

HIGH COURT OF DELHI

FULL COURT REFERENCE ON THE
SAD DEMISE OF MR. JUSTICE
D.R.KHANNA, A FORMER JUDGE OF
THIS COURT.

Mr. President and Secretary of the High Court Bar Association, Additional Solicitor General of India, Standing Counsel for Central Government and Government of NCT of Delhi, Chairman, Bar Council of Delhi and other Learned Members of the Bar, ladies and gentlemen.

Today we have assembled here to pay homage to late Mr. Justice D.R.Khanna, a former Judge of this Court who breathed his last on 28th April, 2004.

Justice D.R.Khanna was born on 17th October, 1923. After completing his education, he was appointed as Subordinate Judge in Punjab on 23rd November, 1950 . He was promoted as Additional District & Sessions Judge in Punjab. In May, 1971, Justice D.R. Khanna was appointed as

confirmed Additional District & Sessions Judge, Delhi. Justice Khanna functioned as Judicial Member, Income Tax Appellate Tribunal during the period 1971 to 1977. He was appointed as Sales Tax Appellate Tribunal, Delhi on 18th March, 1978. Justice D.R.Khanna was appointed as an Additional Judge of this Court on 19th October, 1979. He retired on 17th October, 1985.

Justice D.R.Khanna was a Judge of simple habits. He was very reserve in nature but dedicated to his work. He always adhered to his principles. His judgments were lucid and to the point. He was really a self-made man, who rose to occupy high Constitutional office of Judge of this Court with his hard work with great glory and was dedicated and devoted to the cause of justice.

In the death of Justice D.R.Khanna, we have lost one of the most versatile members of the legal fraternity. His death must be a grievous loss to the members of his family. We send our heartfelt condolences to them and pray to God

to give them strength to bear this irretrievable loss. May
the Almighty bestow peace to the departed soul.

(REFERENCE BY MEMBERS OF THE BAR)

Now, I request you all to pay homage to the memory of
late Mr. Justice D.R.Khanna by standing in silence for two
minutes.

April 29, 2004

**(B.C. PATEL)
CHIEF JUSTICE**

**THE COURT IS ADJOURNED FOR THE REST OF THE
DAY.**