## Tribute



Justice Florentino P. Feliciano (1928-2015)

Justice Florentino Feliciano passed away in Manila on December 15, 2015 at the age of 87. Justice Feliciano was one of the most eminent international lawyers in our time. Born in a renowned academic family of the Philippines, Justice Feliciano studied law at the University of the Philippines and got his LL.M. and JSD degree in international law at Yale Law School under the supervision of legendary international law scholar Myres S. McDougall. Dr. Feliciano had a wide-ranging and highly successful legal career as a judge, corporate lawyer, law professor and international arbitrator. He was one of the few man who has embraced such a wide variety of legal appointments in a single lifetime.

Justice Feliciano was appointed to the Appellate Body of the WTO in 1995. While serving as the Chairman of the Appellate Body in 2000-01, particularly, he was admired by many for his ability to transform human knowledge into practice as "an incredibly principled, rigorous, and fierce jurist."

Justice Feliciano was truly a personification of judicial wisdom as well as great role model of younger generations. As a mentor of Journal of East Asia and International Law, he appeared in its Volume 2, Number 2 being interviewed for *International Lawyer: A Dialogue with Judicial Wisdom*. We were very much impressed by his integrity, lofty vision, and gentle spirit. We express our sincere condolences and pray for his soul.

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