

JUSTICE SUCCESS STORY

Granting Justice to Maheen for her Daughter's maintenance

Maheen, a mother of a young girl, faced multiple challenges after her marriage. The first step of her challenge was being mistreated by her husband and not being allowed to visit her own parents which is commonly called the 'maika' of a girl.

Things took a turn for Maheen when she was insulted in front of her relatives at her own sister's wedding and later, she was thrown out. Maheen filed a habeas corpus petition which angered her husband even more. Two days later, Maheen's husband sent a divorce deed instead of any sort of reconciliation.

Maheen, who was financially broke with the additional responsibility of her daughter, had nowhere to go for help initially. Through a friend, she approached the Legal Aid Society in October 2021 where she sought assistance in the maintenance and recovery of her dowry articles, as stated in Family Suit No. 2516/2021.

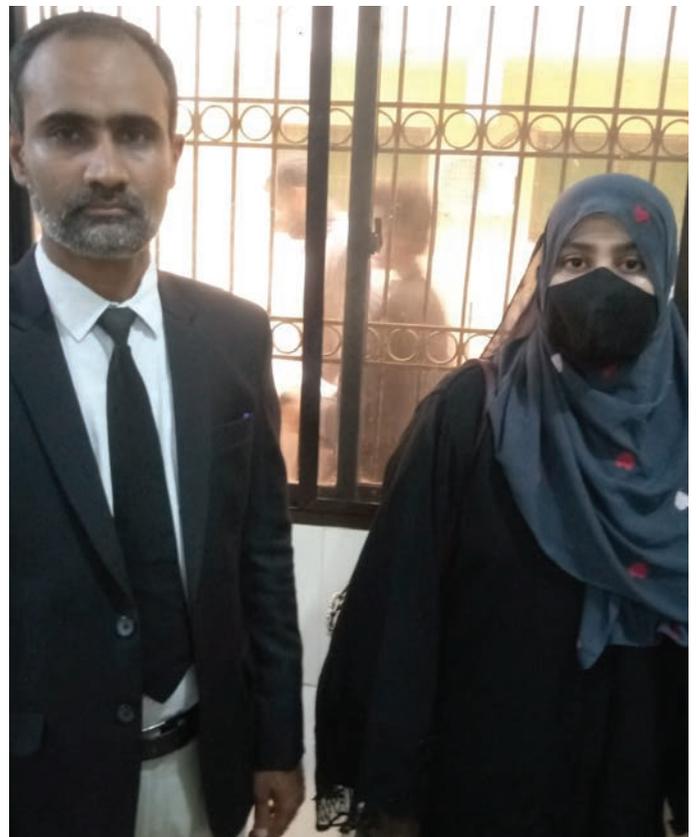
Her circumstances took a challenging turn when her ex-husband presented his written statement in court. However, with our unwavering support, Maheen's case was successfully decreed on 14th February 2023.

But justice is sometimes a two-step dance. Although the initial decree was in her favor, Maheen felt the maintenance order of Rs. 5000/- per month was insufficient, given her circumstances and the country's inflation rate. Determined to achieve a fairer resolution, Maheen along with our lawyer, decided to appeal for an enhancement in the maintenance amount.

Under the banner of Appeal No. 45/2023, the case found its way to the District Judge South. Recognizing the intricacies of the situation, the case was transferred to the 7th Additional

Sessions Judge South in Karachi.

On the 18th of July 2023, after a rigorous review and the untiring efforts of the our team advocating for Maheen, the Honorable Court acknowledged the economic realities of the country. In a landmark decision, the court enhanced Maheen's monthly maintenance from Rs. 5000/- to Rs. 8000/-, backdated to the filing of the original suit.



*Pseudo names are used to protect privacy