### SYED ALI MURTAZA

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# Education

Master of Laws (2002) - Paul.M. Hebert Law Center, LSU, Baton Rouge, USA

Awards & Distinctions:

Chancellor's List (2002)

Bachelor of Laws (1992) - Punjab University, Lahore

Bachelor of Arts (1990) - Government College, Lahore

### Relevant official work experience

Secretary Prosecution Department, Government of Punjab (February 2015 till date)

The Prosecution Department is responsible for the delivery and oversight of prosecution services in the Punjab province of Pakistan (which is its largest province), inspection of prosecution services and professional development of prosecutors. Prosecution services are delivered through the Criminal Prosecution Service, which undertakes both court based work and review of police cases. Oversight work is performed through the Directorate General of Monitoring and Evaluation, which regularly inspects regional prosecution offices for compliance with guidelines and standards. Professional development of Prosecutors is undertaken through the Center for Professional Development.

#### Director General, Strategic Coordination Board, Punjab (2014- till date)

The Board is tasked with the development of the provincial internal security policy and upgrading, organizing and monitoring institutional and societal responses to internal security threats including terrorism and terrorist financing.

## Solicitor to the Government of Punjab /Additional Prosecutor General (2009- 2010)

The Solicitor is the chief officer responsible for management of the Solicitor's Department. The Department provides legal services to the Government through district based Attorneys. The Solicitor also instructs the Advocate General on behalf of the Government. The Additional Prosecutor General performs criminal work at the superior court level and also performs management work with regard to prosecution services.

#### Deputy Secretary, Home Department, Government of Punjab (2000- January 2004)

This position is responsible for oversight of policing services (including police prosecutors) in the province of Punjab

Sub Divisional Magistrate, Karachi South, West and Malir (April 1995- October, 2000)

This is a magistrate's position.

# Policy/International Development Experience

**Team Leader,** Public Safety and Prosecution Reforms in Punjab, Asian Development Bank (November 2005- January 2009)

Management and implementation of TA program: TA objects included improving quality of investigation in districts, increasing effectivity of public oversight arrangements, strengthening linkages between local government institutions and police, promoting resolution of disputes through referral to community based conciliation mechanisms, conduct of social audit of police services, improvement in prosecutorial services.

## Program Officer, Access to Justice Program, Asian Development Bank (January 2004- June 2008)

Management and implementation of the Punjab Component of the Access to Justice Program - a USD 350 million dollar rule of law program; Program objectives included improving justice services through increased transparency, capacity building of justice sector/RoL institutions and legal reforms.

## **Publications**

Manual of Guidance for Prosecutors, Asian Development Bank