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### PERSONAL

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Name: Adnan Mahmoud Al Assaf.  
Date of Birth: 24<sup>th</sup> – July – 1973.  
Place of Birth: Amman, Jordan.  
Nationality: Jordanian.  
Marital: Married.  
State: Amman-Jordan.

### EDUCATION

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1998 – 2001 **The University of Birmingham**  
Birmingham, UK

- Ph.D. in Islamic Studies.

1994–1997 **Al al-Bayt University**  
Mafrq, Jordan

- MA in Islamic Jurisprudence and its Principles.

1990–1994 **The University of Jordan**  
Amman, Jordan

- BA in Islamic Jurisprudence and legislation.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

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- A PhD scholarship offered by University of Jordan and University of Birmingham, to carry out a doctoral research at the University of Birmingham, 1999-2000.
- A Fulbright scholarship to attend an international seminar in Boston College - USA for four weeks (14<sup>th</sup> Sep.-12<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2002). This scholarship was sponsored by Fulbright commission which relate to the US department of state.
- A Fulbright scholarship to teach at W&L University, Virginia - USA for one semester (September-December 2005). This teaching experience was also funded by the US department of state.

## TEACHING AND ADMISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

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- September 2014 – on going; a **full professor** in the department of Islamic Jurisprudence and its Foundations.
- August 2013 –September, 2015, **the Director** of the Islamic Cultural Centre, at the University of Jordan.
- October 2010 – September, 2011, **the Dean** for the Institute.
- February, 2010 – October, 2010, **the Deputy Dean** for the Institute of the Study of Islam in the Contemporary World – University of Jordan.
- February 2010 - September 2012, an **associate professor** in the Institute of the Study of Islam in the Contemporary World, a shared appointment – University of Jordan.
- October, 2007 – December, 2009, a **Deputy Dean for Communication and Development Affairs** in the same Faculty.
- September, 2006 – September, 2007, an **assistant Dean for Development** in the Faculty of *Shari'ah*.
- November, 2008 – February 2010, an **associate professor** in the Faculty of International Studies, a shared appointment – University of Jordan.
- August, 2008 – September 2014, an **associate professor** in the same Faculty.
- August, 2002 – August, 2008, an **assistant professor** in the same Faculty.
- December, 2001 – August 2002, a **lecturer** of Islamic Law (*Fiqh*) at the Faculty of *Shari'ah* (Islamic Studies), The University of Jordan, Amman - Jordan.

The following teaching experience will provide the background for the above.

### **I. Undergraduate Program:**

1. Islamic Systems (both in Arabic and English).
2. Bequest and Inheritance Law in Islam.
3. Contemporary Financial Transactions in Islam.
4. Introduction to Islamic Law.
5. The History of the Muslim World. 2005
6. Personal Statuses in Islamic Jurisprudence.
7. Islamic Studies in English.
8. Methods of Research in Islamic Jurisprudence and its Principles.
9. Ablution, Prayer and Fasting in Islamic Jurisprudence.

### **II. Postgraduate Program of Islamic Judicial System: (in Arabic)**

1. Bequest and Inheritance in Islamic *Shari'ah*.

### **III. Postgraduate Program of Islamic Jurisprudence and its Foundations: (in Arabic)**

1. Marriage and Divorce in Islamic Jurisprudence.
2. Methods of Research in Islamic Jurisprudence and its Foundations.
3. The Objectives of Islamic Legislation, *Maqasid al-Shari'ah*.

### **III. Postgraduate Programs of Islamic Studies and of Human Rights and Development: (in English)**

1. *Da'wah* and the Spread of Islam.
2. Islam and Contemporary Issues.
4. Islam and the West.
5. Islamic Systems.

6. Islam and Human Rights. MA course, Faculty of Law, 2008.
7. Methods of Research in Islamic Studies.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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- Contracts, financial Contemporary transactions and banking in Islamic jurisprudence (law).
- Islamic maritime law.
- Islamic inheritance and bequest law.
- Principle of Islamic Jurisprudence.
- Islam and Human Rights.
- Islamic Family system.
- Islamic cultural and intellectual studies.

## PUBLISHED BOOKS AND RESEARCH:

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- *Al-Salam* Sale Contract and its Contemporary Applications; 'A Comparative Study in Islamic Jurisprudence and Statute Law'. (A book), Dar Juhaynah Publications, Amman, 2004.
- *al-Najash* and its Contemporary Applications; 'A Comparative Study in Islamic Jurisprudence and Jordanian Law'. Published in DIRASAT, Jordan University, vol. 32, no. 2. Nov. 2005.
- The Methodology of Research of al-Shafi'i in his Book al-Risalah. Published in MU'TAH for Studies and Research, MU'TAH University, Jordan, vol. 20, no. 5, 2005.
- *Al-Mahkum fih* in accordance with the Objectives of Islamic Legislation'. Published in Journal of *Sharia & Law*, United Arab Emirates University, UAE, no. 33, Jan. 2008.
- Ascertaining the Effective Cause, *Tahqiq al-Manat*, and its Applications in Contemporary Financial Transaction Jurisprudence'. DIRASAT, University of Jordan, vol. 36, no. 1. May. 2009.
- The Legitimate and illegitimate Foods and their Contemporary Applications; 'A Comparative Applied Study in the view of *Surat al-Ma'idah*'. In association with Dr. Jamilah al-Rifa'i, Jordan Journal of Islamic Studies, Al al-Bayt University, Jordan, vol. 5. no, 2/A, May. 2009.
- *Al-Istikhlaf* in accordance with the Objectives of Islamic Legislation. A Critical

*Fiqhi Contemporary Approach*'. Journal of *Shari'ah* and Islamic Studies. Kuwait University, Kuwait, Year 25, no. 80, Mar. 2010.

- "Extra Insurance Budget, *al-Fa'id al-Ta'miniyy*: Its Rulings, and the Standards for Calculating and Distributing it". Accepted for publishing, Jordan Journal of Islamic Studies, Al al-Bayt University, Jordan, April 2011.
- The Methodology of Utilizing Teaching Islamic Law and its Principles in Enhancing Moderation and Tolerance. The Scientific European Journal, special edition June, 2013.
- Donation Contracts in Islamic Law. Stated as reviewed distinguished book by the Deanship of Scientific Research, and Promotion and Appointing Committee, The University of Jordan, September, 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014, (designed for the readers of the age 11-18).
- A Member in a National Team Group Research, Conducting a full Research and Act Plan on: Challenging Terrorism and Extremism in Jordan: An Islamic Perspective. Funded by The Jordanian Scientific Research Fund, 2015.
- The Methodologies of Contemporary Islamic Legal Studies: The Positives and Negatives. 1<sup>st</sup> Conference for Islamic Studies and its role to serve humanity, Kula Lumpur – Malaysia, December, 13-14, 2015.
- Challenging the Phenomena of Campus Violence at the University of Jordan: An Islamic Social Psychological Assessment, funded by the Deanship of Scientific Research, at the same University, ongoing research 2016-2017.

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## **ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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### **Conferences and Workshops:**

- *A Delegate Speaker representing The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to Brunei Dar al salaam, by the nomination of the Prime Minister of Jordan in the declaration of the new Islamic Punishment Law in the country, 22-28 October, 2013.*
- *1<sup>st</sup> Annual INTERNATIONAL INTERDISCIPLINARY CONFERENCE. 24-26 April 2013, Azores Islands, Portugal.* Paper entitled: "Methodology of Utilizing the Teaching of Islamic Law and its Principles in Enhancing Moderation: "A Critical Study for the Concept and Applications". Funded by Scientific Research Support Fund – Jordan.
- *An International Workshop on Comparative Case Studies in Divorce Law, Istanbul, Turkey — September 17-18, 2011.* A paper entitled: "Special Human Rights Amendments concerning Divorce in Jordanian Personal Statuses Code of

2010. An Analytical Assessment".

- Youth for Peace, a conference held in Amman, 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2010. I delivered a lecture which is entitled: "Coexistence from an Islamic Perspective".
- "Cooperative Islamic Insurance: It's Scope, Contemporary dimensions, and the position of Islamic *Shari'ah* from it. International Islamic *Fiqh* Council – Jeddah. An International conference held in association with the University of Jordan – Amman, 11-13 April, 2010. I was a member of the organising committee and upon the request of the council, I delivered a research paper on "Extra Insurance Budget" from the Islamic perspective.
- Harmonisation between Islamic *Shari'ah* and Jordanian Law", A Speech Delivered on behalf of the Dean of the Faculty of *Shari'ah* – University of Jordan to: 4TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON HARMONISATION OF CIVIL LAW AND SHARI'AH, Venue: Attorney General's Chambers of Malaysia, Putrajaya, MALAYSIA, 8 - 9 December, 2009.
- Conference of Research Proposals concerning Contemporary Issues in Shari'ah and Law. 14-15 December 2008; Faculty of Shari'ah - University of Jordan, in association with Faculty of Ahmad Ibraheem – International Islamic University - Malaysia. Paper Presented: "Financial Maritime Transactions in Islamic Jurisprudence".
- "Seminar of Evaluating the Performance of the Graduates of the Faculties of *Shari'ah* in the Market of Work". 8<sup>th</sup>, July 2008; Faculty of Shari'ah - University of Jordan.
- "The First Conference for Universities' Theses Research". 12-14<sup>th</sup>, May 2008; Faculty of Graduate Studies - University of Jordan.
- "The Academic Day for the Masters Program of Research Human Rights and Development, December 2007; Faculty of Graduate Studies - University of Jordan. Paper Presented: "Islam and Human Rights".
- International Conference of Contemporary Financial Transactions from Islamic Perspective, 10-12 August 2004; Al-Zarqa' Private University, Al-Zarqa'-Jordan.
- "Course for Qualifying the Academic Staff Members". This course took place at The Human Resources Centre - The University of Jordan, for 8 weeks (44 hours), in the period from April-June 2003.
- The Fulbright American Studies Institute on "Religion in Contemporary America: Church, State and Society". This seminar was held at Boston College - USA in the

period from Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September to Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2002.

- JCM Standing Conference of Jews, Christians and Muslims in Europe, International Student Conference 19-26 March 2001; Education in Our Faith Communities I.
- National Postgraduate Workshop on Islamic Research: Researching the Qur'an as a Primary Source. Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October 1999. Westhill College – University of Birmingham, Birmingham - UK.
- The Association of Muslim Social Sciences (UK) 1st Annual Conference 30-31 October 1999. The University of London.
- The 1999 International Academic Conference on Islamic Jerusalem; Muslim Christian Relations in Jerusalem: Past, Present and Future. Tuesday 7 September 1999. Organized by: Islamic Research Academy at (SOAS) University of London, London – UK.
- National Postgraduate Workshop on Islamic Research (in general). Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November 1998. Westhill College – University of Birmingham, Birmingham - UK.

## COMPUTER SKILLS

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Essential software packages for the daily uses such as: Microsoft Word and Internet applications.

## LANGUAGES

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- Arabic: (Mother tongue).
- English: Fluent.

## REFERENCES

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- 1- Prof. Jorgen Neilsen: Director of the Centre for European Islamic Thought. The University of Copenhagen. E-mail: [jsn@teol.ku.dk](mailto:jsn@teol.ku.dk)
- 2- Dr. Jabal Buaben: The Universiti Brunei Darussalam. <http://www.ubd.edu.bn/staff/academic/jabal/>. Pre-director of Centre for the Study of Islam and Christian - Muslim Relations, the University of Birmingham, Birmingham-UK. [Kweku.buaben@gmail.com](mailto:Kweku.buaben@gmail.com)