

**TWO-WEEK VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM FOR LAW GRADUATES
(BATCH-09 FROM 25 SEPTEMBER – 07 OCTOBER 2023 AT LARKANA)**



❖ The Hon'ble Supreme Court of Pakistan decided in its judgment [*Pakistan Bar Council through Chairman & others Vs. Federal Government through Establishment Division & others (2018 SCMR 1891)*] that the Provincial/Islamabad Bar Councils may introduce a "Two Week Bar Vocational course" during the six-month training/pupillage period that a law graduate intending to join the legal profession must undergo for being enrolled as an advocate for practicing law.

❖ The Sindh Judicial Academy in collaboration with the Sindh Bar Council arranged a Two-Week Vocational Training Program for Law Graduates on procedural laws from 25 September – 07 October 2023 (**Batch-09**) at Larkana. 91 Law Graduates attended this interactive and practical training program.

❖ The following faculty led the sessions and shared their valuable experiences with the participants:

- ❖ Mrs. Munawwar Sultana (District & Sessions Judge/Senior Faculty Member, Sindh Judicial Academy)
- ❖ Mr. Muhammad Shahid Shafiq (District & Sessions Judge/Senior Faculty Member, Sindh Judicial Academy)

- ❖ Barrister Hassan Soomro (Member Lincoln's inn London)
- ❖ Syed Sharafuddin Shah (District & Sessions Judge)
- ❖ Mr. Rashid Ali Dayo (Additional District and Sessions Judge)
- ❖ Mr. Raj Kumar (Additional District and Sessions Judge)
- ❖ Mr. Aijaz Ali Chang (Senior Civil Judge)
- ❖ Mr. Abdul Nabi Sario (District Attorney Larkana)

❖ **Mrs. Munawwar Sultana** shared the aims and objectives of the training. She described the training format. She also oversaw the pre-assessment.

❖ In a session, **Mrs. Sultana** shared that legal processes and documents play a vital role in family law matters, ensuring that disputes are formally presented and addressed through the legal system while adhering to the applicable family laws. She unfolded the "Family Laws" and their subsequent topics. In another session, she discussed "Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)."

Mrs. Sultana actively involved the participants in a Mock Trial session focused on ADR to aid them in honing their critical thinking and



elocution skills while imparting knowledge about the subject and its processes.

❖ **Br. Hassan Soomro** led some sessions on the subject of “Criminal Law” and discussed writing applications for Bailable offenses, Pos/Pre-arrest drafting, etc. In other sessions, he discussed intellectual property and its types. For a better understanding of the subject, he involved the participants in the Mock Trial.

❖ **Mr. Arshad Hussain Soomro** in “Law of Evidence (Qanun-e-Shahadat, 1984” discussed examining witnesses, cross-examination, producing documents and marking Exhibits, and the Role of Modern devices in the collection of evidence. Moreover, to assist participants in developing critical thinking and elocution skills and to provide knowledge of the subject and procedures, he engaged the participants in a Mock Trial session of Civil Law.

Mr. Soomro conducted some sessions on the subject of “Civil Law.” He discussed types of relief and injunctions, drafting and arguing injunction applications. He also discussed the relevant case law. Further, to elaborate on how to argue before the court, he involved the participants in a Mock Trial exercise.

❖ **Mr. Muhammad Shahid Shafiq** discussed “Civil Law.” He elaborated on how to draft a complaint under the Illegal Dispossession Act, of 2005, the Procedure of filling Complaint, Civil remedy under the Act, and Criminal remedy under the Act, with Important Case Law. The participants were given an exercise of draft complaints.

❖ **Mr. Junaid Memon** covered several subsequent subjects of “Family Law.”

❖ **Mr. Abbas Ali Abbasi** led the sessions on the subject of “Pleading and Conveyancing.” He elaborated on the definition, history, and types of “Conveyancing.” He also explained and shared the Specimen of the Deed component, Power of attorney, Sale agreement, sale deed, lease deed, etc.

❖ **Mr. Zain-ul-Abdin Sahito** on the subject of “Civil Law” shared the techniques,

procedures, and methods of “How to draft an application under Order VII Rules 10 & 11 CPC” and “How to draft an adjournment application under Order XVII CPC.” He also explained the Specimen of Complaint, Applications, and the Written Statement.

❖ **Mr. Muhammad Shahid Shafiq** conducted some sessions on the subject of “Criminal Law.” Discussing the Supply of Documents, he elaborated on the Role of the advocate at the stage of supplying documents to an accused and the procedure of providing legal aid. While discussing the Recording of evidence from parties, he taught Drafting affidavit-in-evidence, Production of documents, and Cross-examination. Further, **Mr. Shafiq** elaborated on the “Examination-in-chief of a complainant and his witnesses in a private complaint.” He shared the methods and techniques of “Preparing written arguments.”

Additionally, **Mr. Shafiq** actively engaged the participants in a Mock Trial session centered on “Advancing Final Argument”, helping them refine their critical thinking and public speaking abilities while providing insights into the subject matter and its procedures.

Conclusion

❖ This training program was meant to provide fresh law graduates law practical exposure to the field. They were involved in hands-on training sessions supervised by experts in the field. It developed specific skills and techniques relevant to the field and enhanced the participants' expertise. The training also increased the problem-solving abilities, confidence, adaptability, and personal growth among the students.

❖ At the end of the training, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Nadeem Akhtar (Judge, High Court of Sindh/Director General, Sindh Judicial Academy) gave concluding remarks and awarded certificates to the participants.

