## **Biographical date form of candidates to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women**

Name: Al-Zayed, Dalal

Nationality: Bahraini

Date and place of birth: 13 January 1968

Working languages: Arabic and English

## **Current position/function:**

- Member of the Bahraini Shura Council
- Head of Legislative & Legal Affairs Committee
- Vice President of Legal Affairs and Human Right Committee of Arab Parliament

## Main professional activities:

- Member of the Legislative and Legal Affairs Committee.
- Issued a number of guidance booklets regarding practicing elections and candidacy.
- Founded Al Zayed Law Firm in 1993 for legal consultations, Arbitrations and Mediation.
- Admitted to both the Court of Cessation and Constitutional Court.
- Admitted to the Center of Commercial Arbitration for the GCC Countries.
- Founded Al Zayed Center for Consultancy & Training since 2013.
- Member of Legal Group of Arab Women Organization during 2003-2012.
- Member of Shura Council since 2006 until the present day.
- President of the Legislative and Legal Committee of Shura Council from 2011 until the present day.
- Vice President, Legislative and Legal Committee of Shura Council during 2006-2010.
- Member of Arab Parliament since 2014.
- Participates in works, seminars and conferences related to the Legal and Legislative Field.
- Member of the Sub-Committee on Human Rights in the Arab Parliament.
- Member of the joint committee that follows up the development of mechanisms of Arab joint action represented in the reform of the League of Arab States and its organizations.
- Member of the committee formed by the Bureau of the Arab Parliament to place the staff of the Secretariat on the new staff structure and study the situation of contractors.
- Legal consultant for Arab Parliament since 12 July 2017.
- Member of Youth Affairs Committee of Shura Council from 2014 until the present day.

# Educational background:

• LLB, Kuwait University

#### Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the Convention on

#### the Elimination of all forms Discrimination against Women:

- Expert in Political Empowerment for Women.
- Provided training for women candidates for the parliamentary and municipal elections in the years 2002, 2006, 2010 & 2014 in collaboration with Supreme Council of Women and United Nations Development Program.
- President of Women and Child Committee of Shura Council from 2006- 2010.
- Member of Supreme Council for Women since 2010 until present day.
- Participates in voluntary works related to Family Matters, and particularly Woman Issues.
- Member of the National team of the Commission follow-up to the Convention against Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), 2008.
- Member of Coordinating Committee between Parliamentarians and the Supreme Council for Women.
- Member of Arab Women's Legal Network.
- Member of the Legal Advisory Board for Parliamentary and Municipal Women candidates Elections of 2006 within the Political Empowerment program arrange by the Supreme Council for Women and UNDP.
- Appointed by Royal Order as Member of a Committee to deft a unified Family Law.
- Member of the National team in-charge of discussing the Report about The Kingdom of Bahrain with the CEDAW Committee in the United Nations in 2008.
- Expert in training of Women Candidates in the Parliamentary by Supplementary Elections for the year 2011 within the Political Empowerment of the Supreme Council for Women program.
- Expert for the Political Empowerment program of training Women Candidates for the Parliamentary and Municipal Elections in 2014 within the Political Empowerment program of the Supreme Council for Women and the Bahrain Institute for Political Development.

#### List of most recent publications in the field of discrimination against women and

#### advancement of their human rights:

- The Guidebook for Parliamentarians was issued in 2010.
- The Guidebook for Candidates for Parliamentary Elections was issued in 2014.
- The Guidebook for members of the House of Representatives was issued in 2014.