

MUKUL ROHATGI

FORMER ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR INDIA

Born on August 17, 1955, Mr. Mukul Rohatgi completed the Commerce (Hons.) course from Delhi University in 1975 and went on to obtain the LL.B Degree in 1978 from Bombay University. He was admitted on the rolls of the Bar Council of Delhi as an Advocate, in May, 1978.

He was designated as a Senior Advocate by the High Court of Delhi in 1994, at the age of 39 years. In November, 1999, he was appointed as an Additional Solicitor General of India by the Government of India; the tenure ending in May, 2004. As a law officer of the Government of India, he handled myriad matters in the Supreme Court of India and various High Courts, not only for the Union Government but also various State Governments and Public Sector Enterprises. In June 2014, he was appointed as the Attorney-General for India.

He is highly regarded in constitutional, as well as corporate litigation, with equal measure. He has appeared in litigation involving varied areas of law, including constitutional law, commercial and corporate laws, criminal law, property law, arbitration law, personal laws, maritime law, anti dumping, taxation, armed forces, service law and a host of intellectual property law matters relating to patents, trademarks, copyright and industrial designs. He has been mentioned as a Notable Practitioner by Chambers & Partners and as a leading Senior Counsel by Legal 500. In January 2010, India's leading newspaper, the Times of India mentioned him in a list entitled, India's Top 10 Lawyers.

He has been invited to attend and present papers at various international law seminars and conferences. In 2006, he was chosen by the then Chief Justice of India, to be a part of the Indian delegation at the Indo-British Legal Forum, held in Scotland; where he presented a paper titled, Impact of Environmental Law on Human Rights.

He was invited to attend the Indo-Australian Legal Forum in March, 2015 at Canberra, Australia by the Government of Australia and the High Court of Australia, its highest court and was invited to participate in the 13th Meeting of the Prosecutors General of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Member States hosted by the Republic of Kazakhstan in August, 2015 in Astana.

He was awarded the National Law Day Award, 2008 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India with a citation for his erudition and vast experience in the practice of law and for his unflinching support for the basic rights guaranteed under the Constitution.

He was conferred Doctorate in Laws by Fakir Mohan University, Odisha in the year 2011.

He has also featured as a "Legal Eagle" in a book called Legal Eagles (Stories of the top seven Indian Lawyers) published in September, 2015.

He has been conferred with Doctor of Laws (LL.D) – *Honoris Causa* by the Amity University, U.P. in November, 2016

He demitted the office of Attorney General for India in the month June' 2017 and recommenced his practice.

He has been appointed as Eminent Jurist Member in the Selection Committee of Lokpal and Lokayuktas by the Government of India