

Justice Shri M.M. Kumar

Shri Justice M.M. Kumar (Retd.) has an illustrious academic and professional record. He qualified his LL.B from Punjabi University, Patiala in 1977 and was enrolled as an Advocate in the same year. He done his for LL.M., from the University of Birmingham.



He is former chairman of National Company Law Tribunal, since the body came into force. He served as first president of National Company Law Tribunal on the abolition of Company Law Board on 1 June 2016 till 1 June 2018.

He served as 31st Chief Justice of Jammu and Kashmir High Court.

He was born on 5 January 1953. He took office as Chief Justice on 8 June 2012 and retired on 4 January 2015. Previously, he worked as judge at Punjab and Haryana High Court.

He authored a book titled “Control of Exclusion Clauses in England and India” published by Ravenswood London (1985).

Shri M.M. Kumar was elevated as a Judge of the Punjab and Haryana High Court at Chandigarh on 02.07.2001. Worked as Executive Chairman, Legal Services Authority and Chairman, Mediation Committee and held Mega Lok Adalats. During his tenure as a Judge of Punjab & Haryana High Court, he delivered a large a number of landmark judgements in every branch of law including Constitutional Law, Company Law, Service Law, Civil Law, Election Law, Land Acquisition, Tax, PIL. He has made significant contribution to build the Chandigarh Judicial Academy and the Rajiv Gandhi National Law University Patiala. He is a visiting Professor of RGNLU, Patiala.

Justice Kumar then took over charge as Chairman, Company Law Board on 5th June 2015 and continued as such till 31st May 2016. He was then appointed as the First President of National Company Law Tribunal on the abolition of Company Law Board on 1st June 2016. During his tenure, 28 benches of the NCLT started functioning from 14 states. He demitted office on 5th January, 2020. Thereafter he resumed his arbitration and consultancy practice in New Delhi.

He joined the NHRC as Member on June 2, 2021.