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- The Rt. Hon. Sir Nicholas Green
- Phillippa Kaufmann QC
- Lord Anderson of Ipswich KBE QC

Panel sessions with:

- Sir David Calvert-Smith
- Karon Monaghan QC
- Leslie Thomas QC
- Harriet Wistrich
- Jelia Sane
- Sarah Whitehouse QC
- + many more





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PROGRAMME OF THE DAY

9.00 **REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS**

9.30 **CHAIR'S WELCOME** Andrea Coomber, Director, JUSTICE

MORNING KEYNOTE ADDRESS 9.45 The Rt. Hon Sir Nicholas Green, Chair of the Law Commission

10.15 REVIEW OF THE YEAR

Phillippa Kaufmann QC, Matrix Chambers

11.00 COFFEE

11.30 MORNING WORKSHOPS

1. Criminal Justice and Human Rights Chair: Sir David Calvert Smith Sarah Whitehouse QC, 6KBW Hugh Southey QC, Matrix Chambers

The relationship between achieving justice and ensuring a fair trial for those accused of crime continues to provide pressures within our criminal justice system. Other fundamental rights are also affected by criminal process, such as liberty and the prohibition against inhuman and degrading treatment. In this essential session for criminal practitioners we will review the key cases and developments of the year, such as R v Challen and Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis v DSD and Anor, which highlight the current developments within criminal justice and human rights.

2. Judicial Review

Chair: Marie Demetriou QC, Brick Court Chambers Joanne Clement, 11KBW Sarabjit Singh QC, 1 Crown Office Row

Judicial review is a vital mechanism by which the state can be held to account for its decisions. In this essential session for public law practitioners we will review key judicial review cases and developments of the past year discussing topics as wide ranging as ouster clauses, disclosure of criminal records and arms export licences.

3. Women's Human Rights

Chair: Karon Monaghan QC, Matrix Chambers Harriet Wistrich, Centre for Women's Justice Naomi Lumsdaine, Equality and Human Rights Commission

Join us as our panel offers insight into the treatment of women in the justice system. Topics will include the cross-examination of sexual abuse, rape and domestic abuse complainants by their alleged perpetrators, the questioning of women in criminal trials, the use of non-disclosure agreements in harassment and discrimination cases, and defamation proceedings brought against women speaking about abuse - in light of Stocker, the recent Supreme Court case.

13.45 AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

4. Immigration, Asylum and Human Rights

Chair: Adrian Berry, Immigration Law Practitioners Association Jelia Sane, Doughty Street Chambers Joe Middleton, Doughty Street Chambers

Against the backdrop of Brexit, this essential session for immigration and asylum practitioners will review key cases and key developments in this jurisdiction. Join our panel of leading practitioners to discuss topics including the impact of Brexit, on immigration and the rights of EU citizens, Article 8 rights in deportation cases and the ongoing impact of the 'Windrush' scandal.

5. Environment and Human Rights

Chair: Lord Carnwath of Notting Hill Tessa Khan, Climate Litigation Network, Urgenda Foundation Gillian Lobo, Client Earth Richard Drabble QC, Landmark Chambers

At a new panel for our Human Rights Conference we tackle how the developing concerns with respect to climate change intersect with human rights litigation. Poor air quality, fracking, climate protesters and major infrastructure developments that will breach CO2 reduction targets are amongst the issues that courts have been grappling with.

6. Inquests and Inquiries

Chair: Leslie Thomas QC, Garden Court Chambers Peter Weatherby QC, Garden Court North Chambers Danny Friedman QC, Matrix Chambers Allison Munroe, Garden Court Chambers

Inquests and inquiries serve as society's formal responses to the most traumatic events it endures. They are prominent and controversial, rarely far from the media and the public consciousness. Recent examples such as the Grenfell Tower Inquiry and Birmingham pub bombings inquest have refocused attention on the difficulties that arise relating to questions of liability, and the need to place victims and their families at the heart of proceedings. Our expert panel will bring to bear direct experience of these landmark investigations in this stimulating session.

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15.30 **AFTERNOON KEYNOTE ADDRESS** 'Justice after Brexit' Lord Anderson of Ipswich KBE QC

While much about Brexit remains uncertain, proposed legislation drafted in preparation for the UK's withdrawal from the EU gives rise to concern. For example, in the place of freedom of movement, the Immigration and Social Security Co-ordination (EU Withdrawal) Bill purports to provide Government with extraordinarily broad powers to legislate by way of secondary legislation in the immigration and connected social security co-ordination field, potentially eroding the rights of EEA nationals while by-passing the full scrutiny of Parliament. Elsewhere, open questions remain as to what post-Brexit protections will exist in the context of cross-border reciprocal arrangements and harmonisation of workers' rights, environmental and human rights.

16.00 **Plenary Debate**

Chair: Andrea Coomber, Director, JUSTICE Lord Anderson of Ipswich KBE QC Lord Marks QC, Liberal Democrats Celina Colquhoun, No5 Barristers' Chambers

The final session of the day will discuss this complex topic.

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