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Education:

- Doctor of Juridical Science (S.J.D) - University of Pittsburgh School of Law 2016-2019
- LLM - Penn State University 2015-2016
- MSC in public law / specialty: Administrative Law/ Faculty of Law - University of Mosul, Iraq/ 2004-2006
- BSC of Law - College of Law - University of Mosul, Iraq / 1995-1999

Experience:

- **Faculty members** at Al-Iraqia University - Baghdad -Iraq time January 2012 until present, (Teaching the constitutional law class)
- **Deputy Commissioner** in the Independent High Election Commission- IHEC, Baghdad - Iraq. June 2008 - January 2013, Providing legal consultations to the Board of Commissioners; accomplishing many legal tasks including preparing IHEC bylaw; drafting proposals to amend the Commission's law and the electoral law; and supporting Tunisia Elections Commission in 2011.
- **Faculty members** at the University of Mosul, August 2006 - May 2008,(Teaching administrative law, human rights and democracy classes; advising the research undergrad students.
- **Teacher Assistant** - Mosul University, July 2002 - May 2006,Executive Editor of Al - Rafidain Journal of Rights
- **Volunteer** in Human Rights NGO, 2004 – 2007, Main tasks include: facilitating the Constitutional Dialogue & Education Program in Iraq, establishing Human Rights Defenders Network (HRDN), participating in strengthen the Iraqi civil society organizations, promote their activities and finding solutions to the civil society challenges during the phase of adopting Iraqi Constitution.
- **Lawyer** at Dr. Qais Al Heyaly law firm: Mosul, Baghdad Associate Attorney; 1999 -2002; Specializing in litigation of family law cases including divorce &child custody, criminal cases in addition to drafting legal documents and contracts.

Researches and Publishing:

- The judicial review of the balancing of benefits and harms of the Administrivia's decision) MSC thesis -Mosul University College of Law in 2006 (MSC thesis in Arabic,2006)

- The powers of Provincial Councils under the 2005 Constitution and the governing laws / research accepted for publication in the Journal of *Al Refined* of rights. (Article in Arabic,2007)
- Notes at the teaching of human rights and democracy / article published in the newspaper and flashes University / number 64 in 4/3/2008 (essay in Arabic)
- Islamic Sharia Law in the Constitutional wording: A paper presented to the conference on the integrative role of scientific research in the legislative field, organized by Al-Iraqia University. (paper conference in Arabic,2013)
- The legal Jurist: Hassan Ali Alznon – a paper presented to the Scholars of Iraq conference organized by Al-Iraqia University in 2013. (Paper conference in Arabic)
- The Basis for Judicial Review in the Federal Supreme Court in Iraq: Mediating between Democracy and Human Rights through “Islam's Settled Rulings” (SJD dissertation in English,2019)
- Constitutionalizing of Community, (essay in Arabic,2017)
- Iraq after ISIS: Urgent Legal Reforms Needed, (essay in English ,2017)
- Toward Effective Judicial Review in Iraq, (essay in English ,2018)
- Can the Federal Supreme Court in Iraq Apply the methods of Judicial Review in the Supreme court of U.S.? (Article in English officially accepted in Alrafidain law review5-2020)
- A New Basis for Judicial Review in Iraq (Article in English officially accepted in Arab Law Quarterly5-2020)

Conferences:

- Member of the Media Committee of the Conference of Sharia and Law 2001, which was organized by the Association of Scientists in collaboration with the Faculty of Law University of Mosul.
- Member of the organizing committee of the first and second Electoral Scientific Conference, organized by the Independent Electoral Commission during the period 2010-2011.

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I have excellent writing skills in legal related documents. I have strong interest in independent objective and neutral research.

I have analytical and critical thinking skill; therefore, I have the ability to perceive, organize, and assimilate information, meanwhile I'm practical in nature.

I am a highly focused, dedicated and committed person. I have excellent communication skills, conflict resolution and reconciliation spirit, problem-solving mentality. I'm deeply interested in dispute resolution mechanism too.

I am a highly organized and a good team player. My various jobs and academic career helped me to acquire the required negotiation, motivation and leadership skills.

I gained international experience while I was studying in the US and working in couple other countries in which enabled me understating the importance of diversity and being very passionate advocate to end gender based violence especially against women and minorities.

I'm fully aware and comprehend of the Iraqi history, culture, government structure and system from a legal aspect, and I have broadened my perspective on how to address the Iraqi Law and Constitutional challenges.

I'm interested in your position, and I think I will be appropriate candidate to provide independent, well thought and targeted legal and constitutional counsel that will serve the goal of introducing adjustments to the Iraqi Constitution.

Languages:

- Arabic, Mother tongue
- English, fluent.