 1) Criminal
 - 2) Civil
 - 3) Family Law
 - 4) Consumer
 - 5) Environment/Wildlife
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Section 8: Policy Views & Legal Vision

Vision for SCBA Members (50 words each)

- 1)Key priorities regarding advocate welfare,
- 2)chamber allotment
- 3) medical insurance,
- 4)court infrastructure,
- 5) young lawyer support.

In all fairness, neither do I believe in false commitments and fake promises, nor I want to write something which I may not be able to do. However, as Member Executive, I will consistently raise issues of advocate welfare, fair chamber allotment, and better implementation of medical insurance schemes within the Executive Committee.

I will press for timely updates on court infrastructure projects, and support mentorship and practical guidance for young lawyers, with transparent communication and accountability to members.

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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)*

The judicial appointments system requires greater transparency, particularly regarding judicial qualifications and clear suitability criteria. I favour a reformed, independent Judicial Appointments Commission with diverse representation, including judicial, executive, and Bar perspectives. A redesigned NJAC, with appropriate safeguards for judicial independence, could provide a more transparent and credible appointments process.

Section 9: Message to Voters

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

I stand for honest, accessible representation of every SCBA member's concerns, whether young lawyers or senior advocates.

As Member Executive, my focus will be on transparent functioning of the Association, timely communication on decisions affecting members, and follow-through on welfare and infrastructure issues raised in Executive meetings.

I do not promise grand transformations single-handedly; I promise sincere effort, being approachable, and regular accountability to those who elect me.

I seek your vote to serve with diligence, integrity, and transparency.

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): _____ MANISH TIWARI _____

Enrolment / Membership No.: _____ MP 475/2014 | T-00518 _____

Place: _____ DELHI _____

Date: _____ 10.08.2026 _____

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.)

