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PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

2007	Called to the Bar of England and Wales from the Honorable Society of Lincoln's Inn, London, United Kingdom.
2012	Enrolled as an Advocate of the District Court, Dhaka by the Bangladesh Bar Council
2015	Enrolled as an Advocate of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh by the Bangladesh Bar Council.

EDUCATION

006	Post Graduate Diploma in Professional Legal Skills- Bar Vocational Course University of Northumbria, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, United Kingdom
005	LL.B (Hons) University of Northumbria, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, United Kingdom

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2014- Present	Research Associate Dr Kamal Hossain and Associates Practice Areas: Administrative Law; Arbitration; Banking; Commercial and Corporate; Constitutional Law; Shipping; Customs and Excise law, Labour Law.
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2011-2013 **Pupil**
 Dr Kamal Hossain and Associates

2010-2011 **Senior Lecturer, BAC Institute**

MAJOR TRANSACTIONS

As part of a team at Dr Kamal Hossain and Associates:

1. Provided advice for multinational companies on various labour law issues.
2. Provided assistance in advising Philip Morris on different regulatory issues
3. Advised an Indian bank in relation to an application for obtaining a banking license in Bangladesh
4. Worked with various telecommunication regulators such as Grameenphone Limited, Axiata(Bangladesh) Limited on different fiscal and regulatory issues
5. Involved in advising multinational banks such as Citibank N.A, HSBC in their transactions
6. Advised largest Bangladesh group of companies such as Abul Khair Group, Meghna Group of Industries, TK Group etc on a regular basis on different issues relating to fiscal matters and associated regulatory matters.
7. Provided research assistance in various projects of UNDP such as, Admissibility of Scientific Evidence in the Evidence Act, Bangladesh.
8. Provided research assistance in preparing a Bench Book on "Gender Equality".
9. Involved in advising private clients with various family disputes such as divorce, custody, etc.
10. Involved in advising private parties with various land related disputes.

PRO-BONO:

1. Worked as a part of a litigation team member in a compensation claim for death caused by motor accident.
2. Worked as a part of a litigation team member in the public interest writ petition challenging the systematic failure of the state to take action to investigate serious allegations of corporal punishment in primary and secondary educational institutions and madrasahs.
3. Worked as a part of litigation team member in the public interest challenging the failure of public authorities to ensure effective enforcement of laws on building construction and work place safety, in particular, the failure to prevent deaths and injuries of garments workers and others.

LANGUAGES

- Fluent in English and Bengali