

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
(Committee for Designation of Senior Advocates (CDSA))

NOTICE

F. No.16/CDSA/2023/01

New Delhi, 17 July 2023

RE: DESIGNATION OF SENIOR ADVOCATES

Advocates-on-Record / Advocates who had applied in response to Notice/s dated 25 February 2022 and 7 May, 2022, for conferment of designation as Senior Advocate are hereby given option either (i) to update their previous applications pending consideration of the Permanent Committee by furnishing additional information/data in the prescribed format **(Annexure-A1)** OR (ii) to substitute their applications by submitting fresh applications in the prescribed format **(Annexure-A)**, as placed below, OR (iii) to withdraw their applications by Monday, 07 August 2023 without, in any manner, affecting their entitlement to apply for designation to any High Court or to the Supreme Court, as and when application would be invited in future.

Additional information/data or fresh applications, referred to above, may be submitted in the Secretariat of the Committee **[Room No.307, 3rd Floor, B-Block, Additional Building Complex, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi-110001 (Ph: 011-23115879)] latest by 4.30 p.m. on or before Monday, 07 August, 2023.**

A soft copy of Annexures, as applicable, in searchable mode, should be submitted through email (cdsa.2018@sci.nic.in).

Sd/-
[Anil Kumar Sharma]
Secretary

**APPLICATION FOR PROVIDING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/DATA
FOR DESIGNATION AS SENIOR ADVOCATE
[FOR ADVOCATES-ON-RECORD / ADVOCATES]**

1.	Name of the Applicant-Advocate: (Dr./Mr./Mrs./Ms.)														
2.	Date of Birth Age (as on 01-08-2023)	<table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:20px; height: 20px;">D</td> <td style="width:20px; height: 20px;">D</td> <td style="width:20px; height: 20px;">M</td> <td style="width:20px; height: 20px;">M</td> <td style="width:20px; height: 20px;">Y</td> <td style="width:20px; height: 20px;">Y</td> <td style="width:20px; height: 20px;">Y</td> <td style="width:20px; height: 20px;">Y</td> </tr> </table>	D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y	 _____ Years				
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7.	Pro bono / amicus curiae work during last five years.			
8.	Five synopses for evaluation (Copies of synopses to be attached)			
9.	Whether the applicant is a first generation lawyer.			
10.	Articles/books published, experience of teaching assignments in the field of law, guest lectures delivered in law schools or professional institutions connected with law.	Academic Articles / Books	Teaching Assignment(s)	Guest lectures delivered in law schools or professional institutions connected with law.
11.	Courts where the applicant is practising: (Court-wise period may be indicated)	Supreme Court of India/High Court(s)/District/ Lower Court(s)/ Tribunal(s) etc.	From	To
12.	Tribunal(s) where the applicant has specialized practice (Applicable to those practicing before Tribunals)	Tribunal(s)	Duration	
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13.	Nature of practice - e.g. Civil, Criminal, Constitutional, Taxation, Labour, Company, Service, etc.			

14.	Field of Law-domain expertise (such as, Constitutional law, Inter-State Water Disputes, Criminal law, Arbitration law, Corporate law, Family law, Human Rights, Public Interest Litigation, International law, law relating to women) in which the applicant has specialization / expertise	
15.	Whether the applicant has applied to any High Court after submission of his application pending in the Supreme Court as per Notices dated 25.02.2022 and 07.05.2022. If so, current status of application.	
16.	Whether any FIR has ever been filed against the applicant; if so, current status must be indicated.	
17.	Whether the applicant is a party to any civil, criminal or other litigation. If so, the nature of involvement.	
	(i) Has the applicant at any point of time been:	
	(a) arrested?	
	(b) prosecuted?	
	(c) kept under detention?	
	(d) bound down?	
	(e) fined by a court of law?	
	(f) convicted by a court of law for any offence?	

	(g)	debarred from any examination or rusticated by any authority/ institution/ council?	
	(h)	debarred / disqualified by any public commission/ authority?	
	(ii)	Is any case pending against the applicant in any court of law at the time of submitting this application?	
	(iii)	If the answer to any of the above-mentioned questions is 'Yes', give full particulars of the case / arrest / detention / fine / conviction / sentence / punishment etc. and / or the nature of the case pending in the Court / Authority or Institution etc. at the time of submitting this application.	
18.	Whether any proceedings were initiated or are pending against the applicant before Bar Council of India or State Bar Council? If so, particulars thereof.		
19.	General state of health		
20.	Any other relevant information		

DECLARATION

I _____ Advocate-on-Record / Advocate hereby give consent for being designated as Senior Advocate.

I hereby verify that the information furnished above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Nothing material is concealed or suppressed therefrom. I understand that furnishing of false information or suppression of any factual information would render me unfit for being designated as Senior Advocate.

Date:-

[Signature of the Applicant]

Note: Applicants should read instructions attached herewith while filling up Annexure-A1

PRESCRIBED FORMATS

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(List of Reported Judgments (excluding orders not laying down any principle of law in the last five years)

S. No.	Court(s)	Citation / Case Number	Cause Title and Subject Matter	Decided on	Legal formulation advanced by the applicant.

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Details of five Synopses

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Details of academic articles/books published, experience of teaching assignments in the field of law, guest lectures delivered in law schools or professional institutions connected with law.

S. No.	Topic of published academic articles/ Books/ Lecture/ Courses	Experience details of teaching assignment and guest lectures delivered in law schools or professional institutions connected with law	Names of law schools or professional institutions connected with law.	Any other relevant details

ANNEXURE-A

APPLICATION-CUM-CONSENT LETTER
FOR DESIGNATION AS SENIOR ADVOCATE
[FOR ADVOCATES-ON-RECORD / ADVOCATES]

Recent Passport
size colour
photograph
(original) to be
pasted here

1.	Name of the Applicant-Advocate: (Dr./Mr./Mrs./Ms.)		
2.	Date of Birth	D D M M Y Y Y Y	
3.	Age (as on 01-08-2023)	___ Years	
4.	Address in full:	(i) Office -	
		(ii) Residence -	
5.	Contact Details:	(i) Landline -	
		(ii) Cellphone -	
		(iii) Email -	
6.	Educational / Professional Qualifications:		
7.	(i) Date, Month and Year of Enrolment as an Advocate	D D M M Y Y Y Y	
	(ii) Enrolment Number (Copy of Enrolment Certificate to be attached)		
	(iii) Number of years of practice from the date of enrolment	___ Years	

8.	(i) Bar Council, where registered; (ii) Whether registered as an Advocate-on-Record. If so, date, month and year of registration; and (iii) AOR Code Number			D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y	<table border="1" data-bbox="980 421 1295 474"> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>					
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20.	Whether the applicant had applied earlier to the Supreme Court for designation; if so, current status of application.	
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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO BE FOLLOWED FOR FILLING UP ANNEXURE-A / ANNEXURE-A1 TO THE GUIDELINES FOR DESIGNATION OF SENIOR ADVOCATES BY THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA, 2023

1.	Every Application-cum-Consent Letter or the Application for providing additional information in the prescribed formats marked as Annexure-A and Annexure-A1 shall be made in English, typed/printed with font size (Arial-14) in double spacing on both sides of the white paper (A4 Size) with an inner margin of about four centimeters width on top and on the left side.
2.	Documents accompanying the Application should be numbered consecutively in the Index, in all sets of Application.
3.	All documents annexed to the Application should be accompanied by an Index containing the details thereof. (The Registry, at any stage, may ask for the supportive documents for verification in the light of the facts mentioned in the Application).
4.	Name of the applicant should tally with his/her name as mentioned in his/her enrolment certificate. Abbreviated name shall NOT be accepted.
5.	The Application should be presented in the shape of a Paper Book, duly tagged & indexed and not in spiral binding and the like.
6.	(i) All photocopies of the accolades/testimonials should be legible and true copies of their respective originals. (ii) English translation of vernacular documents (if any) should be annexed thereto.

7.	10 sets of the Application/s in the form of Paper Book, identical in all respects, should be filed.
8	Passport size colour photograph (original) should be pasted on each copy of the Application/s. One additional recent passport size colour photograph (mentioning the name of the applicant on its back side) should be provided in a separate envelope.
9.	The soft copy of the Application/s along with Annexure-A/ Annexure-A1, in searchable mode, along with the scanned photograph (in case of Application-cum-Consent Letter (Annexure-A) should be submitted through e-mail (cdsa.2018@sci.nic.in), in addition to the hard copy thereof.
10.	Information relating to reported judgments, unreported judgments, pro bono/amicus curiae, five synopses, articles/books/teaching assignments/guest lectures, may be provided in the prescribed formats, which are parts of Annexure-A /Annexure-A1.