

Mr. Justice K.M.Hasan, Former Chief Justice of Bangladesh

Son of late Justice Khandaker Mohammad Hasan

Hails from Munshiganj.

Academic Qualifications: B.A.(Hon's), M.A (Dhaka), LL.M(London University), Barrister-at law (Lincoln's Inn).

Career:- Diplomatic :- Former Ambassador of Bangladesh to Iraq.

Legal :- Enrolled as an advocate in the Supreme Court of Bangladesh in 1963, elevated to the Bench in 1991, and appointed as the Chief Justice of Bangladesh in 2004.

President of the Commonwealth Secretariat Arbitral Tribunal, London; term ended recently.

Justice Hasan had a chequered career spanning more than 40 years in the legal profession including being a former International Associate of the American Bar Association, former part time lecturer of law, Dhaka University, former Governing Body Member of the Central Law College, Honorary Secretary and Director of Bangladesh Institute of Law and International Affairs from 1975-1980 & a former member of the Bangladesh Bar Council. He was also the Convenor of the 'PILOT PROJECT DESIGN COMMITTEE' for introducing Mediation in the Family Courts of Bangladesh.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

He was awarded a fellowship to attend **a course on the American & International Law**, at the University of Texas, Dallas in 1979 and attended under an exchange program "**Higher Legal Training Course**" in America in 1984.

Justice Hasan represented Bangladesh in the **Islamic Foreign Ministers Conference** held in Baghdad in 1981, & the **Non-Aligned Labour Ministers Conference** held in Baghdad, Iraq, in 1998, **SAARC Law Conference**, Karachi, Pakistan, 1997, **Family Courts of Australia 25th Anniversary Conference** held in Sydney, Australia in 2001; seminar on "**Professionals in the Wider Community**" sponsored by the Commonwealth Secretariat held in Kuala Lumpur and Singapore in 1979, Judicial Colloquiums on "**Discrimination Against Women**", held in Colombo, Sri Lanka in 1998, '**Application of International Human Rights Norms**', held in Bangalore, India, in 1998 "**The Application of International Human Rights Law at the Domestic Level**" sponsored by the UN and held in Vienna, Austria in 1999, '**Access to Justice**', held in New Delhi in 2002, '**Strengthening Judicial Integrity**', held in Colombo, Sri Lanka in 2003 and the '**Conference of the Chief Justices of Asia and Pacific**', held in Tokyo, Japan, 2003.

PUBLICATIONS

He co-authored a book on “Legal Aspects of Population Planning in Bangladesh”, and has written many articles and delivered lectures on Alternative Dispute Resolutions in Bangladesh, Access to Justice, Children in Jail, Legal Aid, Human Rights Violation and Impunity, Keeping victim girls in Safe Custody in Bangladesh, Justice for Women and Good Governance etc.

Justice Hasan is married to Mrs Shamim Hasan, daughter of former Central Government Industries Minister of Pakistan and noted industrialist, late Mr A.K.Khan.