

JUSTICE HUMAN RIGHTS LAW CONFERENCE 2017

13 OCTOBER 2017, LONDON



- UNMISSABLE HUMAN RIGHTS CPD EVENT FOR 2017
- KEYNOTE SPEECHES FROM LEADERS IN THE FIELD
- BREAKOUT SESSION UPDATES ON EQUALITY, CRIMINAL LAW, JUDICIAL REVIEW, IMMIGRATION, INQUESTS AND INQUIRIES AND HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS
- THE LATEST DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS CASE-LAW
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PLENARY SESSIONS WITH:

- MICHAEL FORDHAM QC
- SIR KEIR STARMER QC MP
- JOANNA CHERRY QC MP
- PROFESSOR CONOR GEARTY
- DOMINIC GRIEVE QC MP
- BARONESS SARAH LUDFORD



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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:**
The Rt Hon Lady Justice Hallett

10.15 **REVIEW OF THE YEAR**
Michael Fordham QC, *Blackstone Chambers*

11.00 COFFEE

11.30 MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS

1. **CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE**
Chair: **Prof Jackie Hodgson**, *University of Warwick*
Peter Carter QC, *Doughty Street Chambers*
Malcolm Hawkes, *Doughty Street 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. Other fundamental rights are also affected by criminal process, such as liberty and free speech. In this essential session for criminal practitioners we will review the key cases and legislative changes of the year, from digitisation to responses to terrorism.

2. **JUDICIAL REVIEW UPDATE**
Chair: **Michael Fordham QC**, *Blackstone Chambers*
Danny Friedman QC, *Matrix Chambers*
Shaheen Rahman QC, *One Crown Office Row Chambers*

Against the continuing backdrop of Part 4 of the Criminal Justice and Courts Act 2014, we review the key human rights judicial reviews of the past 12 months. With so many cases coming before the Administrative Court to choose from, this session explores some of the most notable human rights cases of last year, highlighting the fundamental importance of judicial review to upholding human rights.

3. **INQUESTS AND INQUIRIES**
Chair: **Harriet Wistrich**, *Birnberg Peirce*
Matthew Hill, *One Crown Office Row Chambers*
Deborah Coles, *INQUEST*
Dijen Basu QC, *5 Essex Court Chambers*

Investigative obligations under the ECHR continue to play a role in the major public inquiries of the moment, such as the Hillsborough and undercover policing inquiries, and the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse. Join us to discuss key developments in 2016-17, lessons learned from these complex processes, and updates on relevant case-law.

13.00 LUNCH

15.30 TEA

17.00 CLOSE

14.00 AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS

4. **IMMIGRATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE**
Chair: **Alison Harvey**, *Legal Director, Immigration Lawyers 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 the long shadow cast by the Immigration Act 2016. Exploring the latest key developments in immigration law in areas such as deportation, non-suspensive appeals, private and family life and Dublin III, this will be a must for immigration practitioners and all those with an interest in this field.

5. **HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS**
Chair: **John Gallagher**, *Principal Solicitor, Shelter*
Sonia Birdee, *Garden Court North Chambers*
Connor Johnston, *Garden Court Chambers*

Rights under the ECHR continue to play a crucial role in legal developments around housing and homelessness. Join us as our panel of expert practitioners give an update on key legal developments – including the Supreme Court's ruling in the so-called "bedroom tax" case in December 2016.

6. **EQUALITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS UPDATE**
Chair: **Colm O'Conneide**, *University College London*
Jenni Richards QC, *39 Essex Chambers*
Amanda Weston, *Garden Court Chambers*

Mental wellbeing is now recognised to be the key health issue of the modern era, with little insight amongst society into identifying the signs of disability or remedy for it. This session will consider the obligations under the Equality Act 2010, UNCRPD, and other relevant legislation, and the key cases and developments of the past 12 months on responding to mental ill-health.

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15.45 AFTERNOON KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

WHAT IS THE POINT OF INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS?
Sir Geoffrey Nice QC

16.15 PLENARY DEBATE

We are inviting panellists from the main parliamentary parties.

Sir Keir Starmer QC MP
Joanna Cherry QC MP
Professor Conor Gearty *London School of Economics*
Dominic Grieve QC MP
Baroness Sarah Ludford

Join us to debate the human rights landscape once we are out of the EU. What acquired rights must we maintain in our domestic law? Do the ECHR and our other international obligations provide sufficient protection without the scrutiny of the EU Institutions and Court of Justice of the European Union? Are we better off deciding our own UK civil liberties and obligations?

Join us to debate: 'Human rights after Brexit.'

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