



## **Yeung Kam John YEUNG SIK YUEN**

### **Bio-Data**

Chief Justice Yeung Sik Yuen was born in Curepipe, Mauritius.

He was educated at St Joseph's College, Curepipe. He obtained his LL.B Degree from the University of Leeds in 1969 and was called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn in 1970.

From 1970 to 1972, he read French Law at the Université de Paris II, Panthéon. He joined the then Crown Law Office in Port Louis in December 1972 as Crown Counsel.

The Chief Justice has had a distinguished career in the Judiciary. He joined the Magistracy in 1976 and has served in each and every post of the Magistracy. He has even sat in Rodrigues and Agaléga.

He was appointed Judge of the Supreme Court in 1989 and Senior Puisne Judge in 1995. In June 2007, he was appointed as Chief Justice of Mauritius. He is the holder of the insignia of the Grand Order of the Star and Key (G.O.S.K).

The Chief Justice has served from 1998 to 2002 on the Sub-Commission for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights at the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights of the United Nations (OHCHR) in Geneva.

Since 2007, he serves as a Commissioner of the African Commission on Human and People's Rights. In that year, the Chief Justice was admitted to the Honorary Freedom of the City of Port Louis (the capital city) and to the Honorary Freedom of the City of Curepipe (his hometown). He is a member of the Lions Club of Port Louis and sits on the Board of Governors of St Joseph's College.

His Lordship the Chief Justice was made a Honorary Bencher of the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple in March 2009 and received a similar accolade from the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn in October 2009.

In April 2011, the Honourable Chief Justice received the Award of the Distinguished Lawyer of the World Jurist Association.

The Chief Justice is married and has three children.