

SUPREME COURT BAR ASSOCIATION (SCBA) ELECTION

Candidate KYC (Know Your Candidate) Questionnaire-cum-Declaration Form

To be filled, verified, and signed by the candidate. This form, once signed, will be published on Lawyers Association for Constitution (lafc.in) website.

This questionnaire is designed to help voters evaluate candidates contesting the SCBA elections by ensuring transparency regarding their personal background, professional record, legal ethics, and policy stances. The candidate must fill in every field truthfully and sign the verification line at the bottom of every page, in addition to the final Declaration on the last page.

Note to candidate: Type your answers directly into the blank lines below, Leave a field blank and write "NIL" where not applicable. Sign at the bottom of every page.

Please give the answers just below the questions (so that people can read properly in Mobile)

Section 1: Basic & Personal Information.

Post - Member Executive

Full Name

Kumud Lata Das

Age

64 Years

Section 2: Educational & Professional Qualifications

Undergraduate & Legal Qualification

Degree(s) Obtained

BA(Eco) Hons. and LLB

College/University Attended

L.N. Mithila University (BA), University of Delhi (LLB)

Year of Passing Out

1981, 1991

Additional / Master's Qualifications (e.g., LL.M., Ph.D.)

MA. Economics (Delhi School of Economics) (University Of Delhi)

Section 3: Enrolment & Membership in Bar Associations

Enrolment Details

Year of Enrolment as an Advocate - 1991

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Name of the State Bar Council
Bar Council of Delhi

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Professional Status

Advocate , Advocate-on-Record (AOR) / Senior Advocate , *(If applicable)*

If Candidate is a Senior Advocate, the Court mention the Court which designated :

Advocate on Record (Code CC1222)

Bar Association Memberships *(List all active and past memberships in SCBA, High Court Bar Associations, District Bar Associations, etc.)*

- 1) Supreme Court Bar Association
- 2)
- 3)

Membership in Other Professional/Academic Associations if any,

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)

If you are a member of any Political Party, please give details, if not, mention as " NO"

(Past or present membership, post held, or explicit non-affiliation)

NO

Section 4: Electoral History in SCBA

Number of Times Contested in SCBA Elections

3 times

Details of Previous Contests *(Posts contested, year, and results/outcome)*

- 1) 2011-12 Member Executive (Elected)
- 2) 2015-16 Member Executive (Elected)
- 3) 2016-17 Member Executive (Elected)

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Past Office-Bearer Positions Held (In SCBA or any other Bar/Legal organisation)

- 1)
 - 2)
- NO

Section 5: Legal & Criminal Antecedents, if any : NO**Pending Criminal Cases (As Accused)**

Case Number / FIR Details

NO

Specific Offences Charged

NO

Court Handling the Case

NO

Disposed-Off Cases,

Outcome (Acquittal / Discharge / Quashed / Conviction)

Specific Offences Charged

NO

Details/Summary of Court Order(s)

NO

Section 6: Active Practice & Physical Presence

Physical Presence in Court Total number of days physically present in the Supreme Court in preceding year from 1st August 2025 to 1st Aug 2026

Regular Filing and Regular Appearance in Supreme Court (80% Physical Appearance)

Key Areas of Practice (at least 5)

- 1) Constitutional Law
- 2) Criminal Law
- 3) PMLA
- 4) Civil Laws
- 5) Election Laws

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Section 8: Policy Views & Legal Vision

Vision for SCBA Members (50 words each)

- There is no social security measures for SCBA members in case of Death, Serious Illness and Physical Disability by SCBA
- 1) Key priorities regarding advocate welfare, Chamber to be given to AoR, Non-AoR and Senior Advocate as per the prevailing allotment i.e. 7:2:1
 - 2) chamber allotment
 - 3) medical insurance, It ought to cover OPD, IPD and Investigation (atleast twice a year)
 - 4) court infrastructure, Need more waiting area and Bar Room till SCBA members are allotted chambers or atleast a locker facility
 - 5) young lawyer support. Young Lawyers need to be given stipend for initial 3 years in practice

Your opinion on the Selection & Appointment of Judges *What is your stance on the current Collegium System versus alternative models (e.g., Judicial Appointments Commission with Bar representation)? What should be the correct, transparent method for selecting Supreme Court and High Court judges? (50 words)*

The present collegium system has been in practice for 33 years till date NJAC was struck down by this Hon'ble court in 2015. Collegium System needs more transparency.

Section 9: Message to Voters

In one paragraph (100 words or less), describe to voters what you stand for as a candidate

The voice of the voters is to be heard by way of a General Board Meeting which has not been held for the past 3 years except for the mandatory AGM on the date of election as prescribed in the SCBA rules. Many electoral reforms would be introduced in SCBA election in accordance with Justice Nageshwar Rao Committee report. No member of SCBA irrespective of the fact whether he is a voter or not has a right to information. The reforms need to be disseminated to the members by way of open discussion culminating into a General body meeting. Medical insurance and Advocate Welfare need to be given top priority.

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_____ Date: 16/08/2026

Declaration & Verification

I, the undersigned, being a candidate for the Supreme Court Bar Association (SCBA) Election, do hereby solemnly declare and affirm as follows:

1. The information furnished by me in the foregoing Questionnaire is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and no material fact has been concealed, suppressed, or misrepresented therein.
2. I am aware that this Declaration, together with my answers to the Questionnaire, is being obtained for the purpose of the SCBA Election KYC and will be published on the website of Lawyers' Association for Constitution (lafc.in) website for the information of the electorate.
3. I undertake full responsibility for the accuracy of the information furnished above, and I understand that furnishing false or misleading information may render me liable to such consequences as may be prescribed under applicable law.

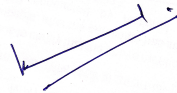
Name of Candidate (Block Letters): Kumud Lata Das

Enrolment / Membership No.: D/625/1991. D-22

Place: Delhi

Date: 16/08/2026

Signature of Candidate:



(Signature to be affixed by the candidate; a scanned/typed signature or e-signature as accepted by SCBA for the purpose of this online form.)