

M. SHAHID USMAN

ADVOCATE HIGH COURTS
MA LLB DBL LLM (Leeds UK)



1. **Date of Birth:** 23 October 1967
2. **Nationality:** Pakistani
3. **Education:**

Institution	Degree(s) or Diploma(s) obtained:
University of Leeds, UK	LLM Int'l Business Law, 2005
University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan	LLB, 2003
University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan	PGD in Banking Law, 2007
University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan	MA Urdu Literature, 1989

4. **Membership of Professional Organizations:**

- ▶ Punjab Bar Council (enrolment as an Advocate) since May 2006
- ▶ Lahore Tax Bar Association
- ▶ Lahore Bar Association
- ▶ Lahore High Court Bar Association since April 2007

Professional Positions Held:

- ▶ Secretary, Fiscal Laws Committee, Lahore High Court Bar Association 2013-14
- ▶ Member, Executive Committee, Lahore Tax Bar Association 2013-14
- ▶ Gen Secretary, Free Legal Aid Society for Helpless (FLASH), Lahore 2010-17

5. **Distinguished performance**

- ▶ 1st Position: Punjab University Speech Contest 1988
- ▶ 1st Position: All Pakistan Punjabi Poetry Contest 1988
- ▶ Distinction in WTO Law, University of Leeds (LLM) 2005
- ▶ 2nd Position in PGD in Banking Laws, Punjab University 2007

Cases

Total High Court cases 412

Practice

- Legal Advisor, Federal Board of Revenue (152 High Court cases)
- High Courts, Appellate Tribunal Inland Revenue, Customs Court & Tribunal, Banking Courts, National Industrial Relations Commission, Board of Investment and State Bank of Pakistan

Advisory

- Legal Advisor, Federal Board of Revenue, Pakistan
- Legal, Corporate & Tax Advisor to M/s Ernst & Young Ford Rhodes, Lahore, September 2008 to April 2012
- Corporate Laws, Income Tax, Sales tax, Customs and advisory, planning, due diligence, compliance, appeals & references for local and international clients

Consultancy:

- Team Leader for the World Bank project: “Legal and Policy Review of the Punjab Sales Tax on Services 2014-15”
- Team Member for the World Bank project: “Consulting Services for Operational development of the Tax Committee (Taxpayers Registration, Enforced Collection, Payment and Declaration, Tax Audit and Business Processes Integration into ITMIS)”

Other Roles

- Section Officer, Government of the Punjab - Nov 1992 to Jul 1997
- Assistant Vice President, MCB Bank Ltd - Jan 2007 to Oct 2008
- Sr Manager/Director (Tax), Ernst & Young (EY) - Oct 2008 to Sep 2012
- Director Research, Foundation of Law And Governance – FLAG, Lahore
- General Secretary, Free Legal Aid Society for the Helpless – FLASH, Lahore
- Ex-Secretary, Fiscal Law Committee, Lahore High Court Bar Association
- Ex-Member, Executive Committee, Lahore Tax Bar Association
- TV Anchor at ATV for weekly program “Forum” with Shahid Usman

Papers on Law

- Creditors’ Protection: Effective measures to ensure repayments.
- Syndicated loans and bonds: Importance of choice of law clause.
- Is liquidation the only solution to the insolvent companies?
- Significance of the ruling of the WTO appellate body in the case concerning U. S. Anti-Dumping Measures on certain Steel Products from Japan (WT/DS184/AB/R) with particular reference to the 1994 Anti-Dumping Agreement.
- Significance of freedom of movement of goods in evolving a common internal market of the European Community.
- Governing the Internet: Role of national and international public and private bodies.
- Regulating the criminal behaviour on the Internet.
- Critical Evaluation of Cyber-law of Pakistan vis-à-vis that of the UK and Council of Europe.

Trainings Imparted

Trainer Corporate Compliance Faletti’s Hotel 2014

	Host	Provincial Sales Tax on Services	Lahore High Court Bar Association	2013
	Host	Sales Tax Act 1990	Lahore High Court Bar Association	2013
	Trainer	Withholding Tax on Bank Withdrawals	Habib Bank Ltd	2012
	Trainer	Tax on Salary	MCB Bank Ltd	2010
	Trainer	Training of Managers on Employment Laws	Habib Bank Ltd	2009
	Host	Society and Literature	Writers Conference	2006

- Memberships**
- Lahore High Court Bar Association, Lahore
 - Lahore Tax Bar Association, Lahore
 - Lahore District Bar Association, Lahore
 - Free Legal Aid Society of Helpless, Lahore
 - Punjab Urban Resource Centre, Lahore
 - Halqa Arbab-i-Zauq, Lahore

- Achievements**
- 1st Position: All Pakistan Punjabi Musha'era (poetry contest) 1988
 - 1st Position: Punjab University Speech Contest 1988
 - Distinction in WTO Law, University of Leeds (LLM) 2005
 - 2nd Position in Diploma in Banking Laws, Punjab University 2007

- Foreign Trips**
- Tajikistan: November & December 2015
 - Turkey: November 2015
 - UK: September 2004 to September 2005
 - Ireland: August 2005
 - Netherlands, France & Belgium: November 2004
 - Iran: June 2000
 - Saudi Arabia: September 2005