

## **Justice Melville Baird**

### **Chairman, Trinidad & Tobago (T&T) Integrity Commission**

Justice Melville Baird had a legal career. He practiced as a Barrister-of-Law and was then appointed Magistrate of Trinidad & Tobago. Later Promoted to Senior Magistrate, he was thereafter appointed Chief Magistrate of Trinidad & Tobago.

Justice Baird was then appointed High Court Judge of the Supreme Court, and on his retirement was appointed International Judge by the General Assembly of the United Nations. He presided at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia in The Hague, for seven years. There he tried cases of war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide committed during the war in Bosnia and the war in Kosovo.

On his retirement as International Judge, Justice Baird returned to Trinidad and was subsequently appointed Chairman of the Integrity Commission, a position he currently holds.