

## MR. JUSTICE MUHAMMAD ILYAS

Born on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 1931 in District Gujrat (Punjab). Graduated from Zamindar College, Gujrat in 1948 at the age of 17 years. Passed LL.B. in 1951 from Punjab University and stood first, set up a new record of Marks and won the University Gold Medal.

Started practice as pleader in 1952 at the age of 20 years and 6 months at Gujrat. Passed competitive examination (Judicial Service) and became a Civil Judge in July, 1952 at the age of 20 years and 9 months. His name has been recorded in the Guinness Book of Records, 1991 as the youngest Civil Judge of the world who was appointed as such on passing the prescribed examination at page 215 of this renowned compilation under the Caption “Youngest Judge”.

Before his elevation as Judge of Lahore High Court, Mr. Justice Muhammad Ilyas held several Judicial posts including those of District and Sessions Judge and Special Judge (Anti-Corruption). He was also deputed to the USA for training in legislative drafting etc. He served in provincial Law Department as Deputy Secretary and then as Joint Secretary (Draftsman). His services were requisitioned by Federal Government in 1972 for assisting the National Assembly of Pakistan in framing of new Constitution for the country as Joint Secretary. Subsequently promoted as Additional Secretary. He was Chairman, Federal Service Tribunal when he was appointed as Judge Lahore High Court in June, 1978. His Articles and Poems generally appear in newspapers etc.

He was appointed as Judge Federal Shariat Court on 17.11.1992 and continued till 14.6.1994 when he was appointed as Judge Supreme Court of Pakistan and thereafter was appointed as Chief Justice of the Lahore High Court.

