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### **1. Personal information**

- Full name: **Raimo** Otto Kalervo **LAHTI**
- Born in Jyväskylä rural commune (Finland), January 12, 1946.
- Parents: Farmer Lauri Lahti and Helvi Rebekka Östman.
- Married since 1969 to Senior Judge, Court of Appeal, Varpu Kekomäki.
- Children: 1) daughter Tuuli Lahti (born 1972), M.Sc. (Geogr.), married to Kim Nordlund, M.Sc. (Eng.), grandchildren Kiia (born 2002), Fanni (born 2004) and Leo (born 2007); 2) son Lauri Lahti (born 1975), M.Sc. (Computer Sc.)

### **2. Education and training**

- Master of Laws (LL.M.) 1966,
- Licentiate of Laws (LL.Lic.) 1967,
- Master of Social Sciences (M.Soc.Sc.; major in sociology) 1971,
- Doctor of Laws (LL.D.; doctoral thesis in criminal sciences) 1974;
- all degrees at the University of Helsinki.
- Trained on the bench 1971.

### **3. Career summary: full-time jobs**

- Research Assistant for Professor V. Merikoski (Professor of Administrative Law), University of Helsinki, 1966.
- Assistant in Criminal Law, University of Helsinki, 1967-70.
- Acting Legislative Counsellor, Ministry of Justice, 1970.
- Circuit Court Clerk and Deputy Circuit Judge, 1970-71.
- Researcher in Criminal Sciences, Research Council for Social Sciences of the Academy of Finland, 1970-73.
- Acting Professor of Criminal Law, University of Turku, 1974-75.

- Professor of Criminal Law, University of Turku, 1976-79.
- Professor of Criminal Law, University of Helsinki, since December 1, 1979.
- Senior Scholar, Academy of Finland, for sabbatical periods in 1979, 1984, 1989, 1994-95 and 2004-05.
- Visiting Scholar (Research Professor), Law School of the University of Wisconsin-Madison (USA), 1983.

#### **4. Expert tasks in legislative drafting, public administration and judiciary**

- Secretary of Committee on Abortion, Sterilization and Castration Legislation, appointed by the Council of State, 1967-68.
- Expert Opinions for Parliamentary Committees and the Ministry of Justice, 1969->.
- Permanent Expert for the National Board of Health, 1970-91; Permanent Expert for the National Authority of Medicolegal Affairs, 1992-2008.
- Member of the Task Force on the Criminal Law Reform, appointed by the Ministry of Justice, 1980-99; Chairman of the Working Party on Economic Criminality, appointed by the said task force, 1980-91; Chairman of the Working Party on Crimes against the Embryo, the Foetus and the Genetic Integrity, 1988-89, 98-99, and 2007.
- Chairman of the Commission on the Legal Safeguards in Health Care, appointed by the Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, 1980-82.
- Member of the Delegations appointed by the Finnish Government for the Seventh, Eighth and Ninth United Nations Congresses on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders: Milan, Italy, 26 August - 6 September 1985; Havana, Cuba, 27 August - 7 September 1990; and Cairo, Egypt, 29 April - 8 May 1995.
- Member of the Finnish Delegation at the 40th Session of the Human Rights Committee, when the third periodic report of Finland on the implementation of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights was under consideration, Geneva, 25-26 October 1990; member of the Working Party for the preparation of that report, appointed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1987-89.
- Chairman of the Working Party on the Legal Aspects of the Hunger Strike of a Prisoner, appointed by the Ministry of Justice, 1990-91.
- Member of the High Court of Impeachment, 1994-2000.
- Member in the Advisory Group of the Finnish Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the preparation of the establishment of the International Criminal Court (ICC), 1995-98; and for the ratification of the ICC's Statute, 1998-2000.
- Finnish Delegate in the Intergovernmental Expert Group on Extradition, convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations: Siracusa, Italy, 10-13 December 1996.
- Member of the National Advisory Board in Health Care Ethics, 1998-2002.
- Expert in the preparatory meeting for the United Nations Workshop on "Enhancing International Law Enforcement Cooperation, including Extradition", Helsinki: 20-21 October 2004.

- Elected as ad litem Judge to the International Criminal court for the former Yugoslavia by the United Nations General Assembly, 2005-09.

#### **5. Career-related tasks at domestic universities**

- Lecturer in Sociology of Law, University of Helsinki, 1970-72 and 1977-78; Lecturer in Criminology, University of Helsinki, 1975-79.
- Vice Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Turku, 1976-79.
- Member of the Advisory Delegation, Institute for Human Rights at Åbo Akademi University, 1987-2002.
- Head of the Department of Criminal Law and Judicial Procedure, University of Helsinki, 1989-94; Head of the Department of Criminal Law, Judicial Procedure and General Jurisprudential Studies, University of Helsinki, 1995-98.
- Organizer in charge of the "Centenary of the Finnish Penal Code", International Research Colloquium, University of Helsinki, 24-27 September 1990.
- Director of the international LL.M. diploma programme (in English), Faculty of Law, University of Helsinki, 1992-94; responsible teacher of the major subject "Comparative and international criminal law and criminal justice" within this programme, 1992-2009.
- Finnish national coordinator of the ERASMUS student exchange programme for intensive courses on European Criminal Law and Criminal Sciences (with the support of European Commission): ICP-(92-)E-1161/10, 1992-97; responsible coordinator of a similar SOCRATES intensive programme: 29604-IC-1-96-1-FI-ERASMUS-EPS-1, at the University of Helsinki in 1997-98 and 1998-99.
- Responsible teacher in Medical Law and Biolaw, University of Helsinki, 1997-2011.
- Representative of the University of Helsinki (project manager) in the TEMPUS PHARE Joint European Project S\_JEP-12396-97 for the "Development of an integrated academic and professional studies programme with a criminal law orientation and corresponding to the EC university standards" at the Police Academy of Latvia, 1998-99.
- Scientific director of the SOCRATES intensive programme / Helsinki Summer School 2000 "Bioethics and Medical Law in the New Millennium", University of Helsinki, 26 July - 16 August 2000.
- Member of the Consistory (Senate), University of Helsinki, 2001-03; Vice Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Helsinki, 2001-03.
- Deputy Member, National Board for the Nomination of Judges, 2005-10.

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#### **6. Various tasks in scientific administration**

- Member of the Scandinavian Research Council for Criminology, appointed by the Ministry of Justice, 1983-2000.
- Member of the Board of Directors, National Research Institute of Legal Policy, appointed by the Council of State, 1986-95.

- Member of the International Advisory Board of the European Institute of Crime Prevention and Control, affiliated with the United Nations, (HEUNI, Helsinki), appointed by the Council of State, 1993->.
- Member of the Research Council for Culture and Society, Academy of Finland, appointed by the Council of State, 1995-97.
- Expert opinions on the applicants of the professorship in criminal law for the University of Lund in 1995; on the applicants of the professorship in criminology for the University of Stockholm in 1996; on the applicant of the professorship in medical law for the University of Uppsala in 2003; on the applicant of the professorship in criminology for the University in Tartu in 2006; and on the applicant of the professorship in criminal law for the University of Copenhagen in 2007.
- Member of the Nomination committee (Berufungskommission) for electing a new Director for the Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law (Freiburg i.Br., Germany), 2001-02.

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### **7. Editorial and other tasks in scientific publishing**

- Editor-in-chief of "Lakimies", the legal journal of the Finnish Lawyers' Association, 1991-99; Chairman of the Publishing Board of the same association, 2000-04.
- Member of the Editorial Board, Medicine and Law, World Association for Medical Law (Belgium), 1979-2005.
- Member of the Editorial Board, Scandinavian Studies in Criminology (Oslo), 1985-96.
- Member of the Advisory Board, Studies on Crime and Crime Prevention (Stockholm), 1992-98.
- Chairman of the Nordic Publishing Board in Social Sciences, appointed by the Academy of Finland, 1997-98.

### **8. Tasks in non-governmental scientific or professional organizations and in international conferences** (as for conference papers, see

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- Member of the Board of Directors, Scandinavian Association for Sociology of Law (Denmark), 1970-74; Chairman of the Finnish Society for Legal and Social Sciences ("Oikeus- ja yhteiskuntatieteellinen yhdistys"), 1970-73.
- Member of the Board of Directors in the Finnish Section of the International Association of Penal Law (AIDP, France), 1978->; Chairman of the Finnish Section, 1987->. Member of the Board of Directors of the AIDP, 1987->; Vice President of the AIDP, 1994->.
- Chairman of the Finnish Society for Medical Law and Ethics ("Suomen Lääkintäoikeuden ja -etiikan Seura"), 1980-81 and 1984-85.
- Member of the Board of Directors, International Academy of Law and Mental Health (Canada), 1984-87.
- Chairman of the Finnish Section of the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ, Switzerland), 1985-1989; Member of the Board of Directors in the Finnish Section, 1985-92.

- Rapporteur General at the Section II: Criminal Law and Modern Bio-Medical Techniques, the XIVth International Congress of Penal Law, Vienna: 2-7 October 1989.
- Rapporteur at the XXth Colloquy of European Law, "Law and Moral Dilemmas Affecting Life and Death", Glasgow, Scotland: 10-12 September 1990.
- Organizer in charge of the Preparatory Colloquium of the International Association of Penal Law (AIDP) on the question "Regionalization of International Criminal Law and the Protection of Human Rights in International Cooperation in Criminal Proceedings", Helsinki, 2-6 September 1992.
- Member of the ILA (International Law Association, UK) Committee on Extradition and Human Rights, 1992-97; Member of the Board of Directors in the Finnish Section of the ILA, 1993->; Member of the ILA committee on International Criminal Court 2005-10.
- President at the Section IV: Regionalization of International Criminal Law and the Protection of Human Rights in International Cooperation in Criminal Proceedings, the XVth International Congress of Penal Law, Rio de Janeiro: 4-10 September 1994.
- Member of the Board of Directors, The International Society for the Reform of Criminal Law (Canada), 1995-2010.
- Chairman of the Finnish Association for European Criminal Law (within the network of the European Lawyers' Associations for the Protection of the Financial Interests of the European Communities), 1995->.
- Organizer in charge of the conference "On Judicial and Administrative Cooperation and Mutual Assistance in the Common European Legal Space" (Directorate for Financial Control, European Commission, and the Finnish Association for European Criminal Law), Helsinki, 26-27 June 1997.
- Chairman of the Finnish Association for Criminal Sciences ("Suomen Kriminalistiyhdistys - Kriminalistföreningen i Finland"), 1998-2005. Organizer in charge of the XIIIth Conference of the Nordic Associations for Criminal Sciences, Helsinki, 10-12 June 2004.
- National reporter at the Section IV: The Criminal Justice System Facing the Challenge of Organised Crime, International Cooperation; Preparatory Colloquium of XVIth International Congress on Penal Law, Utrecht: 13-17 May 1998.
- Chairman of the Finnish Lawyers' Association (the leading scientific organization of Finnish jurists: "Suomalainen Lakimiesyhdistys"), 1999-2001.
- Chairman of the International Scientific Committee of the 13th World Congress on Medical Law (World Association for Medical Law), Helsinki: 6-10 August 2000.
- National Reporter at the Section IV: Concurrent National and International Criminal Jurisdiction and the Principle "Ne bis in idem"; Preparatory Colloquium of XVIIth International Congress on Penal Law, Berlin: 1-4 June 2003.
- National Co-Reporter at the Section I: The Expanding Forms of Preparation and Participation; Preparatory Colloquium of XVIIIth International Congress on Penal Law: Coruña: 5-8 September 2007.

- Organizer in charge of the Second Biennial Meeting of the Nordic Network for Research in Biomedical Law, Helsinki, 5-7 June 2008.
- Member of the Board of Directors, International Society of Social Defence and Humane Criminal Policy (Italy), 2010->

### **9. Scholarships to and guest lectures at foreign universities**

- Scholarship for the purposes of post-graduate studies in law, Universität Münster: June 1966.
- Numerous scientific visits to various Scandinavian countries, since 1967 (speaker in seminars and guest lectures).
- Scientific visits to the Hungarian Academy of Sciences; Budapest: April 1979, April 1990, September 1996, September 2003 and May 2009; Miskolc: September 1996 and September 1999 (speaker in seminars).
- Visiting scholar in London, Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, and Cambridge, Institute of Criminology: June 1981 and June 1988.
- Scientific visits to the "Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin": November 1981, November 1984, September 1993, May 2000, June 2002 and June 2005 (speaker in seminars and guest lectures).
- Visiting scholar in Freiburg i.Br., "Max-Planck-Institut für ausländisches und internationales Strafrecht": January 1982, May 1985, October 1985 and June 1990 (speaker in seminars and guest lectures).
- Visiting scholar at the "Universität Wien, Universitätsinstitut für Strafrecht und Kriminologie": June 1982.
- Visiting scholar (Research Professor) at the Law School of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, the United States of America: the second semester of the 1982-83 academic year (guest lectures).
- Guest lecturer at the University of Warsaw and at the Jagiellonian University of Cracow: September 1985 and June 1989; scientific visit to the Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw: June 1989.
- Guest lecturer at the "Universität Salzburg, Institut für Strafrecht, Strafprozessrecht und Kriminologie": October 1989.
- Scientific visits to the University of Tartu, Faculty of Law: April 1990, October 1994, November 1995, October 2002, October 2006 and September 2008 (speaker in seminars).
- Guest lecturer at the "Johann Wolfgang Goethe -Universität, Fachbereich Rechtswissenschaft", Frankfurt a.M.: June 1990.
- Guest lecturer at the Charles University, Faculty of Law, Prague: October 1990.
- Guest lecturer at the "Universität zu Köln, Kriminalwissenschaftliches Institut", May 1998.
- Guest lecturer at the University of Bologna, Faculty of Law: May 2003.
- Guest lecturer at the University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Law, Slovenia: May 2004.
- Guest lecturer at the Kansai University, Faculty of Law, Osaka, and at the Ritsumeikan University, College of Law, Kyoto, Japan: September 2004.
- Scientific visit to the Herzen State Pedagogical University of Russia, St. Petersburg: October 2010 (conference speaker).

### **10. Honours and awards**

- Medal "SL K": Knight Commander of the Order of the Lion in Finland, bestowed by the President of the Republic on December 6, 2005.
- Medal "SVR R I": Knight I of the Order of the White Rose in Finland, bestowed by the President of the Republic on December 6, 1995.
- Medal "XXX" (for the 30 years' career as a civil servant), bestowed by the President of the Republic of Finland on December 1, 2000.
- Fellowship in the Finnish Academy of Science and Letters, awarded on April 9, 1984.
- Fellowship in the Society for Advanced Legal Studies (FSALS), London, awarded in May 1998.
- Awards for the best articles in "Lakimies", the Journal of the Finnish Lawyers' Association, in the volumes 66 (1968) and 74 (1976).
- Silver Medal of the University of Helsinki, January 12, 2006.
- Medal of the Helsinki Court of Appeal, January 12, 2006.
- Publication in honour of Raimo Lahti on his 60th birthday, January 12, 2006: "Rikosoikeudellisia kirjoituksia VIII Raimo Lahdelle 12.1.2006 omistettu." Publications of the Finnish Lawyers' Association, Series A, No. 268. Helsinki 2006. XII + 559 p. (Bibliography of Raimo Lahti, *ibid.* 541-559.)
- Festschrift in Honour of Raimo Lahti. Edited by Kimmo Nuotio. Forum Iuris, University of Helsinki, Helsinki 2007. VIII + 374 p.
- Prize for the merits in post-graduate education, awarded by the Finnish Lawyers' Association on November 7, 2008.

### [Publications](#)