

## **Curriculum Vitae**

### **Mr Justice Tonio Mallia**

Tonio Mallia was born on the 29<sup>th</sup> November, 1955, at the Blue Sisters Hospital, Saint Julians; he was, however, baptised at the Parish Church dedicated to St. Paul's Shipwreck in Valletta. In 1986 he married Pauline-Anne Agius who is a practising Legal Procurator. His father, Paul, was also a lawyer and his brother, Michael, is a Magistrate of the Inferior Courts.

After receiving his primary and secondary education at St. Joseph's Primary School at Rabat and at the Lyceum in Hamrun, Tonio Mallia joined the University of Malta where he read economics and law. He graduated as a Notary in December 1980, and as Doctor of Laws in January 1982. In December 1994 he was awarded a Diploma in Canonical Marriages by the Archdiocese of Malta, and in May 2001 he successfully completed a course on Arbitrations held by the Malta Arbitration Centre under the auspices of the International Institute of Chartered Arbitrators of London. He is a Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

In 1988 Dr Mallia was appointed Lecturer in Civil Law at the University of Malta, and in 1997 was appointed Head of the Department of Civil Law within the Faculty of Law at the University. In 1999 he was appointed Senior Lecturer. After his appointment to the Bench, the post was converted into an Honorary Senior Lectureship.

In 1996 Dr Mallia was appointed by the Archbishop of Malta as Chairman of the Archdiocesan Commission on the Family and Divorce.

Before his appointment to the Bench Dr Mallia was also appointed to sit on two Government Commissions: in 1997 he was appointed member of the Commission to revise the rent laws, and in the 2000, he was appointed a member of the Commission to revise the Land Registration Act.

Mr Justice Mallia is also the author of a number of articles published in local legal journals.

Mr Justice Mallia took the oath of office as a Judge of the Superior Courts on the 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2002 and ordinarily sits in the Court of Appeal.