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Areas of Practice

Human Rights and Civil Liberties, Humanitarian, European, Civil, Employment and Discrimination Law.

Notable Cases

- *Prosecutor v Šešelj*, IT-03-67-T, UN International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia. Court appointed *amicus curiae* investigating allegations of contempt of court in case involving allegations war crimes and crimes against humanity.
- *Tariq v the Home Office*, EAT/0168/09/DA, test case challenging the National Security Rules of Procedure and Special Advocate Process as being incompatible with the European Convention on Human Rights and European Community law.
- *Prosecutor v Haradinaj, Balaj and Brahimaj*, IT-04-84, UN International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia. Representing former guerrilla fighter and member of Kosovo Liberation Army against allegations of war crimes and crimes against humanity at trial and on appeal.
- *Balaj, Xhelladini et al* HRAP/04/07. Representing victims of fatal shooting during protest by UN peacekeeping forces before the UNMIK Human Rights Advisory Panel for Kosovo.
- *Palić v Bosnia and Herzegovina* ECHR, Application Number 4704/04. Case concerning the kidnap and forced disappearance of Colonel Palić, commander of the Žepa enclave during war in Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- *Behrami and Behrami v France*, ECHR (Grand Chamber) Application Number 71412/01. 22 BHRC 477; (2007) 45 EHRR SE10. Represented victims of failures to mark cluster bomb site in Kosovo.
- *Saramati v France, Norway and Germany*, ECHR (Grand Chamber) Application Number 78166/01. Represented individual detained for security reasons by KFOR in Kosovo.
- *Singal v United Kingdom*, ECHR Application Number 14808/06.
- *Rutherford and Bentley v Secretary of State for Trade & Industry (No 2)* (House of Lords) [2006] UKHL 19. "Age discrimination" case affecting equality rights of over 300,000 workers.
- *Uzun v Turkey*, ECHR, Application Number 37410/97. Represented family members of victim killed by mortar bomb. Held breach of the right to life investigative obligation under Article 2.

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- *Blečić v Croatia*, Oral Hearing ECHR (Grand Chamber), 14 September 2005, [2006] ECHR 207. Represented Montenegrin applicant of alleging discriminatory cancellation of occupancy rights as policy of ethnic cleansing.
- *Application for Arrest Warrant against Doron Almog*, Bow Street Magistrates Court, 10 September 2005: First successful application for an arrest warrant under the Geneva Conventions Act 1957 for war crimes.
- *Brunel University v Webster* [2005] EWCA (Civ) 142. Leading case on the burden of proof in cases of discrimination.
- *Rasulov and Others v Russia*, ECHR.
- *Iron and Steel Trades Confederation v ASW Ltd (in liquidation)* [2004] IRLR 928.
- *Application for Arrest Warrant Against General Shaul Mofaz* ICLQ vol 53, July 2004 pp 769-774.
- *Gidella and others v Wandsworth BC & Another* [2002] 3 CMLR 37.
- *Harvest Town Circle Ltd v Rutherford* [2001] IRLR 599, [2002] ICR 163.
- *Cootes v John Lewis* EAT/1414/00 20 April 2001.
- *R (on the application of P) v LB Newham* (2001) 4 CCL Rep 48.

Publications

- "Secret Evidence is Damaging Justice," The Guardian, Comment is Free, 14 July 2009.
- "The Exercise of State Power and Its Consequences for Universal Jurisdiction for War Crimes," (2006) 9 KHRP LR 57.
- Legal Perspectives on Counter-Insurgency Operations (forthcoming).
- "Does Israel's £1 Billion Wall Flout the Law?" The Times, February 2004.
- "Israel's Wall in the West Bank: Reality and Legality," Socialist Lawyer, November 2003.
- "Legitimate Action or War Crime?" The Times, July 2003.
- "Post Employment Discrimination and Victimisation" Employment Law Review September 2001.
- "When I'm Sixty Four - Recent Developments in Age Discrimination", The Adviser July 2001.
- "Human Rights and Employment Remedies - A Procedural Minefield?" September 2000.
- "Hope I Die Before I Get Old", Legal Week July 2000.

Speaking Events and Training, Seminars

- Bar Human Rights Committee Training for Palestinian Lawyers, Ramallah, West Bank, 20 to 22 June 2006.
- "Law and Practice in the Prosecution of War Crimes" Al Haq, Law in the Service of Man, Ramallah, West Bank, 26 June 2006.
- "Legal Aspects of Counter Insurgency Operations" Joint Services Command and Staff College, August 2005.
- "The Election Inspectors" BBC Radio 4 and World Service, May 2005.
- "The Impact of *Igen* on the Burden of Proof" Toops Chambers, July 2005.
- "The Employment Act 2002" Toops Chambers, November 2004.
- "International Human Rights and the Military" Advanced Command and Staff Course, Joint Services Command and Staff College, October 2004.

- “Big Brother” Legal Action Group, April 2004.

What Others Say

Paul Troop is rated as a leading junior in the category of Human Rights and Civil Liberties by the Legal 500 “for his work at the UN International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia” (Legal 500, 2008) and for covering “a wide range of civil liberties and human rights work” (Legal 500, 2009).

Membership and Societies

- Bar Human Rights Committee.
- Human Rights Lawyers’ Association.
- Association of Defence Counsel Practising Before the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia.
- Lawyers for Palestinian Human Rights.
- Haldane Society.
- Employment Lawyers Association.
- Lawyers for Liberty.

Other Relevant Information

French, Japanese.