

Special Adviser Without Portfolio

Short Bio. | H.E. Chief Justice (retd.) Mohamed Chande Othman



H.E. Mr Mohamed Chande Othman served as Chief Justice of Tanzania, from December 2010 to 18 January 2017. Prior to that, he served as a Judge of the High Court, and a Justice of Appeal with the Court of Appeal, Tanzania's Apex Court. Justice Othman currently serves under a UN General Assembly mandate as Eminent Person, appointed (since 2017) by the UN Secretary-General to review the conditions and circumstance resulting in the tragic death in

1961, of Dag Hammarskjold, the second UN Secretary-General and of members of the party accompanying him. Justice Othman was also one of the nine-members of Independent Expert Review Group appointed the Assembly of States Parties of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court ("ICC" or the "Court"), in December 2019 to review the performance, efficiency and effectiveness of the Court and the Rome Statute system.

Justice Othman's previous experience includes that of Prosecutor General of East Timor and Chief of Prosecutions of the UN International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda. Under the UN auspices, in 2006, he served as a Member of the UN Human Rights Council's High-Level Commission of Inquiry into the Situation in Lebanon as well as the UNHRC's Independent Expert on the human rights situation in Sudan (2009-2010).

His publications include books and peer-reviewed articles on International Humanitarian Law, International Criminal Law, Refugee Law, Criminal Law and Evidence, and Peacekeeping.

