

**FULL COURT REFERENCE TO BE HELD ON 20<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2015 AT 3.00 P.M. ON THE SAD DEMISE OF LATE SHRI S.C JAIN, FORMER JUDGE OF HIGH COURT OF DELHI AND HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD**

**JUSTICE G. ROHINI**  
**CHIEF JUSTICE**

My esteemed brother and sister Judges,  
Shri Sanjay Jain, Additional Solicitor General of India;  
Shri K.K. Manan, Chairman, Bar Council of Delhi;  
Shri Rajeev Khosla, President, Delhi High Court Bar Association;  
Shri Abhijat, Hony. Secretary, Delhi High Court Bar Association;  
Shri Raman Duggal, Standing Counsel (Civil), Govt. of NCT of Delhi;  
Shri Rahul Mehra, Standing Counsel (Criminal), Govt. of NCT of Delhi;  
Other Standing Counsels of the Central and State Government;  
Executive Members of the Delhi High Court Bar Association;  
Office Bearers of other District Bar Associations,  
Senior Advocates,  
Members of the Bar,  
Family members of Justice Sagar Chand Jain;  
Ladies and Gentlemen.

We have assembled here this afternoon, with a profound sense of grief and sorrow, to pay homage to Justice S.C. Jain, a former Judge of Delhi High Court who passed away on 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2015 at the age of 82 after a brief illness.

Justice Sagar Chand Jain was born on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 1933. His father was in the noble profession of 'teaching' in Rohtak. He obtained his B.A. Degree from the Government College of Rohtak and later he shifted to Delhi and pursued LLB from Law Faculty, Delhi University.

He enrolled himself as an advocate with the Bar Council of Delhi and practiced as an advocate in Tis Hazari Courts. Initially, he joined Judicial Service in Punjab & Haryana in 1964 and subsequently in the year 1970, he was absorbed in the Delhi Judicial Service. After a period of about five years, in July, 1976, he was promoted as Additional District & Sessions Judge in Delhi Higher Judicial Service. Apart from presiding the Industrial Disputes Appellate Tribunal, New Delhi for a considerable period, he was also the Judicial Member of the Customs, Excise, Gold (Control) Appellate Tribunal for almost a period of 2 years, from 1983 to 1985.

He was the Registrar of Delhi High Court during the period 27<sup>th</sup> April, 1989 to 12<sup>th</sup> July, 1990 and made valuable contributions for smooth administration of the High Court. On 13<sup>th</sup> July, 1990, he was elevated as an Additional Judge of the Delhi High Court and became the permanent Judge on 7<sup>th</sup> November, 1990.

He was transferred to Allahabad High Court on 28<sup>th</sup> April, 1994. After serving at the High Court of Allahabad, for almost over a year, Justice S. C Jain retired from service on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 1995.

Although I have never had the opportunity of a personal acquaintance with Justice S.C Jain, I am informed by my colleagues and the Registrars of this Court about his simplicity, clarity of thought and action, fine judicial temperament and uprightness.

Justice S.C Jain had delivered numerous judgments covering all spheres of law. While serving as a Judge of High Court of Delhi as well as the High Court of Allahabad, he had extensively dealt with all branches of law. He had particularly specialized in matters relating to State Contracts, Commercial

Contracts and Insurance. His judgments reflect his deep knowledge of law, compassion and commitment towards the cause of justice.

Even after his retirement he was actively participating in various ventures relating to law. He had authored an exhaustive commentary titled 'Laws Relating to Marriage and Divorce' published by the prestigious Universal Law Publishing House. As a panel arbitrator, he also dealt with several arbitration proceedings.

In October, 2004, a three Judge Committee was set up by the Government, headed by Justice S.C. Jain to review the cases under the disbanded anti-terrorist law POTA that were pending before designated courts across the country.

Justice S.C. Jain was loved and respected by the lawyers and the Judges alike and I am sure that the legal fraternity will continue to remember him with same love and affection and his distinguished services to the cause of justice will be cherished forever.

Justice S.C Jain has had a fulfilled and eventful life and left for the heavenly abode leaving behind his wife, three sons and three daughters, who are all comfortably settled in the life. One of his sons, Mr.Pradeep Jain is an advocate and practicing in the Delhi High Court.

On the demise of Justice S. C Jain we have lost an admirable person, who dedicated his entire life to the noble cause of upholding rule of law. His death, undoubtedly, is a grievous loss to us all and in particular to his family.

I, on behalf of my Brother and Sister Judges and on my behalf extend heartfelt condolences to the members of the bereaved family and pray to the Almighty to give them strength to bear the irretrievable loss. May the Almighty bestow peace upon the departed soul.

**(AFTER REFERENCE BY LAWYERS IS OVER)**

I request you all to pay homage in the memory of Justice S.C. Jain by standing in silence for two minutes.

(The Hon'ble Judges will take their respective seats for a moment after the silence, and it will be announced by Hon'ble the Chief Justice as under).

"As a mark of respect to the departed soul, the Court is adjourned for the rest of the day".