



James Mehigan

Called 2008

Areas of Practice

Crime

Notable Cases

Dinitrijevic, Court of Appeal 2009

Appeal against a confiscation order related to cigarette smuggling.

Hussain and others, Woolwich Crown Court 2009

Conspiracy to cause explosions on transatlantic flights using liquid bombs.

London Borough of Ealing v Socialist Party

Acton Magistrates' Court 2009

Successfully defended the Socialist Party in its first ever prosecution for fly-posting.

Publications

(with Alan DP Brady) *'Universal Jurisdiction for International Crimes in Irish Law'*, Irish Jurist, 2009 (forthcoming).

(with Reece Walters and Louise Westmarland) *'Crime, Globalisation and Human Rights'* in Criminal Justice: Local and Global, Cullompton: Willan, 2009.

(with Abigail Rowe): *'Problematizing Prison Privatization'*, in Handbook of the Prison, Cullompton: Willan, 2007.

'Bringing Cases Against War Criminals: Universal Jurisdiction in Ireland', Law Society Gazette, July 2006.

'The Australian Criminal Justice System and the Aboriginal Community', Trinity College Social and Political Review, 2001.

Speaking Events and Seminars

Neighbourhood Policing, Partnership and Problem Solving, British Society of Criminology Conference, London School of Economics, September 2007

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Quality of Life Research and Policing, British Society of Criminology Conference, Glasgow Caledonian University, June 2006.

Bringing Cases Against War Criminals: Universal Jurisdiction in Ireland, Palestinian Centre for Human Rights, Universal Jurisdiction Conference, Malaga, March 2006.

Practical Approaches to Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Second Dublin Platform for Human Rights Defenders, Dublin Castle, September 2003

What Others Say

James has recently been nominated for the 2009 Bar Pro Bono Award for his contribution to the case of Balaj et al. before the UNMIK Human Rights Advisory Panel for Kosovo.

Membership and Societies

British Society of Criminology
Haldane Society
Liberty
Amnesty International

Other Relevant Information

Associate Lecturer in Crime and Justice, Open University

Trustee and Company Director of the UK Branch of Front Line – The International Foundation for Human Rights Defenders

Prior to coming to the Bar James worked as a researcher for three human rights organizations; Front Line – The International Foundation for the Protection of Human Rights Defenders in Dublin, the International Council on Human Rights Policy in Geneva and the Ethical Investment Research Service in London. He has also worked as a legal assistant to the defence team in the case of Prosecutor v Sesay at the UN Special Court for Sierra Leone.

James is a former member of the Independent Monitoring Board at Pentonville Prison. He has a PhD on policing and has lectured in law at the University of East London. James has a broad interest in criminal defence work and other work related to the criminal justice system.