

JUSTICE HUMAN RIGHTS LAW CONFERENCE 2014

20 October 2014, London



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- KEYNOTE SPEECHES FROM LEADERS IN THE FIELD
- BREAKOUT SESSION UPDATES ON DISABILITY, SURVEILLANCE AND PRIVACY, CRIMINAL LAW, JUDICIAL REVIEW AND IMMIGRATION
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KEYNOTE SPEECHES:

- GARETH PEIRCE, BIRNBERG PEIRCE
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PROGRAMME OF THE DAY

9.00	REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS
9.30	CHAIR'S WELCOME Andrea Coomber , <i>Director, JUSTICE</i>
9.45	MORNING KEYNOTE ADDRESS: 'A VIEW FROM THE FRONT LINES' Gareth Peirce , <i>Birnberg Peirce</i>
10.15	REVIEW OF THE YEAR Nathalie Lieven QC , <i>Landmark Chambers</i>
11.15	COFFEE
11.30	MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS
	1. CRIMINAL LAW AND HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE Chair: Jodie Blackstock , <i>Director of EU and Criminal Justice Policy, JUSTICE</i> Kirsty Brimelow QC , <i>Doughty Street Chambers</i> John Cooper QC , <i>25 Bedford Row</i> Covering the latest statutory developments relevant to practice, including the Crime and Courts Act and the proposals in the Criminal Justice and Courts Bill. From in-camera trials and claims involving alleged unlawful state surveillance to the impact of legal aid reforms upon trials, we discuss the human rights issues relevant to prosecution and defence practice.
	2. DISABILITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE Chair: Angela Truell , <i>Legal Unit, Mind</i> Jenni Richards QC , <i>39 Essex Street</i> Steve Broach , <i>Monckton Chambers</i> It has been a year where the role of the Court of Protection has been in the spotlight. Capacity and liberty has again been at the forefront of recent jurisprudence, with the Supreme Court decision in <i>P & Cheshire West</i> . Disability, dignity and resource allocation reached Strasbourg in <i>McDonald v UK</i> . Practice points, including the impact of changes to legal aid, will be covered by leaders in their field.
	3. HUMAN RIGHTS, IMMIGRATION AND ASYLUM UPDATE Chair: Alison Harvey , <i>Immigration Law Practitioners Association</i> Judith Farbey QC , <i>Doughty Street Chambers</i> Colin Yeo , <i>Garden Court Chambers</i> The Immigration Act 2014 – again – signals 'all-change' for immigration law practitioners. Speakers will cover the key features of the Act, including the controversial attempt to define in primary legislation the public interest in Article 8 ECHR cases, the changes to appeal rights and the provisions on removal. The introduction of a residence test for legal aid in immigration cases is imminent and key practice points in relation to legal aid changes will also be covered.
13.00	LUNCH

14.00	AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS
	4. JUDICIAL REVIEW AND HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE Chair: Angela Patrick , <i>Director of Human Rights Policy, JUSTICE</i> Helen Mountfield QC , <i>Matrix Chambers</i> Martin Chamberlain QC , <i>Brick Court Chambers</i> As new restrictions on legal aid for judicial review take effect and Government proposals to change the face of judicial review procedure are considered in the Criminal Justice and Courts Bill, we consider the key cases of the year and the likely impact of reform for public law practitioners.
	5. CHARTER OR COVENTION: THE LATEST FROM EUROPE Chair: Deba Das , <i>Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer</i> Aidan O'Neill QC , <i>Matrix Chambers</i> Maya Lester , <i>Brick Court Chambers</i> Europe is at the heart of much political and legal discussion this year. Human rights practitioners regularly ask: how can Europe help my client? Leading practitioners before the European Court of Justice and the European Court of Human Rights will workshop the leading cases from the past year, focusing particularly on new practice points for using the Charter of Fundamental Rights or the European Convention on Human Rights.
	6. SECURITY, PRIVACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS Chair: David Anderson QC , <i>Brick Court Chambers</i> Matthew Ryder QC , <i>Matrix Chambers</i> Simon McKay , <i>McKay Law</i> Security issues raise perennial questions about the protection of human rights. This year sees further controversy with litigation focused on the Snowden revelations in courts domestic and international and continuing examination of the effectiveness and legality of the underlying legislative framework in the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 ('RIPA'). From covert policing to data retention, the security and privacy landscape has shifted in 2014.
15.30	TEA

15.45	AFTERNOON KEYNOTE ADDRESS: 'HUMAN RIGHTS LAW: PARLIAMENT, THE COURTS AND POLITICS' Lord Pannick QC , <i>Blackstone Chambers</i>
16.15	PLENARY DEBATE Chair: Andrea Coomber , <i>Director, JUSTICE</i> Simon Hughes MP , <i>Minister for Justice and Civil Liberties</i> Emily Thornberry MP , <i>Shadow Attorney General</i> David Davis MP Anthony Speight QC , <i>4 Pump Court</i> Prof. Conor Gearty , <i>London School of Economics & Matrix</i> In an election year, how the law protects individual rights is again likely to become high profile. Since 2010, political debate has chewed over the future of the Human Rights Act 1998, the European Convention on Human Rights and the UK's relationship with the European Court of Human Rights. We have had the report of the Commission on a Bill of Rights for the UK and, by the time of this conference, Scotland will have voted on whether to remain part of the Union. Politicians and commentators alike have questioned the roles of the Judiciary, Parliament, the Executive, the legal profession and the press when it comes to human rights issues. We pose the question: Do human rights matter on the doorstep?
17.00	CLOSE

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