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### **Educational and Professional Memberships**

#### Education

- Bachelor of Commerce – Nagarjuna University
- Bachelor of Laws – Nagarjuna University
- Mediation Course from Pepperdine University

#### Professional

- Called to the Bar of Andhra Pradesh, India in 1982
- Designated as Senior Advocate in 2000
- Served as Additional Solicitor General of India for two terms.
- Former Judge, Supreme Court of India
- Door Tenant, 39 Essex Chambers
- Empanelled Arbitrator at:
  - Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC)
  - Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC), Malaysia
  - Kigali International Arbitration Centre (KIAC), Rwanda
  - Indian Council of Arbitration
  - Delhi International Arbitration Centre
- Empanelled mediator at Singapore International Mediation Center (SIMC)

### **Current Position**

- Arbitrator and Mediator
- Trustee of International Arbitration and Mediation Centre, Hyderabad
- Door Tenant, 39 Essex Chambers
- Heading the Single Member Committee, Hyderabad Cricket Association a constituent member of the BCCI

### **Professional Experience**

Justice Rao has over forty years of experience specialising in Commercial, Civil, Criminal, Service, Arbitration, Tax and Election laws at the Bar and Bench. Subsequent to his call to the Bar in 1982 he practiced across various courts in India in a myriad of matters. He was designated as Senior Advocate in 2000 and served Additional Solicitor General on two occasions, in 2003 and 2013. In 2016, Justice Rao was the 7<sup>th</sup> person to be directly elevated to the Supreme Court of India. During his tenure Justice Rao has been pivotal in shaping Indian law with his notable judgments on

commercial laws, personal liberty and social security for the marginalised communities in Indian society. Additionally, he played a fundamental role in structuring of tribunals and revamping the criminal judicial system tackling the issues of expediency of trials and appeals. Post demitting office in 2022, he is serving as an Arbitrator and Mediator in addition to revamping the constitutions of sporting bodies such as the All India Football Federation and the Indian Olympic Association.

### **Arbitration Experience**

#### As an Arbitrator

Appointed as an arbitrator in ICC, SIAC, IGCC, ICA and DIAC arbitrations, as also ad hoc domestic and international commercial arbitrations seated in India as a sole arbitrator, presiding arbitrator and co-arbitrator.

#### As an Expert Witness

Have acted as an expert witness on India Law issues before foreign courts.

#### As a Judge of the Supreme Court of India

Delivered the following key judgments in the field of Arbitration in India:

- i. Delhi Airport Metro Express Pvt. Ltd. vs. Delhi Metro Rail Corporation - (2022) 9 SCC 286
- ii. The Secretary to Govt. of Kerala, Irrigation Department and Ors. vs. James Varghese and Ors. - (2022) 9SCC 593
- iii. Delhi Airport Metro Express Pvt. Ltd. vs. Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Ltd. - (2022) 1 SCC 131
- iv. Haryana Space Application Centre and Ors. vs. Pan India Consultants Pvt. Ltd. - (2021) 3 SCC 103
- v. Pusapati Ashok Gajapathi Raju and Ors. vs. Pusapati Madhuri Gajapathi Raju and Ors. – 2021 SCC OnLineSC 1030
- vi. South Delhi Municipal Corporation vs. SMS AAMW Tollways Private Ltd. - (2019) 11 SCC 776
- vii. P.E.C. Limited vs. Austbulk Shipping SDN BHD - (2019) 11 SCC 620
- viii. Ramjee Power Construction Ltd. vs. Jharkhand Urja Vikas Nigam Limited and Ors. – 2019 (2) PLJR SC 321
- ix. Raveechee and Co. vs. Union of India (UOI) - (2018) 7 SCC 664
- x. M.P. Power Generation Co. Ltd. and Ors. vs. Ansaldo Energia SPA and Ors. - (2018) 16 SCC 661
- xi. Inox Wind Ltd. vs. Thermocables Ltd. - (2018) 2 SCC 519

### **Publications**

Authored the following book published by Lexis Nexis in May 2023:

CORPOATE INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS AND LIQUIDATION UNDER THE INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY CODE, 2016

### **Languages**

English, Hindi and Telugu