



*Sri Justice S.R. Venkatesha Murthy
Former Judge of High Court of Karnataka
Former Member, Law Commission of Karnataka*

Sri Justice S. R. Venkatesha Murthy was born to Smt. Savithramma and Shri S. Raghavendra Achar on 27.9.1938 at Konasur Village in Mysore District. His revered father was a leading Legal Practitioner of Mandya Bar. With a legal background in the family, he took his B.Sc., degree from St. Joseph's College, Bangalore. He studied Law at Sharada Vilas Law College at Mysore and secured B.L. Degree with high distinction. He had also secured M.L. degree in jurisprudence from Government Law College, Bangalore. On enrolment, his Lordship joined the celebrated Chambers of his father Shri S. Raghavendra Achar. In 1967 he joined Karnataka State Judicial Service and became District Judge in 1985.

It may be recalled here, that before setting up the City Civil Court at Bangalore, he was deputed by the High Court to study the working of the City Civil Courts at Bombay and Ahmadabad, and the report submitted virtually became the basis for the present structure of the City Civil Court. His Lordship was appointed as its Registrar. Later, he served as the Additional Registrar of the High Court of Karnataka, which is a testimony to his judicial as well as administrative skills. He was appointed as Principal District and Sessions Judge

at Mangalore & Mysore, in which post he was serving till his elevation as a Judge of High Court of Karnataka.

He was appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Karnataka Administrative Tribunal, Bangalore in August, 2000, served and retired on 26-9-2003.

He was appointed by the Government of Karnataka vide Notification bearing No.LAW 30 KLM 2009, dtd. 03/07/2009 as Member of the Law Commission of Karnataka with immediate effect and retired on 06.07.2014.
