

## **HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE G.S. SISTANI**

Born on March 11<sup>th</sup>, 1958, and studied in Frank Anthony Public School, New Delhi. Graduated from Hindu College, Delhi University, in 1979 and pursued LL.B. in 1982. Enrolled as an Advocate with the Bar Council of Delhi in 1982 and started his legal career with a Law Firm. Later on, joined his father, Mr. N.S. Sistani, who was a reputed Senior Advocate in the High Court of Delhi.

Practiced law in the High Court of Delhi and the Supreme Court of India in Commercial, Civil, Writ, Original and Company jurisdictions, besides Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Commission (now the Competition Commission), Debt Recovery Tribunal and Arbitration law. Dealt with cases relating to Constitutional law, Banking, Taxation, Real Estate, Administration, Corporate, Commercial Services etc. Represented Government of Delhi in a variety of cases relating to Directorate of Education, Excise, Service Matters etc. Had represented the Delhi Development Authority and was the Standing Counsel for Punjab & Sind Bank. Appeared for several private and nationalized banks, public sector undertakings and multinational companies. Was appointed *Amicus Curiae* in several cases by the High Court and worked *pro bono* for the Delhi High Court Legal Services Committee.

Has been a keen sportsman/Golfer and was the Head Boy of his school. Has remained associated with social organizations and was a committee member of an aided school.

Elevated as Additional Judge of the High Court of Delhi w.e.f. May 29, 2006. Appointed as Member of the State Advisory Board in 2007 and 2010 and Chairperson in 2013. Appointed as Chairperson of the COFEPOSA & The Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act in 2011. Appointed as Member of the Overseeing Committee, Delhi High Court Mediation and Conciliation Centre in 2014 and thereafter its Chairperson since 2017 till March 2020. Attended a Refresher Workshop and Basic Training Workshop in the year 2017; and Advanced Training Workshop organised by Delhi High Court Mediation & Conciliation Centre in 2018. Attended Advanced Mediation Training Programme held at Pepperdine University Campus, USA, in 2018. Appointed as Presiding Officer of Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Tribunal in the matter of Meitei Extremist organization of Manipur in 2019. Appointed as Chairman of Delhi High Court Legal Services Committee in March, 2019 and thereafter its Executive Chairman in May, 2019. Appointed as Member of the Governing Council of National Law University, Delhi in February, 2019. Appointed as Chairperson of the Judicial Education and Training Programme Committee in 2019.

Cool, calm and patient known as Mr. Cool who rarely lost his temper in court, yet known to be very firm but polite. His popularity amongst the members of the bar was unmatched which was evident from the crowd which turned out on the day of his retirement.