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Educational/ Professional Memberships

Educational Qualifications

- **1979** – B.Sc. (Hons.) from Hansraj College, Delhi University
- **1982** – LL.B. from Faculty of Law, Delhi University

Professional Memberships

- Delhi International Arbitration Centre (DIAC)
- Indian Council of Arbitration (ICA)
- PHD Chambers of Commerce and Industry
- Indian Dispute Resolution Centre (IDRC)
- Chandigarh Arbitration Centre (CAC)
- Nani Palkhivala Arbitration Centre

Current Position

- Arbitrator, Conciliator, Mediator and Legal Consultant
- Senior Advocate practicing before Supreme Court of India
- *Professor Emeritus*, Galgotias University
- *Distinguished Professor*, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (RGNUL)
- *Administrator*, Kalkaji Temple appointed by the Delhi High Court

Professional Experience

11th April, 2008 to 7th July, 2021

- Served as a Judge of Delhi High Court for more than 13 years. As a Judge, presided over several jurisdictions including Judge-in-Charge of Original side of Delhi High Court. Also headed a Division Bench hearing Criminal Appeals involving life and death sentence references.

- Served as the Chairperson of *Delhi International Arbitration Centre (DIAC)*. During the tenure, various new initiatives were successfully undertaken, namely: framing of Rules for Empanelment of Arbitrators; Empanelment of Arbitrators under the new Rules; stage wise disbursal of Fees to the Arbitrators; improved Website of DIAC with added features; Audio-visual tour of DIAC on the Website; release of first issue of DIAC Journal of Arbitration; and Guidelines for arbitration proceedings by video conference during pandemic.
- Served as the Chairperson of *Judicial Education and Training Programme Committee* of High Court of Delhi and supervised the training of Judges at *Delhi Judicial Academy*. During the tenure, *Good Practices* arising out of the judgments of Delhi High Court were uploaded on the Website of *Delhi Judicial Academy*.
- Served as a Member of the *Sub-Committee of the Supreme Court on use of Artificial Intelligence* in MACT cases.
- Served as a Member of the Advisory Board of *Conservation of Foreign Exchange & Prevention of Smuggling Activities Act, 1974 (COFEPOSA)* in 2015, 2016, 2020 and 2021.
- Presided over the Tribunal under *Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967* to examine the ban on the activities of United Liberation Front of Assam (ULFA) in 2012.
- As a Judge, actively initiated judicial reforms in various jurisdictions namely, Arbitration, Motor Accident Claims, Execution Cases, Maintenance in Matrimonial Cases, Compensation to Victims of Crime, Prosecution for False Claims, Prosecution of Proclaimed Offenders, etc.

5th August, 1982 to March, 2008

- Practiced Law for 26 years before various Courts including Supreme Court, Delhi High Court and other High Courts. Also appeared as a Counsel before the Arbitrators/Arbitral Tribunals.
- Represented Govt. of NCT of Delhi as Standing Counsel (Civil) before the High Court of Delhi from May, 2006 until elevation as a Judge in April, 2008.

Teaching Experience

1989 to 1992

- Lecturer at Campus Law Centre, Faculty of Law, Delhi University and taught various subjects including Code of *Civil Procedure*, *Indian Evidence Act*, *Transfer of Property Act*, *Delhi Rent Control Act*, *Limitation Act*, *Arbitration Act*, *Motor Vehicles Act*, *Court Fees Act*, *Suit Valuation Act*, *Indian Registration Act*, and *Indian Stamp Act*.

- Authored and compiled the synopsis and case material on the subjects of “*Pleading and Conveyancing*” and “*Motor Accident Compensation*” for Campus Law Centre.
- While teaching, organized a Lok Adalat for Motor Accidents Cases in Campus Law Centre in 1991 in which the compensation was computed by Law students and the computation was submitted to the Lok Adalat Judges in advance to assist the claimants in obtaining fair compensation.

2008 to 2021

- Even after elevation to the Bench, continued to visit various law schools to deliver guest lectures. Had been a resource person for training of Judges in National Judicial Academy as well as State Judicial Academies.

Arbitration Experience

- Actively involved in Arbitration proceedings as an Arbitrator.
- Presently conducting more than 45 arbitrations as an Arbitrator including Presiding Arbitrator in two cases and Co-Arbitrator in six cases of three Member Arbitral Tribunal.
- Appointed as an Arbitrator by Delhi High Court; *Delhi International Arbitration Centre (DIAC)* and *Indian Council of Arbitration (ICA)*.

Publications/ Books

- Amendments to Code of Civil Procedure in 2002.
- Motor Accident Claims Referencer - First Edition in 2011.
- Motor Accident Claims Referencer - Second Edition in 2012.

Languages

- Written: English and Hindi
- Spoken: English, Hindi and Punjabi