

CURRICULUM VITAE

MAGISTRATE ANTHONY J VELLA

Son of the late Joseph (a lawyer) and Maria Vella, Anthony John Vella was born in December 1965 and received his education at Stella Maris School, at St Aloysius College and at the University of Malta from where he graduated as Doctor of Laws in 1991.

As a student he was President of the Law Students Association and represented law students on the Faculty Board between 1988 and 1990.

Tony Vella was called to the Bar in 1992, where he practised mainly in civil and commercial litigation. He was an associate with the firm Advocates Vella and Associates between 1992 and 2000, and a partner with GVTH Advocates from 2000 up to his appointment to the Bench.

In 1997 he obtained a BA degree in Philosophy and Theology, and later also an MA in Financial Services, both from the University of Malta.

He was president of the Komunitajiet Hajja Nisranija (Christian Life Communities) between 1999 and 2002 and was a committee member of the Chamber of Advocates between 1998 and 2004, where he was editor of the Chamber's journal *Law and Practice*.

At present Magistrate Vella presides over the Court of Magistrates in criminal cases and over the Juvenile Court. He is also the Secretary of the Association of Judges and Magistrates of Malta.

He is married to Alison Salt and has two children. His favourite pastimes are music and sport.