

CURRICULUM VITAE: HELEN DUFFY

helen@rightsinpractice.org; www.rightsinpractice.org

Professional Experience

Founder, 'Human Rights in Practice'

2011 -

Currently runs an international legal practice that seeks to enable victims and NGOs to more effectively pursue remedies on the international or regional levels, and to achieve change through strategic human rights litigation. Recent cases in the European, Inter-american, African and UN systems address issues such as violations in the name of counter terrorism, extraordinary rendition, torture and lethal use of force, modern day slavery, equality and female genital mutilation, judicial independence and accountability. HRP focuses on the conduct, and analysis, of strategic human rights litigation. It also conducts capacity building and selected consultancy projects.

Gieskes Chair of International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Leiden University

Jan 2015 -

Part time professor at the Grotius Centre, University of Leiden. Teaching two masters courses: Victims of War, and International Protection of Human Rights, and providing PhD and Masters theses supervision.

Legal Director, INTERIGHTS

2001 – 2011

Coordinated the organisation's legal programme and quality assured its strategic litigation; supervised and supported the legal work of a team of around 10 lawyers; provided legal representation and submitted third party interventions on strategically selected cases in the European, African, Inter-American and international systems and before sub-regional and national courts.

Legal Officer, Office of Prosecutor, Int.Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia

2000 - 2001

Provided legal advice on diverse issues of international criminal law, humanitarian law and human rights; formed part of the prosecution team in *Prosecutor v. Galic* concerning the siege of Sarajevo.

Counsel (International Justice), Human Rights Watch, New York

1997 to 2000

Represented HRW at the ICC diplomatic conference and preparatory meetings, during the Pinochet proceedings, and at negotiations on the Hague Convention on Jurisdiction and Judgment; drafted HRW position papers on the ICC, universal jurisdiction and related issues of human rights, IHL and ICL.

Legal Director, Centro para Acción Legal en Derechos Humanos (CALDH), Guatemala

1995 to 1997

Directed CALDH's international legal work; conducted litigation before the Inter-American Commission and Court, including *Plan de Sanchez v. Guatemala* challenging genocide and seeking reparation for mass atrocities during the non-international conflict; advising on international law in domestic cases.

Asst. Secretary (formerly legal adviser), Scott Inquiry on the Export of Arms to Iraq

1993 to 1995

Adviser to the judicial inquiry on public and international law; drafted questionnaires for witnesses from Prime Ministerial to official level; analysed evidence; prepared parts of the Inquiry's report.

Legal Advisor, Government Legal Service of the United Kingdom

1991 to 1993

Advised government departments; litigated before English courts; drafted secondary legislation and supervised its passage through parliament.

Education

University of Leiden, PhD in International Law (2013)

Promoter - Dr. Nico Schrijver

Thesis - 'The "War on Terror" and International Law.'

University College London, Master of Laws in Public International law LLM (with Merit) (1990)

Specialized subject areas - The International law of Armed Conflict; The International Protection of Human Rights; Human Rights in the Developing World; Foreign Relations Law.

University of Glasgow, Bachelor of Laws LLB (Hons.) (1989).

Professional Qualifications: Law Society Finals, England and Wales (1992); Diploma in (Scottish) Legal Practice, University of Edinburgh (1991).

Other Academic and Professional Activities

Honorary Professor of Public International Law, University of Glasgow *2010- present*

Lectures and seminars on international law, faculty support and occasional thesis supervision.

Adjunct Professor, University of Webster (International Relations) *2012 –2014*

OSCE Expert and Trainer on Countering Terrorism and International Law *2012- present*

International Litigation Advisory Council member, Centre for Reproductive Rights *2010-2013*

Steering Committee member of the 'Leiden International Expert Group on Terrorism and International Law and Policy' *2008-10*

Expert to UN Office on Drugs and Crime, Handbook for Countering Terrorism Through a Rule of Law-Based Criminal Justice System *2007-8*

Consultant to the Hague Institute for Global Justice *2013*

Panel member, 'Mentoring Programme for Women,' ICTY *2013- present*

Regular Lecturer and Trainer on international law and practice: training for judges, prosecutors, lawyers, practitioners and NGOs from Europe, Asia, the Middle East, Latin America and Africa

Languages: Mother tongue English, fluent Spanish, working knowledge of French

Annex: Selected Publications

- * *The 'War on Terror' and the Framework of International Law*, Cambridge Uni. Press (2nd ed. 2015, 1st ed 2005).
- * 'Extraordinary rendition: Shared Responsibility', *The Practice of Shared Responsibility in International Law, Nollkaempner and Plakocefalos, Vol. 3*, (forthcoming 2015)
- * 'Human Rights Bodies and International Humanitarian Law: Common but Differentiated Approaches', in P. Leach et al, *Harmonisation of International Human Rights Law* (forthcoming 2015).
- * 'Accountability through Litigation: Potential and Challenges', in F. Davis and F. de Londras (eds.), *Critical Debates on Counter-Terrorist Judicial Review*, Cambridge Uni. Press (2014), 324-365.
- * 'International Human Rights Law and Terrorism: an Overview', in *Research Handbook on International Law and Terrorism*, B.Saul (ed.), Ed. Elgar Pub. (2014), 335-360.
- * 'The Interplay between Human Rights and Humanitarian Law in the Fight against Terrorism', in v.d. Herik and Schrijver (eds.), *Counterterrorism Strategies in a Fragmented International Legal Order: Meeting the Challenges*, CUP (2013), 482-526.
- * 'Extraordinary Rendition: Challenging the Rule of Law', with S Kostas, in White and Samuel (eds), *Counter-Terrorism: International Law and Practice*, OUP (2012), 539-578.
- * 'Human Rights Litigation in Sub-regional African Courts: Towards Justice for Victims or Just More Fragmentation?' in v.d. Herik and Stahn, *The Diversification and Fragmentation of International Criminal Law International Law*, Martinus Nijhoff (2012), 163-184.
- * 'Hadijatou Mani v Niger: Slavery Unveiled by the ECOWAS Court', *Human Rights Law Review* (2009), 151-170.
- * 'Human Rights Litigation in the "War on Terror"', *International Review of the Red Cross*, Vol. 90 No. 871 (2008), 573-597.
- * 'Towards Global Responsibility for Human Rights Protection', *INTERIGHTS Bulletin*, Vol. 15.3 (2006), 104-109.
- * 'Sexual Orientation Discrimination; Comparative View of Commonwealth Jurisprudence', *BIHR* (2003).
- * 'Superior Responsibility in International Criminal Practice', *Croatian Jnl of International Law* (2003).
- * 'The Prosecution of Hissein Habre: the Pinochet Precedent?', Fischer and Kress (eds.), *International and National Prosecution of Crimes under International Law* (2001), 817-842.
- * 'Constitutional Compatibility with the ICC Statute: an Overview', *Duke J. Int. and Comp. Law* (2000), 5-38.
- * 'Implementation of the ICC Statute: International Obligations and Constitutional Considerations', in Kress and Latanzi, eds., *The Rome Statute and Domestic Legal Orders* (Vol. I, 2000), 29.
- * 'The International Criminal Court and National Courts', *Brown J. World Affairs* (1999, Vol. VI, Issue 1), 53-59.
- * 'Towards Eradicating Impunity: the Establishment of an International Criminal Court', *Social Justice: Journal of Crime, Conflict and World Order*, Vol. 26, No. 4 (1999), 115-124.
- * 'The Protection of National Security Information' in O. Triffterer (ed.), *Commentary on the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court* (1999), 937-946.
- * 'Third Party Information and the ICC', in O. Triffterer (ed.), *Commentary on the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court* (1999), 947-952.
- * *Justice in the Balance: towards a Fair, Effective and Independent International Criminal Court*, HRW publications, New York (1998).
- * 'La Verdad atrás de la Reconciliación' (The Truth Behind Reconciliation) in *Amnistia y Reconciliación Nacional: Encontrando el Camino de la Justicia*, e. Fund. Mack, Guatemala (1996).
- * 'Las Amnistías Vigentes en Guatemala; el Arma Secreta de la Impunidad en las Negociaciones de la Paz' ('Amnesties Already in Force in Guatemala: Impunity's Secret Weapon in the Peace Negotiations?'), *Revista el Debate*, November 1996.
- * 'La Pena de Muerte y las Obligaciones Internacionales del Estado Guatemalteco' ('The Death Penalty and Guatemala's International Obligations'), *Revista el Debate*, Guatemala City, October 1996.