

HIGH COURT OF DELHI : NEW DELHI

No. 414 /Genl./DHC
26th April, 2019

NOTICE

RE: DESIGNATION OF SENIOR ADVOCATE

It is notified that in exercise of powers conferred by Section 7 of the Delhi High Court Act, 1966 (Act 26 of 1966), Section 16(2) of the Advocates Act, 1961 and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, this Court has made amendments in Chapter 6-L, Volume V of High Court Rules & Orders relating to designation of an Advocate as Senior Advocate. Accordingly vide Gazette Notification No. 295/Rules/DHC dated 13th March, 2019 this Court has notified the Rules framed under Section 16(2) of the Advocates Act, 1961 and referred hereinafter as 'the High Court of Delhi Designation of Senior Advocate Rules, 2018'.

Section (3) of the aforementioned Rules provides that matters relating to designation of Senior Advocates by this Court shall be dealt with by a Committee – "Committee for Designation of Senior Advocates" comprising of the following members:-

- (i) *Hon'ble the Chief Justice – Chairperson of the Committee*
- (ii) *Two Senior most Judges of the High Court.*
- (iii) *Additional Solicitor General of India for the High Court.*
- (iv) *To be nominated by the Administrative Committee of the High Court out of the names of three Senior Advocates given by the Government of NCT of Delhi.*
- (v) *Member of the Bar nominated by the above*

The eligibility conditions for conferment of Senior Advocate as per Rule (5) of the High Court of Delhi Designation of Senior Advocate Rules, 2018 are as under:-

No person shall be eligible for being designated a Senior Advocate unless he/she –

- (v) *has practiced as an Advocate at the Bar for not less than 10 years;*
- (vi) *is enrolled with a Bar Council constituted under the Advocates Act, 1961;*
- (vii) *has been mainly practising in the High Court of Delhi and the Courts Subordinate to it; and*
- (viii) *has appeared and argued cases or provided legal services pro-bono.*

Explanation: *The eligibility condition with regard to minimum standing as a practising Advocate shall not apply to retired Judicial Officers of Delhi or those who have resigned having service and/or practice of 10 years at their credit and retired High Court Judges.*

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The procedure of conferment of designation as Senior Advocate has been provided in the aforementioned Rules.

Therefore, applications seeking conferment of designation as Senior Advocate are accordingly invited from eligible practicing advocates as provided in Rule (5) of the High Court of Delhi Designation of Senior Advocate Rules, 2018, in the prescribed proforma annexed to the aforesaid Rules with a latest photograph of the applicant. It is clarified that Advocates who have applied earlier and whose applications are pending consideration in the Registry of this Court should apply afresh.

Application in the prescribed format i.e. **Annexure 'A'** to the *High Court of Delhi Designation of Senior Advocate Rules, 2018* with latest photograph may be submitted in the Secretariat of the Committee for designation of Senior Advocates latest by 4.30 p.m. on 25th May, 2019.



[RAMESH CHAND]

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ANNEXURE – 'A'

PROFORMA OF BIO-DATA, CONSENT AND UNDERTAKING

SL NO.	PARTICULARS	
1.	Name:	
2.	Father's/Husband's Name:	
3.	Address with Contact Number and E-Mail address:	
4.	Date of birth:	
5.	Qualification:	
6.	No. and date of enrolment as an Advocate and where enrolled:	
7.	Date from which continuously practising and place where practising :	
8.	If a former member of the State Judicial Service, length of such service and the experience at the Bar:	
9.	Fields of specialty in branches of law:	
10.	Particulars of important matters involving questions of law in which appeared in the last five years, and particulars of citations of reported cases during this period	
11.	Particulars of cases in which appeared as arguing Counsel on behalf of other Advocates (not being from own chamber / office) during the preceding three years and the names and particulars of the Advocates on whose behalf appeared	
12.	Particulars of articles, if any published in any journal or publication or books if any authored	

13.	Whether associated with any Faculty of Law of any University / College, if yes provide particulars	
14.	Particulars of cases in which appeared pro-bono and / or free legal aid given (where available, enclose orders)	
15.	Whether involved in any disciplinary proceedings before Bar Council of India, Bar Council of Delhi or Bar Council of any other state. If so the particulars / result / stage of the proceedings	
16.	Whether personally involved in any contempt proceedings	
17.	Whether any remark has ever been passed against him / her in any order / judgment by any Court of Law	
18.	Any other information which the learned Advocate may like to furnish.	
19.	Whether considered for designation as Senior Advocate by the Delhi High Court or any other High Court or Supreme Court at any time and also within one year prior to the date of proposal/consent (Also state if proposal pending with any Court):	

Note : Separate sheet can be used for providing answers to the aforesaid questions, if the space in this proforma is considered insufficient.

CONSENT

I _____, Advocate, do hereby consent to be designated as a Senior Advocate in terms of Section 16(2) of the Advocates Act, 1961 and agree and undertake to abide by all laws, rules, regulations, norms and guidelines as are in force for the time being, or which may be prescribed hereafter for this purpose.

UNDERTAKING

I undertake that upon designation as Senior Advocate, I shall appear and argue pro-bono cases as assigned to me by any Authority under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.

PLACE:

DATE:

SIGNATURE