

1. NAME : Nihal Jayamanne
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7. EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL :
 - Advocate (1970-1974)
 - Attorney At-Law (1974-1995)
 - President's Counsel (Equivalent to Queen's Counsel) since 1995
8. MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES :
 - The Law Commission of Sri Lanka since 1994
 - The Bar Association of Sri Lanka; 2006 to date - President
 - SAARC Sri Lanka Chapter - President till March 2007
 - SAARC LAW - Executive Committee Member - Present
 - SAARC LAW – Vice President – Present
 - Director – Heritage Foundation for the Arts
9. SUMMARY OF COURT RELATED EXPERIENCE : As Counsel representing parties in Court on important Commercial Matters, Company Law, Constitutional Matters, Election Law and land related cases.
- Fundamental Rights Cases – including the case on the Anti-Conversion Bill
10. SUMMARY OF RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE ON PROJECTS :
- Project name:** The Commercial Law Project of the Legal and Judicial Reforms Project of the Ministry of Justice. World Bank Project
Year: 1999 to present
Position Held: Team Leader - Partnership Law Core Group
Duties: Review of Partnership Law with a view towards updating it to promote investment and commerce in Sri Lanka. Draft new Partnership Law in keeping with international best practices.
- Project name:** Land Tiling Project of the Ministry of Lands
Year: 2000 to 2001 **2nd project** 2004 and continuing
Position Held: Local Legal Consultant
Duties:
 - Review law relating to land tiling.
 - Make suggestions on law reform.
 - Amendments to the existing law

Project name: Drafting of the new Company Law Act
Year: 2003 to 2007
Position Held: Committee Member
Duties: Recommend amendments and improvements to the existing law culminating in the drafting of the new Company Law Act.

Project name: Law Week 2006
Year: October/November 2006
Duties: As President of the BASL – spearheaded the organization of the event under the theme “Access to Justice – “Law unto the People”.

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: **Institution:** – AIRLANKA (Presently Sri Lankan Airlines)
Year: 1994-1999

Position Held: Executive Director

Relevant Duties:

- Day to day advise on the Management of the Company
- Advice on the Privatization process.
- Negotiating Collective Agreements with the Pilots Guild, Engineers Union and Aircraft Technicians Union on behalf of the Company.

Institution: – Law Commission of Sri Lanka

Year: 1994 - present

Position Held: Commissioner appointed in terms of the statute by Her Excellency The President

Duties:

- Identify areas of law requiring change and updating.
- Make suggestions on law reform.
- Review and recommend in relation to proposed law.

Institution: – Council of Legal Education

Year: 2006 - present

Position Held: Member

Duties: Active involvement in the regulatory body which conducts studies and examinations for the purpose of enrolling lawyers to the legal profession.

Institution: – National Police Commission

Year: 2007

Position Held: Member

Duties: The Police Commission is established under the Constitution – and it regulates the appointments, transfers and dismissal of Police Officers and entertains Police complaints against Police Officers.

Institution: – The Legal Cluster

Year: 2004 to date

Position Held: Member – Appointment by the Head of State

Duties: Active involvement in the body that promotes judicial reform to establish a modern legal infrastructure to facilitate commerce and investment