CURRICULUM VITAE

Georgios V. Cosmas

Member of the Council of State

Born in Athens in 1932, married with two daughters.

Studied law at Athens University and became a lawyer in Athens.

In 1963, was appointed rapporteur in the Council of State, following a competition. In 1973, was promoted to associate judge. Has been a Member of the Council of State since 1982.

Faithful to the constitutional democratic institutions, opposed the colonels' dictatorship in 1967. For taking that position, was imprisoned, tried by extraordinary court-marshal and dismissed from his post. He remained outside the Council of State for eighteen months.

Underwent further training in Community Law (1978-1979) in France (Centre universitaire d'études des Communautés européennes (Paris I)).

At the same time as his main judicial responsibilities, was a Member for three years of the Mistrial Claims Court which, under the constitution, hears civil actions for judicial errors brought against judges. For four years, was also a Member of the Supreme Special Court which, under the constitution, is responsible for harmonizing the jurisprudence of the three Supreme Courts of Greece, and for judicial control of the validity of parliamentary elections and elections for the European Parliament.