

## CURRICULUM VITAE OF

## DÁMASO RUIZ-JARABO COLOMER

Born in Madrid on 20 June 1950.

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**ACADEMIC BACKGROUND**

In June 1966 he completed his secondary schooling, obtaining a special Higher School Leaving Certificate prize from the university district of Madrid, with a distinction in the higher level final examination and with distinctions in 34 subjects.

In June 1971 he completed his law degree studies at the Universidad Complutense de Madrid, with distinctions in the subjects of natural law, Roman law, the history of law, political law, political economics, criminal law, international public law, government finance, administrative law, labour law and business law.

In 1972 he passed the additional examinations for a Bachelor's Degree in Law with the top mark of "outstanding", and obtained the prize of the Blanco Ramírez Foundation for Law Graduates.

In the same year, 1972, he completed his studies for a diploma in social services from the Madrid Social Services School, obtaining the mark of "outstanding" in the subjects of political and administration organisation of the Spanish State, introduction to the study of law, labour law, social problems of Spanish development, social security, Spanish trade union organisation, labour law procedure and health and safety at work. He presented his thesis on "El recurso en interés de la ley del derecho procesal laboral" (appeals against judgments of the central labour law tribunal), which also obtained the maximum mark of "outstanding".

In 1976 he completed the course for the Doctorate in Law, with the maximum grade of "outstanding" in all subjects.

He assisted Professor García de Enterría in the teaching of administrative law in the Faculty of Law of the Universidad Complutense during the 1977-1978 academic year and the following years.

In 1979 he obtained the European Communities diploma awarded by the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

In May 1979, he was awarded a scholarship by the Spanish School of Diplomacy to attend a colloquium on the accession of Spain to the European Communities organised by the Free University of Brussels and the Catholic University of Leuven.

In April 1982 he attended the first seminar on European Community law organised by the General Council of the Judiciary.

In April 1982, he was awarded a scholarship by the Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo in Santander and took part in the course on "Bases filosóficas, antropológicas y psicológicas sobre el amor" (Philosophical, anthropological and psychological theories on love).

In 1982 he was also appointed professor of criminal law I and II in the Faculty of Law at the Centre for University Studies, Colegio Universitario Luis Vives, which comes under the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, where he lectured during the 1982-1983, 1983-1984 and 1984-1985 academic years.

In September 1982, as a lecturer under contract to the School for the Judiciary, he gave a series of lectures on criminal law procedure on the XXVIIth course for the profession of judge.

In November and December 1982 he carried out studies at the Council of Europe in Strasbourg, in the Directorate for Legal Affairs and at the Court of Human Rights.

In September 1983 he was appointed professor of criminal law procedure at the School of Legal Practice of the Universidad Pontificia de Comillas, teaching there during the 1983-1984, 1984-1985, 1985-1986 and 1986-1987 academic years.

On 10 October 1983 he was appointed by the Ministry of Justice to attend, as the Ministry's representative, the European colloquium on "Compensation for the victims of acts of violence", organised by the non-profit making body "Aide et Reclassement", held in the town of Huy (Belgium) from 14 to 17 October that year.

In May and June 1984 he carried out studies at the legal service of the Commission of the European Communities in Brussels.

In July and August 1985 he carried out studies and research at the Court of Justice of the European Communities, working on the topics of European Community law and criminal law.

On 18 and 19 April 1986 he attended the seminar "Spain in Europe", organised by the "Casa de España" in New York, and lectured on "The legal consequences of the accession of Spain to the European Communities".

In the academic year 1993-1994 he taught judicial application of Community law on the course for the higher diploma in Community studies at the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid.

In the academic year 1993-1994 he also taught a Doctorate course in the Department of Administrative Law of the Universidad Complutense, with Professor García de Enterría.

In April 1994 he attended the first democratic multiracial elections in the Republic of South Africa as a United Nations observer.

Since 1997 he has been a member of the advisory board of the Revista de Derecho Comunitario Europeo, published by the Centre for Constitutional Studies.

He has been on the editorial board of the journal Gaceta Jurídica de la Unión Europea y de la Competencia since 1999.

He has been a member of the editorial board of the Revista Española de Derecho Europeo (Civitas) since issue No 1, January/March 2002.

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#### **LEGAL CAREER**

In May 1975 he passed the competitive examination to the School for the Judiciary, for the profession of judge, where he has been active without interruption since 18 September 1975.

In April 1976 he was appointed Judge of the Court of First Instance and Examining Judge in Arenas de San Pedro (Ávila), performing the same role, in extension of his jurisdiction, in Talavera de la Reina (Toledo).

In April 1978 he was appointed Judge of the Court of First Instance and Examining Judge in Navalcarnero (Madrid), performing the same role in extension of his jurisdiction in San Lorenzo de El Escorial (Madrid).

In September 1980 he was appointed Judge of the Court of First Instance and Examining Judge in Tarancón (Cuenca).

In March 1981 he was promoted to the category of Magistrate and appointed Examining Magistrate-Judge No 2 in San Sebastian, also acting as a replacement for Examining Judges Nos 1 and 3 and Judges of the Court of First Instance Nos 1 and 2 in that city.

In September 1981 he was appointed Examining Magistrate-Judge No 17 in Madrid.

On 14 September 1983 he was appointed as a Magistrate by the governing body of the General Council of the Judiciary, as a result of the open competition announced in the Official Journal of the State on 26 July 1983, and designated Deputy Head of the Institutional Relations Service.

In January 1983 he was appointed by the Ministry of Justice as an expert representing Spain at the Council of Europe in Strasbourg, on the Committee of Experts on Victims in Social and Criminal Policy.

On 10 and 11 June 1985 he took part, with the delegation of senior Spanish magistrates, presided over by the President of the Supreme Court and of the General Council of the Judiciary, in the study trip to the Court of Justice of the European Communities in Luxembourg.

From 4 to 14 December 1985 he attended, as the representative of the Ministry of Justice of Spain, the conference in Luxembourg on the preparation of the Convention and Protocols on Community patents.

In March 1986 he was appointed by the governing body of the General Council of the Judiciary as a member of the examining commission for the open competition to fill vacancies for magistrates, convened by order of the Ministry of Justice on 7 February 1986.

On 27 February 1987 he was appointed legal secretary at the Court of Justice of the European Communities.

In July 1988 he was appointed Director of the private office of the President of the General Council of the Judiciary, a post in which he was established in November 1990.

In September 1992 he attended, as a Spanish expert, the second meeting of Presidents of Supreme Courts of Justice of the southern cone of America, held in Sucre (Bolivia).

On 20 November 1992, by agreement with the Council of Ministers, he was appointed ad hoc judge of the European Court of Human Rights, for the Ruiz-Mateos case.

On 1 January 1995, by joint agreement of the Governments of the Member States, he was appointed Advocate-General to the Court of Justice of the European Communities, and was re-appointed by a decision of the representatives of the Governments of the Member States on 27 May 1997.

By agreement of the governing body of the General Council of the Judiciary on 20 November 1996, he was appointed Magistrate at the Third Chamber of the Supreme Court, with special status for the duration of his duties as Advocate-General at the Court of Justice of the European Communities.

Since 6 October 2000 he has been First Advocate-General at the Court of Justice of the European Communities.

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He has given numerous LECTURES, and directed and organised LEGAL COURSES, especially on European Community law and administrative law, at various institutions such as the Centre for University Studies (CEU) in Madrid, the University of Santiago de Compostela, the School of Diplomacy, the European Union of Lawyers, the Colegio Mayor Universitario San Pablo de Madrid, the Navarra Legal Council, the Polytechnic University of Madrid, the School for the Judiciary, the Mirna Mach Foundation in Guatamala, the Atheneum of Mahón (Menorca), the Generalidad de Cataluña and the Patronato Catalán Pro Europa de Barcelona, the University of Alcalá de Henares, the Murcia School of Legal Practice, the School of Public Finance of the Ministry of the Economy and Finances, the School of Legal Practice of the Universidad Complutense de Madrid, the Centre for Higher Studies of Alicante, the University of Granada, the Free University of Brussels, the Bar Associations of Madrid, La Coruña, Zaragoza, Lille and Oporto, the Civil Engineering College, the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Martinique, the University of Nanterre (Paris), the Escuela Libre de Derecho y Economía de Madrid, the University of La Laguna de Tenerife, the University of Extremadura, the Madrid Centre for Constitutional Studies, and the Court of Justice of the Cartagena Agreement in Bogotá, Barquisimeto and Margarita. He also took part in courses on Community law organised by the General Council of the Judiciary in Granada, Burgos, Madrid, Valencia, Zaragoza, Barcelona, Sevilla, Albacete, Las Palmas and Santa Cruz de Tenerife; the Community law courses given by the ICADE (Catholic Institute for Senior business management) and the CEOE (Employers' Federation), and the seminars of the IESE (Institute for Advanced Business Studies) in Madrid; in the master's degree courses in European Community law at the Universidad Carlos III de Madrid and the Universidad Complutense de Madrid; and in the summer courses at the Universidad Complutense de El Escorial and the Universidad Menéndez Pelayo in Santander, Comunidad Autónoma de Madrid, the French National Magistrates' School, the University of Deusto, the University of Castilla-La Mancha in Toledo, the Universidad Pompeu i Fabra, the Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona, the University of Buenos Aires, the Universidad Ramón Llull-ESADE in Barcelona, etc.