

10th Annual Conference

The Human Rights Law Conference 2008

Tuesday 21 October 2008, Holiday Inn Bloomsbury, London WC1

Building on ten years of the Human Rights Act

Keynote Speakers

Rt Hon Lady Justice Arden, Court of Appeal

Rt Hon Jack Straw MP, Lord Chancellor
and Secretary of State for Justice

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Coverage includes:

- Criminal law
- The Equality and Human Rights Commission
- Immigration and asylum
- Human rights and the EU
- Judicial review
- Counter-terrorism
- Deaths in custody
- Privacy
- The Human Rights Act – where next?

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Why you should attend

The time when human rights law was a minority interest has long past. Today – ten years after the Human Rights Act received royal assent – it is mainstream. Human rights principles pervade policy and practice, and no policy-maker or practitioner can afford to be ignorant of the latest developments.

These continue apace in 2008. New legislation has profound human rights implications in several areas – counter-terrorism, immigration and death in custody, to name but three. House of Lords and European Court judgments continue to overturn the actions of government and the decisions of public bodies.

Meanwhile a new actor on the human rights stage – the Equality and Human Rights Commission – has begun to explore its role; the “surveillance society” throws privacy rights into steadily sharper perspective; and debate over the Lisbon Treaty provides a new European backdrop to rights in the UK.

Update your knowledge

You can update your knowledge of all these issues at the annual JUSTICE / Sweet & Maxwell Human Rights Law Conference – the established forum for the analysis of human rights related legislation, case law and policy across a wide range of practice areas.

Enjoy a wide-ranging conference

- Ensure you are fully informed of all the key recent developments in human rights law
- Gain an authoritative assessment of the likely future directions of law and policy
- Exchange experience and ideas with delegates from government departments, academia and the legal professions

Specialist workshop sessions, each run by leading experts, will provide in-depth coverage of particularly topical areas:

- Criminal law
- The Equality and Human Rights Commission
- Immigration and asylum
- Human rights and the EU
- Judicial review
- Counter-terrorism
- Deaths in custody
- Privacy

Understand the latest developments:

- A comprehensive review of the past 12 months in human rights law – what matters most and what doesn't?
- Where now for human rights? Hear direct from Jack Straw, Secretary of State for Justice – one of the prime movers behind the Human Rights Act
- Countering terrorism, preserving liberty? An up-to-the-minute look at legislation and the latest decisions in this fast-moving area
- The rule of law – what are the implications of the House of Lords decision in *Corner House Research and Campaign against Arms Trade v Director of the Serious Fraud Office*?
- The Equality & Human Rights Commission one year on – a watchdog with bite as well as bark?
- Where now for the Lisbon Treaty – and what are the implications for rights in the EU and the UK?
- Databases, social networking and electronic surveillance – as technology races ahead, how well is UK law protecting individual privacy?

What delegates said about the 2007 Human Rights Law Conference

“Excellent as always – thank you for a very useful and informative day”

“High quality speakers”

“The sessions by Alex Bailin and Alison Macdonald were superb and did exactly what I wanted from the day”

“An excellent opportunity to engage with others in my field”

“Very useful to see the interfaces of practical and academic issues”



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Programme

- 9.00 Registration**
- 9.30 Morning plenary session:**
Chaired by Jennifer McDermott, Withers LLP
 Introduction from the chair
Keynote speech:
Rt Hon Lady Justice Arden, Court of Appeal
- 10.10 Review of the Year**
Nathalie Lieven QC, Landmark Chambers
- 10.40 Discussion/questions**
- 11.00 Coffee Break**
- 11.30 Morning breakout sessions**
 (choose one session from the following four)

1. Criminal Law and Human Rights Update

Alex Bailin, Matrix Chambers,
Duncan Penny, 6 King's Bench Walk Chambers

This session provides an overview of key cases and legislative developments in the area of criminal law and human rights – including:

- Coverage of key decisions of the Divisional Court, Court of Appeal, House of Lords and European Court of Human Rights
- Impact of Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008 on youth justice, self-defence, violent offenders, extreme pornography and foreign nationals convicted of criminal offences

2. The Equality and Human Rights Commission

Professor Francesca Klug OBE, LSE and EHRC commissioner,
John Wadham, EHRC

The EHRC is a year old, how is it faring? It has already:

- Announced an inquiry into human rights in the UK
- Taken several cases in the higher courts
- Threatened the government with judicial review if it enacts 42 days pre-charge detention.

This session examines the EHRC's powers and functions, and discusses its impact on equality and human rights in the UK.

3. Immigration and Asylum Update

Raza Husain, Matrix Chambers,
Laura Dubinsky, Doughty Street Chambers

This session provides a thorough review of legislation and case-law in an area where there have been a number of significant developments including:

- A points based immigration system for skilled workers
- Special immigration status for foreign nationals convicted of crime
- Rulings against changes to the Highly-Skilled Migrants Programme and plans to limit the numbers of foreign-qualified doctors
- A number of cases concerning returns under the recent EU Refugee Qualification Directive
- *EM(Lebanon)* to be heard by the Lords in July, concerning clarification to the 'flagrant breach' test established by *Ullah* in 2004

4. Human Rights in the EU

Jemima Stratford, Brick Court Chambers,
Gerry Facenna, Monckton Chambers

The EU exerts an ever-increasing influence on UK law. This session examines the latest developments in relation to human rights including:

- The status of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights and the Lisbon Treaty
- The European Arrest Warrant, extradition and judicial surrender
- Privacy, data protection and freedom of movement
- Latest case-law of European Court of Justice and European Court of Human Rights

13.00 Lunch

13.45 Afternoon breakout sessions
 (choose one session from the following four)

5. Judicial Review and Human Rights Update

Monica Carss-Frisk QC, Blackstone Chambers,
Richard Gordon QC, Brick Court Chambers

This session analyses developments in the fields of public law, judicial review and human rights. It includes coverage of:

- *Corner House* (House of Lords, July 2008) challenging decision of the Serious Fraud Office to halt inquiry into claims of corruption in arms deal with Saudi Arabia
- *Gentle* (House of Lords, April 2008) concerning the legality of Iraq War
- Other key decisions of the Administrative Court, Court of Appeal, House of Lords, the European Court of Human Rights and European Court of Justice

6. The Counter-Terrorism Act 2008

Ali Bajwa, 25 Bedford Row Chambers,
Professor Clive Walker, University of Leeds

The Counter-Terrorism Bill will become law in Autumn 2008. How do the new measures strike the balance between human rights and national security? Even if plans to extend pre-charge detention to 42 days are defeated, the Act will contain measures on:

- Post-charge questioning
- Notification requirements for those convicted of terrorist offences
- The prospect of aggravated sentences for offences with a terrorist connection

In addition, this year will see 'control order' appeals before the Court of Appeal and the outcome of the alleged Heathrow airline bomb plot trial.

7. Deaths in Custody

Paul Bowen, Doughty Street Chambers,
Alison Macdonald, Matrix Chambers

The treatment of individuals in custody (including prisons, mental health facilities and immigration detention) involves fundamental human rights issues. This session covers:

- The obligations of public authorities and private actors responsible for detention of prisoners and detainees
- The legal rights of those detained and the remedies available to them
- New developments such as the draft Coroners and Death Certification Bill, and provision for secret inquests in the Counter-terrorism Bill

8. The Right to Privacy in an Electronic Age

Timothy Pitt-Payne, 11 KBW
 Second speaker to be confirmed

In an age of databases and electronic surveillance how well does UK law protect individual privacy? This session examines:

- The legal principles governing privacy as they relate to data gathering and retention – including in the context of crime, immigration and education
- Personal data and the rise of social networking sites
- Use of surveillance powers by local authorities
- Inquiries into surveillance powers by the Commons Home Affairs Committee and the Lords Constitution Committee

15.15 Tea break

15.30 Afternoon plenary session:

The Human Rights Act – The First Decade

Rt Hon Jack Straw MP, Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice

As Home Secretary in 1998, Jack Straw guided the Human Rights Act through the Commons. Ten years on, has it fulfilled his expectations? And what of plans to build on it through a Bill of Rights and Responsibilities? The minister's reflections will form the basis of an expert panel discussion.

16.00 Panel discussion:

Chaired by **Roger Smith**, JUSTICE

Professor David Feldman, University of Cambridge

Louise Christian, Christian Khan Solicitors

David Pannick QC, Blackstone Chambers

17.00 Close of Conference

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