

# Hassan Ali

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## EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

**Master of Laws (LL.M.) in International Commercial Arbitration** 2019-2020  
*Stockholm University, Stockholm, Sweden*

**Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws (B.A.-LL.B.)** 2009-2014  
*Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Lahore, Pakistan*  
*Awarded National Outreach Programme (NOP) Scholarship*

## WORK EXPERIENCE

- **Counsel**, Asma Hamid Associates - (<https://asmahamid.law/>) August 2022 – Present
- **Partner**, Axis Law Chambers – (<https://www.axislaw.pk/>) August 2022 – July 2023
- **Senior Associate**, Axis Law Chambers July 2021 – July 2022
- **Associate**, Axis Law Chambers August 2017 – July 2019
- **Associate**, Axis Law Chambers June 2014 – July 2017
  
- **Lecturer**, School of Law, Ivy College of Management Sciences, Lahore, Pakistan November 2021 – January 2023  
**Courses:** International Commercial Arbitration Law, Employment Law in Global Context, International Commercial Litigation, International Corporate Governance.
  
- **National Reporter for the physical hearing project, ICCA** October 2020 – May 2021  
Acted as National Reporter for Pakistan for the International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) in the project ‘Does a Right to Physical Hearing Exist in International Arbitration?’ This project is led by eminent scholars in international arbitration (James Hosking, Yasmine Lahlou, and Professor Giacomo Rojas Elgueta) and involves lawyers from seventy-seven jurisdictions worldwide.
  
- **Research Assistant for Project “Waseeb”** June 2012 – May 2014  
**Supervised by:** Asad Farooq (Former Associate Professor (Public International Law), Shaikh Ahmed Hassan School of Law, LUMS) & Dr. Ali Nobil (Assistant Professor (History), Mushtaq Ahmad Gurmani School of Humanities and Social Sciences).  
**Brief Overview:** This project highlighted the issue of violations of water rights in Southern Punjab, and it also unearthed the reason behind the regular flooding in Southern Punjab. It highlighted the fact that the annual floods in Southern Punjab are engineered rather than natural disasters.
  
- **Teaching Assistant**, Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore, Pakistan (LUMS) August 2012 - December 2014  
**Courses:** Legal Practice – 1 by Khawaja Ahmed Hossein, the then Additional Attorney General of Pakistan [Fall Semester 2014] | Labour Law by Angbeen Mira, Advocate High Court [Spring Semester 2014] | Introduction to Pakistan Legal System by Bilal Hasan Minto, Advocate Supreme Court of Pakistan [Fall Semester 2012, and Fall Semester 2013]

## REPORTED JUDGEMENTS:

1. **Nishat Hotel and Properties Limited etc. vs. The Province of Punjab etc.** (reported as 2019 PLD 729) wherein the constitutional challenge to the composition and establishment of Punjab Revenue Authority, by seeking a declaration through Punjab Revenue Authority (Amendment) Act 2016 & Punjab Revenue Authority (Second Amendment) Act 2016, was dismissed.

2. **D. G. Khan Cement Company Limited & Others Vs. Federation of Pakistan & another** (reported as 2020 LHC 1066) wherein the constitutional challenge to Section 4B (imposition of super tax) of the Income Tax Ordinance 2001 was dismissed.
3. **Jan Muhammad vs. Federation of Pakistan & others** (W.P. No. 36748/2022) wherein Section 23C (4) of the Foreign Exchange Regulation Act 1947, and Rule 8 of the Adjudication Proceedings and Appeal Rules 1998, were declared unconstitutional.
4. **Services Global Footwear Limited vs. Federation of Pakistan & Others** (W.P. No. 58683/2021) wherein the imposition of Super Tax at 10% (i.e First Proviso to Division IIB of Part 1 of the First Schedule of Income Tax Ordinance 2001) was held to be discriminatory.
5. **Asghari Begum (Private) Limited vs. The Province of Punjab & Others** (2023 YLR 1672) wherein the Honourable Lahore High Court held that the framing of issues is an essential requirement of due process of law; and also reaffirmed the principle of law that *“one hears must decide”*.

#### **PUBLICATION:**

1. Co-authored the Pakistan chapter of the Lexology: Getting the Deal through Labour & Employment Guide 2022 available at <<https://www.lexology.com/gtdt/workareas/labour-and-employment>>
2. Authored the National Report on Pakistan for the International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) in the project *‘Does a Right to Physical Hearing Exist in International Arbitration?’* available at <[https://cdn.arbitration-icca.org/s3fs-public/document/media\\_document/Pakistan-Right-to-a-Physical-Hearing-Report.pdf](https://cdn.arbitration-icca.org/s3fs-public/document/media_document/Pakistan-Right-to-a-Physical-Hearing-Report.pdf)>

#### **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:**

##### **Representative for North Asia (and Pakistan), ICC YAF**

July 2021 – Present

ICC YAF Representatives operate semi-autonomously under the guidance of their Regional Director and the Global Coordinating Committee of ICC YAF to ensure that the Regional Chapter achieves its goals. These goals include, notably, promoting and developing the Regional Chapter’s network of young practitioners, promoting ICC’s and ICC YAF’s work by organizing Regional Chapter events to create opportunities for the new generation to gain knowledge, develop their skills and create awareness of ICC’s dispute resolution services. In this regard, recently I organised and hosted an ICC YAF’s event titled *“Strategizing Proceedings: tips and tricks for in-house counsel”* in Pakistan wherein the panel of speakers included lawyers from Sherman & Sterling, Axis Law Chambers, and Mobilink.

##### **Co-Founder, Energy-Related Arbitration Practitioners (Pakistan Chapter) – (<https://enerap.com>)**

June 2020 - Present

ENERAP is a worldwide forum that aims to promote the development of arbitration through the study of the characteristics, complexities, and challenges involved in commercial and investment arbitration proceedings related to the energy sector. ENERAP aims to create an inter-jurisdictional forum to analyse the particularities of energy disputes that could be solved through commercial or investment arbitration. To achieve such a goal, we aim to bring together all the different players of the arbitration field: state representatives; in-house counsels; economic, financial & technical experts; arbitration centres; commercial arbitration practitioners; ISDS practitioners; and energy law lawyers.

##### **Mentee, Young ITA Mentorship Program 2020 -2021**

September 2020 – June 2020

The Young ITA Mentorship Program brings together young and aspiring arbitration practitioners with seasoned arbitration community members. My Mentor was Professor Dr. Patricia Shaughnessy, – a well-known scholar throughout the world in international arbitration. This program will help mentees, among other things, to (i) develop opportunities for collaboration, such as research and writing projects; (ii) discuss recent developments in international arbitration that are of interest to the Group; and (iii) discuss career development.

##### **Ambassador, Arbitrator Intelligence – (<https://arbitratorintelligence.com/>)**

October 2020 – September 2021

Arbitrator Intelligence aims to promote transparency, accountability, and diversity in arbitrator selection by increasing access to critical information about arbitrators and their decision-making. As Ambassador, I was working with Arbitrator Intelligence to advance the mission to revolutionize the arbitrator selection process. I was responsible for arranging Webinars in Pakistan and Sweden to promote the knowledge of international arbitration and also to promote the core values of

Arbitrator Intelligence. Apart from that, I was also responsible for interviewing arbitrators and am a member of committees on Digital marketing, and publications.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:**

- Member of Young Institute of Transnational Arbitration (Young ITA);
- Member of Young International Council for Commercial Arbitration (Young ICCA);
- Member of Young International Arbitration Group (YIAG);
- Member of ICC's Young Arbitrators Forum (YAF);
- Member of CIArb's Young Members Group (YMG);
- Member of Young ICSID (YICSID);
- Member of Young SIAC (YSIAC);
- Member of ICDR's Young & International (Y&I);
- Member of Lahore Bar Association, Pakistan;
- Member of Lahore High Court Bar Association, Pakistan;
- Member of Punjab Bar Council, Pakistan.