

Sharmeen Ali Khan, LLB (Honors), LLM

Biosketch

Sharmeen Ali Khan is a lawyer with over seven years experience in areas of commercial and civil law. She obtained her LLB (Honors) from the International Islamic University Islamabad with a focus on Sharia Law in 2000 graduating at the top of her class. In 2001, Ms. Khan completed her LLM in International Criminal Law, with distinction, from the University of Sussex. She has a long association with corporate law firms and is currently the Director, Legal and General Counsel for Pakistan in Pfizer.

Ms. Khan has had an active interest in bioethics and its connection to legal systems. She has studied laws governing abortion in Pakistan and delivered a guest lecture on this subject at the Aga Khan University in 2004. In May 2008, Ms. Khan was a guest speaker at the Socratic Hour of the Center of Biomedical Ethics and Culture, SIUT and spoke on "Law and Medical Matters." During this session she gave a comprehensive overview of the legal aspects of various medical issues in Pakistan including abortion, euthanasia and the right to die, suicide, legal definition of death, and implications of national law for organ transplantation.