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Hon'ble the Chief Justice, Hon'ble Judges, Chairman, Bar Council of Delhi, Ld. Addl. Solicitor General, President, Delhi High Court Bar Association and esteemed friends.

Today we have assembled here to mourn the untimely death of Shri Kirit N. Rawal Senior Advocate

Sh. Kirit N. Raval had a very brilliant academic record having passed B. Com in Ist Division and scoring Ist Rank in the LLB examination, he also did MBA. His educational excellence enabled him to work as Management consultant between 1973-75 which gave him ample experience of conducting appraisal of management structures. Though possessed with a MBA degree from IIM Ahmdabad Sh. Raval was attracted towards legal profession and so started practicing in Gujrat High Court in 1975 where he represented several companies, banks, financial institutions and public sector undertakings with brilliance.

Despite having attained immense success advocating the cause of large companies and financial institutions he did not loose sight of public issues and also contested many public interest litigations. He was engaged as a Standing Counsel by the Income Tax Department also because of his command on tax Laws.

In view of his excellence in the legal profession he was designated as Senior Advocate in 1985 whereafter he conducted many important cases in the Supreme Court and various High Courts besides other Tribunals like BIFR, MRTP. He was appointed as Additional Solicitor General by the Govt. of India in May 1998 and was able to achieve the position of Solicitor General of India in November, 2002 due to his unstinted hard work . By virtue of his command in almost all fields of law whether it related to Constitution, Commerce, Income Tax, Custom and Excise Labour or Service Law it was a privilege to assist him in the cases.

A soft spoken, docile human being work with concentration and devotion was the principle of his life.

Even in the most difficult situations he would not lose his cool. The most difficult matter would be a matter of minutes for him to grasp and argue. With the death of Shri Kirit Rawal, the Bar has lost a legal luminary and a man with deep insight into the legal intricacies

May I request My Lord Hon'ble The Chief Justice to convey the heart felt condolence to the bereaved family on behalf of the Govt. of NCT of Delhi, on behalf of my colleagues representing Government of Delhi and on my own behalf. May God give strength to the members of his family to bear this loss.

  
( MUKTA GUPTA )

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