

Curriculum Vitae

Judge Joseph David Camilleri

Son of the late Edward and Vincenza Zammit Haber, Joseph D. Camilleri was born at Zebbug on the 21st October 1944. After receiving his secondary education at the Lyceum, he entered the Royal University of Malta, graduating as Bachelor of Arts in English, Italian and Economics in 1965. In 1968 he obtained the Diploma of Notary Public and in the following year he graduated as Doctor of Laws from the same University with a thesis on “The Usages of Trade in Commercial Sales”.

He was called to the bar in 1970 and set up in private practice, mainly as a civil and commercial litigation lawyer. He represented the Guild of Graduates on the Council of the University of Malta between 1971 and 1974.

He was appointed Magistrate for Gozo in 1977 and Magistrate for Malta in 1978. In 1983, he was appointed Judge of the Superior Courts and he sat in the Commercial Court from 1983 until its suppression in 1995. During this period, he was also assigned duties in the First Hall of the Civil Court and in the Criminal Court. From 1996 to 2002 he sat in the Second Hall of the Civil Court. He now sits on the Court of Appeal and in the Constitutional Court.

He has been appointed by the Faculty of Laws of the University of Malta, as an examiner in Constitutional Law, Civil Law and Civil Procedure Law on a regular basis.

He is a founder member of the Association of Judges and Magistrates of Malta and an associate member of the Commonwealth Magistrates and Judges Association as well as of the Association of Supreme Administrative Judges. For a number of years he represented Malta on the Consultative Council of European Judges (CCJE) of the Council of Europe.

Between 2001 and 2006, he was the elected representative of the Judges of the Superior Courts on the Commission for the Administration of Justice, in terms of Article 101A of the Constitution of Malta.

Mr. Justice Camilleri has been a strong advocate and promoter of judicial training. When the Judicial Studies Committee was set up, he was appointed by the Chief Justice as its first Chairman, a post he holds to this day. He retired from the Bench, having reached the statutory age limit of 65 years, on the 21st October 2009.

He is married to Professor Marie Therese nee` Podesta` and has a son, David and two daughters, Anne Marie and Marie Claire.