

# SHRI BIJOY KRUSHNA MAHANTI , SENIOR ADVOCATE

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CA SHRI BIJOY KRUSHNA MAHANTI, SENIOR ADVOCATE.

He was born at Cuttack, on the 20th day of September, 1935 to Late Dr Rai Krishna Mahanti and Late Hemamala Mahanti. He was educated in Ravenshaw Collegiate, School, Cuttack, and passed matriculation in the year 1950. He graduated in Economics with Honours from Ravenshaw College, Cuttack in the year 1954 and passed Law in 1956 from Madhusudan Law College, Cuttack.

He joined as an Article Clerk in the chambers of late Justice R. K. Das, and enrolled as an advocate with the Orissa State Bar Council in the year 1957. He practiced first in the civil and criminal side and later appeared in tax laws and in writs before the Hon'ble High Court of Orissa. In 1975 he was designated as a Senior Advocate. He has been appearing in many tax cases before the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal at Patna and thereafter with the formation of Income Tax Appellate Tribunal, Cuttack Bench, Cuttack, he started appearing before the Cuttack Bench. He has also appeared before the ITAT, Calcutta and in matters before the Supreme Court of India. He has also appeared in tax cases in the High Courts of Andhra Pradesh and Calcutta. He has been practicing in almost every type of tax challenges under the Constitution and have appeared in major cases concerning almost every Corporation in the state including the Corporate clients and both central and state owned Public Sector Corporations. The reported decisions of the Supreme Court and the High Courts will bear testimony to it.

He had appeared and argued the matter in the famous tax case or K.P.Varghese before the Supreme Court along with the legendary jurist and constitutional lawyer the late N.A. Palkhivala.

Under the Leadership of the former Chief Justice of India, Justice Sri P. N. Bhagwati, he went in a five member delegation to USSR as a member of the jury in the trial of the Chernobyl Nuclear Blast and also for a dialogue on judicial review on the eve of the Soviet Union introducing judicial review into their legal system.

He was the Advocate General for the State of Orissa from 07.06.2004 to 10.06.2009.

He was the Secretary of the Cuttack District Bar Association and of the Orissa High Court Bar Association for one term each. He was the President of the Orissa High Court Bar Association for the term 2000-2001, and the Active President of the national body of lawyers being the Indian Association of Lawyers for the term 1997 and 1998.

He has taken active interest in, the creation and formation of the National Law University of Odisha at Cuttack. He was the president of the Governing Body of the Ravenshaw College before it became Ravenshaw University.

He was involved in many other Social Organizations and also a Past President of the Rotary Club of Cuttack and the Chairperson of the Gopala Krishna Gosala at Cuttack. He has been instrumental in setting up the JPM Rotary Eye Hospital and the JPM Rotary Dialysis Centre at Cuttack.