## Judge Mohammad Abou Zeid

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## **Education:**

• 2018 Higher Institute for Islamic studies (PHD dissertation on child protection in Lebanon between civil and religious courts)

- 2009 Supreme Judicial Islamic council (Graduated as a judge)
- 2007 Higher Institute for Islamic studies (Contemporary Islamic thought)
- 1999 University of Saint Joseph (MA Comparative Religions)
- 1997 Beirut Islamic University (BA Islamic law "sharia")

## **Occupation and Experiences:**

- The senior Judge in the Family court of Saida/Lebanon (since 2010).
- Judge at the "Islamic Sunni Courts" (since 2009).
- Professor at Jinan University (since 2007) as a lecturer in Contemporary Islamic Thoughts, Comparative Religions, Personal Status Laws, Procedures of lawsuits in Islamic Courts.
- Member of "child protection network".



- Imam, preacher, religious scholar at the official Islamic administration in Lebanon (since 1994)
- Member in the Writing Committee of "Kuwait Encyclopedia for the Islamic World and Muslim Minorities" (2011-2013)
- Member and activist in several Lebanese NGOs concerned in culture, education, development, relief, peace Building, reconciliation.
- Academic researcher and lecturer visited and lectured at many Lebanese and American universities (Stanford, Macalester...)
- Author, coauthor, and a translator.

Publications: Published 18 books and many studies and researches in Arabic related to issues of: Jihad and Islamic extremism, peace Building and reconciliation from an Islamic perspective, contemporary Islamic thought, law, and Islamic-Christian dialogue.

Three books were translated to English:

- 1. The America I have seen (Sponsored by "World Vision", USA)
- 2. Copenhagen in Arabic eyes (Sponsored by "Danmission", Danmark)
- 3. From The Heart of the Syrian Crisis (Sponsored by Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Germany)