



JUSTICE aims to promote access to justice, human rights and the rule of law. It is the British Section of the International Commission of Jurists. JUSTICE works through research, education, lobbying and interventions in the courts. Our particular current concerns are

- counter-terrorism and human rights
- criminal justice
- the EU
- equality
- legal aid
- the rule of law – particularly, the relationship between government and the judiciary

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Through test case litigation, parliamentary lobbying, research and advice work, Liberty campaigns to protect and promote civil liberties, human rights and the rule of law.

In 2005 Liberty campaigned on issues including identity cards, child curfew orders and protest rights. Throughout the year we have worked to ensure that anti-terrorism measures receive the scrutiny they require. We will continue to highlight those measures which offer little security and threaten our basic freedoms.

www.liberty-human-rights.org.uk



The Law Society is the body that regulates and represents the solicitors' profession in England and Wales. Its major activities include providing prompt redress for consumers; maintaining and, where necessary, raising standards of entry and practice; lobbying for law reform in the public interest; and promoting the fundamental human right of equal access to justice for all – here and overseas.

www.lawsociety.org.uk

The organisers would like to thank the General Council of the Bar (www.barcouncil.org.uk) and the Institute of Legal Executives (www.ilex.org.uk) for their generous sponsorship of the Human Rights Awards. We are also grateful to *Legal Action* magazine (www.lag.org.uk), the *Independent Lawyer* (www.independent-lawyer.com), the *Legal Executive* (www.ilexjournal.com) and *Counsel* their help in publicising the awards.

human rights awards 2005

Call for nominations

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2005 has been a difficult year for human rights. But it is in difficult times that human rights are most important. The Human Rights Awards aim to recognise and encourage individuals and organisations whose work is dedicated to protecting and promoting the rights of others.

That dedication is sometimes vilified, often ignored. The Human Rights Awards are your chance to set the record straight. By nominating an individual or organisation, you will not only acknowledge their contribution to the advancement of human rights in the UK, but also ensure that they are an inspiration to others.

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Liberty, JUSTICE and the Law Society invite nominations for the Human Rights Awards 2005

Deadline for nominations: 5pm on Tuesday 8 November

The Awards ceremony will take place on the evening of Monday 12 December

What Awards will be made?

- **Human Rights Lawyer of the Year**

- for solicitors, barristers, legal executives, trainees, pupils, legal academics and judges.

- **The Human Rights Award**

- for organisations and non-legal individuals.

- **The Peter Duffy Award***

- for individuals (campaigners, lawyers, activists, academics etc) aged 35 or under.

* The Peter Duffy Award commemorates the life and achievements of one of the UK's most highly dedicated human rights lawyers. Peter Duffy QC was particularly supportive of younger lawyers, giving freely of his time and skills. An important part of his human rights work was done pro bono for organisations including Liberty and JUSTICE.

Who is eligible?

- Nominees will have made a significant contribution to the promotion or protection of human rights in England and Wales.
- Nominations may be based on a specific campaign or case that has come to fruition in 2005 or general, sustained, work.
- The judges will favour nominees whose work exceeds their professional commitments.

How do I nominate?

- Nominations should be emailed to awards@justice.org.uk by 5pm on Tuesday 8 November 2005.
- Nominations must include the full name and contact details of both the nominee and the nominator. They must be supported by a statement, not exceeding 400 words, explaining the nominee's eligibility for the award. Additional materials will not be considered.
- Nominations may be made by any organisation, group, or individual (except members of the panel of judges). Self-nomination is not permitted.
- Employees or other office-holders at Liberty, JUSTICE or the Law Society are not eligible for nomination.
- Additional awards may be made at the discretion of the independent panel of judges.

THE PANEL OF JUDGES

MOHAMMED AZIZ, CRE Commissioner and member of government taskforce on the Commission for Equality & Human Rights; SIR NICOLAS BRATZA QC, Judge, European Court of Human Rights; DIANE BURLEIGH, Secretary General of the Institute of Legal Executives; SHAMI CHAKRABARTI, Director of Liberty; MRS JUSTICE COX DBE, Judge of the High Court of England and Wales; STEVE HYNES, Director of Law Centres Federation; BARONESS HELENA KENNEDY QC, House of Lords; GUY MANSFIELD QC, Chairman of General Council of the Bar; KEVIN MARTIN, President of the Law Society; ROGER SMITH, Director of JUSTICE