



### **THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE BATTU DEVANAND**

Born on 14-04-1966 at Gudivada Town, Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh to Sri Battu Venkataratnam and Smt. Manoranjitham, who were Govt. Teachers. Had his Primary School education at Panchayat Elementary School, Jami Dintakuru village, Pedaparipudi Mandal and High School education at Municipal Schools, Gudivada. Passed Intermediate and B.A., from A.N.R. College, Gudivada. Students Union President of A.N.R. College, Gudivada during 1984-85. Obtained B.L. Degree from College of Law, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam. Students Union President of Andhra University Law College during 1988-89. After enrolment as an Advocate on the rolls of Bar Council of the State of Andhra Pradesh on 06-07-1989, initially, started practice at District Courts, Visakhapatnam and joined in the office of Sri M.K. Sitaramayya, Senior Advocate, Visakhapatnam and later, shifted his practice to High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad. Served as Asst. Government Pleader in the High Court from 1996 to 2000. Counsel for various Central Government undertakings

i.e., BSNL, New India Assurance Co., Oriental Insurance Co., United India Insurance Co., S.B.H., and N.T.P.C. and handled hundreds of cases as their Counsel. Handled number of cases on behalf of Poor & Vulnerable persons while doing private practice. Elected as Member of the Bar Council of the State of Andhra Pradesh in 2006. Member of the Disciplinary Committee of the Bar Council and Member of the A.P. Advocates Welfare Fund Committee during 2006-2012. Served as Government Pleader in the High Court since 14-07-2014 to 05-07-2019. Handled cases of Transport Dept., R & B Dept., Higher & Technical Education Dept., Excise Dept., Medical, Health & Family Welfare Dept., Energy, Science & Technology Dept., Forest, Fisheries, Tourism, Sports & Youth Services Departments as Government Pleader. Married to Ms Karra Padma Kumari and blessed with two daughters i.e., Ms Mouni Battu and Ms Keerthi Battu. Elevated to the Bench as Judge of the High Court of Andhra Pradesh and assumed charge on 13.01.2020.