

## Join Us

"Inspiring Women, Inspiring Careers in Law"

Keynote Address – Baroness Hale of Richmond DBE

A unique opportunity to hear from the incredible Lady Hale and an unprecedented line-up of speakers, sharing their stories of lives in the law over the course of the day.

Invited for their success but also their wholehearted approach to life, our speakers will speak frankly about their paths into and through the law, what has worked and what hasn't, the challenges and the triumphs, culminating in a personal message to those attending.

They will look back, to help you move forward, offering insights and advice on succeeding.



Baroness Hale of Richmond DBE is the President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom. In 2004, Lady Hale became the first woman Law Lord before transferring to the new Supreme Court, where she served as Deputy President from 2013-2017. Alongside working as a barrister part time, Lady Hale's early career focused on teaching law at the University of Manchester, becoming Professor of Law in 1986. She was the first woman ever appointed to the Law Commission in 1984 and spent ten years re-defining the face of family law. Lady Hale was made a QC in 1989, a Recorder in 1989 and a High Court judge in 1994.

## WELCOME FROM THE CHAIR

Last October, in a public conversation with me about judicial diversity, Lady Hale mentioned an amazing conference she'd spoken at in New Zealand in the summer. It was, she said, the most inspiring women's event she'd ever attended, where successful women in the law had spoken from the heart about their working lives. She then turned to me and said, 'Andrea, you should arrange the same sort of thing here for JUSTICE'.

I didn't need much encouragement! The following day I contacted the New Zealand Law Society for advice, and invited Lady Hale to speak at the event I was now planning...

Inspiring Women, Inspiring Careers in Law isn't a normal conference. It is a chance to listen to and to ask questions of 11 incredible women, who have taken varied paths into and through the law. Over a full day, they will share their challenges and triumphs, and offer counsel on navigating a rewarding career.

This is a fundraising event. Since 1957 JUSTICE has been working to strengthen the law in this country. We are a small charity, punching above our weight in terms of influence and impact. Thanks to Allen & Overy LLP, every penny raised from the event will support our <a href="important-work">important-work</a>. We know the cost may be prohibitive for some, so we will hold a similar free evening event with our President Helena Kennedy QC later in the year for JUSTICE members.

I hope that you'll be able to join us on 7th June for this very special event.

Andrea Coomber Director of JUSTICE

## **PROGRAMME**

### 8.15 - 9.00 REGISTRATION

9.00 - 09.15 Opening and welcome - Andrea Coomber and Karen Seward

9.15 - 10.00 Keynote Address - Baroness Hale of Richmond DBE

10.00 - 10.30 Alison Saunders CB

10.30 - 11.00 Sonya Branch

### 11.00 - 11.30 MORNING TEA

11.30 - 12.00 Professor Linda Mulcahy

12.00 - 12.30 Karon Monaghan QC

12.30 - 13.00 Dame Eleanor Laing MP

## 13.00 - 14.00 LUNCH

14.00 - 14.30 HHJ Angela Rafferty QC

14.30 - 15.00 Sandie Okoro

15.00 - 15.30 Baroness Shami Chakrabarti CBE

## 15.30 - 16.00 AFTERNOON TEA

16.00 - 16.30 Dame Philippa Whipple DBE

16.30 - 17.00 Karyl Nairn QC

17.00 - 17.15 Close and vote of thanks

17.15 - 18.30 DRINKS RECEPTION



## THE CHAIR



**SPEAKERS** 

Andrea Coomber has been Director of JUSTICE since February 2013. Between 2002 and 2013 she was Equality Lawyer and then Legal Director at INTERIGHTS where she litigated key cases before the European Court of Human Rights and the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights. Before joining INTERIGHTS, she worked at the International Service for Human Rights in Geneva and at the South Asia Documentation Centre in New Delhi. Andrea is qualified as a barrister and solicitor in Western Australia.











Sonya Branch became General Counsel to the Bank of England in May 2015. In this capacity, Sonya is the Executive Director for the Legal Directorate, providing legal advice to both the Bank and the Prudential Regulation Authority. Before joining the Bank of England, Sonya held senior posts at the Competition and Markets Authority and the Office of Fair Trading. After qualifying at Linklaters, between 2000 and 2007 Sonya worked at Clifford Chance, where she was the youngest person in the firm's history to become a partner.

Baroness Shami Chakrabarti CBE is the Shadow Attorney General and a Labour member of the House of Lords. From 2003 to 2016, Shami was Director of Liberty, the National Council for Civil Liberties, becoming one of the country's leading human rights advocates. In 2011, she served as a member of the panel of the Leveson Inquiry, the judicial inquiry into UK phone hacking. Called to the Bar in 1994, Shami worked as a lawyer in the Home Office from 1996 until 2001 for Governments of both persuasions. Shami's first book, "On Liberty", is published by Penguin. Her second, "Of Women", was published on 26 October 2017. Shami serves on the JUSTICE Council

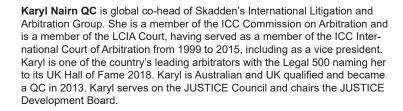
Dame Eleanor Laing MP has been the Conservative MP for Epping Forest since 1997 and in October 2013 was elected Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons. Before becoming Deputy Speaker, Dame Eleanor served on a number of influential parliamentary committees and held a variety of opposition spokesperson roles. Dame Eleanor is a graduate of Edinburgh University, where she was the first woman to be elected President of the Union. Before her election to parliament, she worked as a solicitor in Edinburgh, in the City and in industry. In June 2018, Dame Eleanor was awarded her Damehood in the Queen's Birthday Honours.

Karon Monaghan QC is a barrister at Matrix Chambers and is one of the country's leading human rights and discrimination lawyers. Karon was called to the Bar in 1989 and was made a QC in 2008. She sits as a Recorder and a Deputy High Court Judge, and for eight years was a fee-paid Employment Tribunal Judge. Karon was named Employment Silk of the Year at both the 2017 Chambers & Partners Bar Awards and the 2017 Legal 500 Awards, was featured in The Lawyer's 'Hot 100' list for 2018, and received an award in the category of "Outstanding contribution to BAPIO 2018". She frequently writes and lectures on equality law, and serves on the JUSTICE Council.

**Linda Mulcahy** is the Professor of Socio-legal Studies and the Director of the Centre for Socio-Legal Studies at Oxford University. Linda has degrees in law, sociology and art history with the result that her work has a strong inter-disciplinary flavour. Most recently she has been writing about the geo-politics of the courthouse and the relationship between design and due process. Linda is the winner of the Socio-Legal Studies Association 2017-18 prize for her contributions to Socio-Legal Studies in the UK. Linda serves on the JUSTICE Council.









Sandie Okoro was appointed Senior Vice President and General Counsel for the World Bank Group in February 2017. Sandie qualified first as a barrister and then re-qualified and trained as a solicitor. Sandie has received several accolades and awards in the United Kingdom and Europe for her work and volunteer efforts. In March 2014, she was named by the Guardian as one of 10 women who are changing the face of the City. She was named in the Autumn 2015 edition of Brummell Magazine, as one of the top Inspirational Women in the City who are Champions of Diversity. Sandie previously served on the JUSTICE Council.



HHJ Angela Rafferty QC was appointed to the Circuit Bench in January 2019, deployed to sit at the Old Bailey. Angela was called to the Bar in 1995, became a Recorder in 2009 and was made a QC in 2015. In 2017 she was the Chair of the Criminal Bar Association. In practice Angela specialised in grave high profile criminal cases and trained the judiciary in Scotland and Northern Ireland in the management and approach to vulnerable people in criminal cases. Angela served on the recent JUSTICE working party on Prosecution of Sexual Offences.



Alison Saunders CB is a qualified barrister and partner at Linklaters. Before joining Linklaters earlier this year, Alison was the most senior public prosecutor in England and Wales, as the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) and head of the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS), only the second woman to hold the post. Alison served as deputy legal adviser to the Attorney General from 2003 to 2005, returning to establish the organised crime division of the CPS and to serve as the chief crown prosecutor for London from 2009 to 2013. Alison previously sat on the Sentencing Council. She now serves on the JUSTICE Council.



Karen Seward is Allen & Overy's Global Head of Litigation and an Employment law specialist. She was appointed Global Head of Litigation in 2017 and she is the first woman to take up this position at the firm. Karen is part of the A&O gender diversity group tasked with refreshing the Firm's gender strategy and is an active ally to and champion for A&O's LGBT community (A&Out), she is a strong advocate for an inclusive and diverse workplace. In June 2018, Karen was awarded the prestigious 'Outstanding Practitioner of the Year' award at the Euromoney Women in Business Law Awards.



Dame Philippa Whipple DBE was appointed to the High Court in 2015 and sits in the Queen's Bench Division. Dame Philippa started her professional career in 1989 as a solicitor in a City firm, before retraining as a barrister in 1994. She was made a QC in 2010 and in the same year was appointed lead counsel to the Detainee Inquiry. She was appointed a Recorder in 2005, and became a Deputy High Court Judge in 2013. Since 2016 Dame Philippa has been a judicial member of the Judicial Appointments Commission.



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