

JUSTICE HUMAN RIGHTS LAW CONFERENCE 2016

14 OCTOBER 2016, LONDON



- UNMISSABLE HUMAN RIGHTS CPD EVENT FOR 2016
- KEYNOTE SPEECHES FROM LEADERS IN THE FIELD
- BREAKOUT SESSION UPDATES ON EQUALITY, CRIMINAL LAW, JUDICIAL REVIEW, IMMIGRATION AND AND THE LAW AT WAR
- THE LATEST CASE-LAW FROM BOTH STRASBOURG AND LUXEMBOURG
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KEYNOTE SPEECHES FROM:

- THE RT HON. LORD KERR OF TONAGHMORE,
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
- PHILLIPPA KAUFMANN QC,
MATRIX CHAMBERS

PLENARY SESSIONS WITH:

- ALISTAIR CARMICHAEL MP
- SIR KEIR STARMER QC MP
- JONATHAN SWIFT QC,
11 KING'S BENCH WALK

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PROGRAMME OF THE DAY

9.00 REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS

9.30 CHAIR'S WELCOME

Andrea Coomber, Director, JUSTICE

9.45 MORNING KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

'ARTICLE 8 AT WORK: A VIEW ON PRIVATE AND FAMILY LIFE FROM THE SUPREME COURT'

The Rt Hon. Lord Kerr of Tonaghmore, Justice of the Supreme Court

10.15 REVIEW OF THE YEAR

Jonathan Swift QC, 11 King's Bench Walk

11.00 COFFEE

11.30 MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS

1. CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE

Chair: **Zoe Chapman**, Legal Researcher, JUSTICE

Kirsty Brimelow QC, Doughty Street Chambers
Max Hill QC, Red Lion Chambers

The relationship between achieving justice and ensuring a fair trial for those accused of crime continues to provide interesting and important challenges for lawyers to resolve. In this essential session for criminal practitioners we will review the key cases and legislative changes of the year, from the right to public hearings, to court charges and surveillance.

2. EQUALITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE

Chair: **Jonathan Cooper OBE**, Doughty Street Chambers

Paul Bowen QC, Brick Court Chambers
Ulele Burnham, Doughty Street Chambers
Schona Jolly, Cloisters

The Equality Act 2010 – and the protection of equality before the law in the common law – continues to play a significant role in many key public law challenges. Beyond the cuts, our panel discuss the key cases of the past 12 months for practice in equality law and possible new developments, including proposals for a new residence test for legal aid.

3. IMMIGRATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE

Chair: **Alison Harvey**, Immigration Law Practitioners' Association

Raza Husain QC, Matrix Chambers
David Chirico, 1 Pump Court Chambers
Sonali Naik, Garden Court Chambers

Join us to discuss essential cases from the past 12 months and practice points on the continuing impact of the Immigration Act 2014. Explore the latest key developments in detention, private and family life and appeals, from both domestic courts and Strasbourg. We consider the potential impact of the latest Immigration Bill – the likely Immigration Act 2016.

13.00 LUNCH

14.00 AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS

4. JUDICIAL REVIEW AND HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE

Chair: **Angela Patrick**, Director of Human Rights Policy, JUSTICE

Jonathan Auburn, 11 King's Bench Walk
Caoilfhionn Gallagher, Doughty Street Chambers
John Halford, Bindmans

As the effects of the judicial review reforms in Part 4 of the Criminal Justice and Courts Act 2014 start to bite and reforms to Part 54 of the Civil Procedure Rules are expected, we review the key cases of the past 12 months for public law practice and consider proposals for further reform.

5. CHARTER OR CONVENTION? AN UPDATE FROM EUROPE

Chair: **Deba Das**, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer

Deirdre Fottrell QC, 1 Garden Court
Robert Palmer, Monckton Chambers

In a year where we debate Brexit and our Government commits to re-examine our relationship with the European Convention on Human Rights, the impact of both the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and the ECHR on UK human rights law has been centre stage. We review key human rights cases from both Luxembourg and Strasbourg this year, focusing on how Europe can help your client.

6. THE LAW AND WAR: HUMAN RIGHTS ACT, THE ECHR AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Chair: **Lt Col Revd Nicholas Mercer**

Richard Hermer QC, Matrix Chambers
Jocelyn Cockburn, Hodge Jones & Allen
John Swords, MOD Central Legal Services

The application of domestic human rights law to the activities of UK forces acting overseas has been at the heart of the political debate on the application of the Human Rights Act 1998 and the European Convention on Human Rights. We consider recent legal developments, the extraterritorial impact of the ECHR, the implications for the armed forces, for individual claimants and for transparency and accountability.

15.30 TEA

17.00 CLOSE

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15.45 AFTERNOON KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

'THE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT 1998: PROTECTING THE VICTIMS OF CRIME'

Phillippa Kaufmann QC, Matrix Chambers

16.15 PLENARY DEBATE

We have invited panellists to reflect the main parliamentary opposition in Parliament.

Confirmed speakers:

Alistair Carmichael MP (Lib Dem)
Anthony Speaight QC, 4 Pump Court
Keir Starmer QC MP (Lab)

The Government has committed to consultation on the repeal of the Human Rights Act 1998 and its replacement with a Bill of Rights for the UK. Our panellists explore the scope of that debate and the implications of repeal for the protection of individual rights in UK courts.

Join us to debate: 'How should the law best protect human rights?'

