

The Honorary Graduate: Khaled Hamid Chowdhury

The Orator: Professor Ray Priest

Khaled Hamid Chowdhury is to be awarded the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws

Khaled Hamid Chowdhury is the Head of Laws of London College of Legal Studies (South), a leading Institute promoting English legal qualifications in Bangladesh, established in August 2004. Prior to that, he was the Head of Laws of Newcastle Law Academy, Dhaka, from 2000 till 2004. His contribution to this field dates back to 1996.

LCLS (South) has been the only Affiliate Centre of University of London from 2014-2018 in Bangladesh. It is also the only partner centre of BPP in Bangladesh for its Laws programmes.

Among other awards, students of LCLS(South) have also been proud recipients of the Lord Templeman Scholarship for 7 years at a stretch and a significant number of students have taken transfer to UWE, Bristol, for career progression over the years.

Khaled excels in academia, being an Adjunct Professor at Eastern University and at East West University, Dhaka. He has been an Adjunct Faculty of a number of Universities including IBA, Dhaka University and University of Liberal Arts. He is an external examiner of Law at the Dhaka University where he currently conducts the ADR Module in the Law Clinic.

He has also been an Adjunct Faculty, MBA at the Royal Roads University Canada and at the Victoria University Melbourne, Dhaka Centers.

After finishing High School, Khaled graduated with LLB (Hons) from Dhaka University, then went on to do MA in Legal Studies at the University of Newcastle, UK. He was then called to the Bar of England and Wales from Lincoln's Inn in 1995. Khaled then secured an LLM with Merit in International Business Law from King's College London. He has secured a PG Certificate in Arbitration with Distinction at the Robert Gordon University, Scotland. Khaled is also an Advocate of the Appellate Division, Supreme Court of Bangladesh with 24 years standing. Khaled was an Associate at Dr. M Zahir and Associates from 1996 till 2002. He then partnered in a few leading legal sets in Dhaka. Khaled acted as a Senior Counsel of the Temple Court Chambers London's Dhaka Annexe for 8 years. He is now the Senior Partner of Chowdhury and Ullah involved in diverse areas of practice since 2013. Additionally, he is the Senior Counsel for the Ministry of Road Transport and Bridges, Government of Bangladesh.

He is also a specialist in International Sports Law dealing with matters in the Anti-Corruption Tribunal adjudicating the affairs of allegation of corruption in cricket.

Khaled is an Accredited Mediator of CEDR & ADR-ODR Int'l, an FCIarb, and an empaneled Mediator at Bangladesh International Arbitration Centre (BIAC). He sits in different panels as an Arbitrator and acts as a Mediator extensively in diverse matters. Khaled is also an Adjudicator and a Fellow of AIAC, Malaysia. Recently, he has joined as a Global Faculty at the ADR-ODR International.

He has arbitrated and mediated in different moot competitions in Paris, Kuala Lumpur and Dhaka.

Apart from that, he is also the acting Vice-President of Barristers' Association Bangladesh, been involved with Centre European de Coopération Juridique (CECJ), maintaining professional networks with academicians and lawyers across the globe.

The Honorary Degree is awarded in recognition of Khaled's contribution to Bangladesh legal education and UWE international development.