



THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE D.V.S.S. SOMAYAJULU

He was born on 26.09.1961 in a family of lawyers. His father, late Sri D.V.Subba Rao, was the third generation of a family of distinguished lawyers and a leading Advocate of repute at Visakhapatnam in the State of Andhra Pradesh, holding positions as Chairman, Bar Council of India, Mayor of Visakhapatnam, President, Andhra Cricket Association.

He had his early education at Visakhapatnam. He did his B.Com., at Dr.Lankapalli Bullaiah College, Visakhapatnam, and B.L., from Andhra University, Visakhapatnam.

He was enrolled as an Advocate on the Roll of Bar Council of Andhra Pradesh and practiced law at Visakhapatnam. He had extensively practised before various mofussil courts and dealt with all kinds of cases with specialization in civil, commercial and arbitration matters. He had appeared before erudite legal luminaries of national and international eminence all over India and abroad also.

He was counsel for numerous Public Sector Undertakings, viz., Visakhapatnam Steel Plant, Visakhapatnam Port Trust, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited, Bharat Heavy Plates and Vessels, Container Corporation of India, Indian Oil Corporation, Dredging Corporation of India, etc.

He rendered service as the Legal Advisor to Navayuga Engineering, LG Polymers, Vizag Sea Port, Andhra Petro Chemicals, LG Polymers, Varun Group of Industries, ITD CEM (formerly SVENSKA). He served HSBC, Canara Bank, Bank of Baroda, UCO Bank, Indian Overseas Bank as their standing counsel.

He had been President and Member of the Andhra Cricket Association, Member of the Legal Committee of the Board of Cricket Control (BCCI), President of Bar Association, Visakhapatnam, Waltair Club, Visakhapatnam, and General Trustee to the Visakha Music and Dance Academy, Mrs.AVN College, & Public Library, Visakhapatnam.

He was nominated as 'Swatchh Bharat Ambassador' for Visakhapatnam.

He was appointed as Judge of the High Court of Judicature at Hyderabad for the State of Telangana and the State of Andhra Pradesh and sworn-in on 21.09.2017.

He is the first Advocate from a mofussil Bar in Andhra Pradesh who is directly elevated as Judge of a High Court.