

## THE HON'BLE SMT. JUSTICE KONGARA VIJAYA LAKSHMI

Born on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 1960 to Late Sri Gullapalli Venkateshwara Rao and Late Smt. Gullapalli Sita Rathnam.

She did her B.L. from Sir C. Ramalinga Reddy Law College, Eluru and LL.M. from Osmania University. Stood first in first year B.L. examinations conducted by the Andhra University and secured Jillella Tirumala Venkata Lakshmi Bhayamma Garu Memorial Medal from Andhra University. Secured Law College Decennial Celebration Prize from Andhra University. Certificates of Merit from Sir C. Rama Linga Reddy Law College for securing highest marks in Indian Penal Code, Civil Procedure Code, Constitutional Law, Hindu Law and Transfer of Property Act. Was awarded Pullabhatla Paraiah Sastry Memorial Prize for securing highest marks in Transfer of Property Act.

Enrolled at the then Bar Council of Andhra Pradesh on 12<sup>th</sup> July 1985. Joined the office of Sri Justice S. Parvatha Rao Garu, as he then was, from the date of enrollment, till he was elevated as a Judge of High Court of Andhra Pradesh, i.e., from 1985 to 1990.

Worked as Assistant Government Pleader from 1991 to 1995 and as Government Pleader from January 1996 to May 2004. Worked as Government Pleader, attached to the office of the then Additional Advocate General, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Sri Justice Jasti Chelameswar Garu, Judge, Supreme Court of India, till he was elevated as a Judge of High Court of Andhra Pradesh from 1996 to 1997. Worked as Government Pleader attached to the office of the then Advocate General Late Sri Venkataramanaiah Garu, Senior Counsel from June 1997 to March 1998. Worked as Government Pleader attached to the office of the then Additional Advocate General Sri D. Prakash Reddy Garu, Senior Counsel from March 1998 to May 2004. Appeared for the Government of Andhra Pradesh, Roads and Building Department in Arbitration Matters. Also worked as part-time lecturer in Mufakamja College of Law, Hyderabad during the period from 1995 to 1996.

Married to Sri Kongara Partha Sarathi and blessed with two sons. The elder son Ratan Kongara is married to Pinnamaneni Umasri, the younger son is Tejo Ratna Kongara.

Assumed charge as Permanent Judge of the High Court of Judicature at Hyderabad for the State of Telangana and the State of Andhra Pradesh on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2017.