



GARDEN COURT CHAMBERS

# Paul Troop

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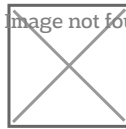


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Paul Troop specialises in human rights and civil liberties, both domestically and internationally. He has recently been instructed in cases involving discrimination, national security, the right to protest and universal jurisdiction. His domestic tribunal practice covers all aspects of employment and discrimination.

"A very committed and clever junior barrister."

LEGAL 500 UK, 2020

"Strong technical knowledge. A very able advocate."

LEGAL 500 UK, 2019

"An up-and-coming star."

LEGAL 500 UK, 2017

"A bright and able advocate, who also provides excellent written advice."

LEGAL 500, 2016

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"He has a strong international human rights practice."

LEGAL 500, 2015

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## INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS

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Paul has recently been instructed in cases involving discrimination, national security, the right to protest and universal jurisdiction. Paul has a particular interest in the Middle East and the region of the former Yugoslavia. He has appeared in a number of leading cases before the European Court of Human Rights as well as other international courts and tribunals such as the UN Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the Human Rights Advisory Panel for Kosovo.

Paul is included on the list of counsel for the International Criminal Court and the Special Tribunal for Lebanon. Paul also appears in domestic courts and tribunals where cases raise questions of international law, such as international arrest warrants and the right to protest.

### NOTABLE CASES

Past notable cases can be viewed below. [Click here to see a list of recent notable cases.](#)

***Balaj et al v Special Representative of the Secretary General of the UN*, Case numbers HRAP/04/07 and HRAP/320/09 Human Rights Advisory Panel for Kosovo (2006-present)**

Lead counsel for victims of fatal shooting by UN Police in Kosovo.

***Gulamhussein v UK and Tariq v UK (ECtHR), App nos 46538/11 and 3960/12, (2018) 67***

**E.H.R.R. SE2**

Challenge to 'closed material' / secret procedures in the employment context (*Tariq*) and the security vetting context (*Gulamhussein*).

***Kumar Lama, Central Criminal Court (2016)***

Counsel for victim seeking redress under the principle of 'universal jurisdiction' for alleged torture carried out in Nepal.

***Cerf v Turkey European Court of Human Rights, Application no. 12938/07 (2016)***

Lead counsel in successful case against respondent state for failure to investigate the murder of an activist suspected to have been carried out by state agents.

***Prosecutor v Haradinaj et al (retrial), IT-84-04-bis (UN ICTY) (2010-2012)***

Co-counsel. First retrial in the history of the international tribunals. All clients acquitted of all charges without putting forward defence evidence.

***Dorado and Dorado Ortiz v Spain (2012) ECHR 600 (ECtHR)***

Co-counsel. Represented a client seeking information from the government following the arrest and disappearance of a Member of Parliament during the Spanish civil war.

***Palić v Bosnia and Herzegovina (2011) ECHR 304 (ECtHR)***

Lead counsel in case concerning the kidnap and forced disappearance of Colonel Palić, commander of the Žepa enclave during war in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

***Home Office v Tariq [2011] UKSC 35, [2012] 1 AC 452, [2011] UKHRR 1060 (Supreme Court)***

ECHR and EU law challenge to the use of secret evidence in the Employment Tribunals.

***R v Mohammed Gul (Central Criminal Court) (2010) and (2011) (retrial)***

Individual accused of terrorist offences regarding videos depicting attacks on US and other armed forces. Defence raised issue of combatant immunity under international humanitarian law.

***G and Y v Home Office, Security Vetting Appeals Panel (SVAP), 4SCY 5/1/22 and 4SCY 5/1/29 (16 February 2010)***

Test case on compatibility of Security Vetting Appeal Panel secret processes with Article 6 ECHR.

***Prosecutor v Barton and others ('Raytheon II'), Belfast, Northern Ireland (2010)***

Lead counsel for Torrojo in case involving 14 defendants accused of assault, burglary and criminal damage to a

weapons factory. Client acquitted of all charges.

**Prosecutor v The Prosecutor v. Abdallah Banda Abakaer Nourain**, International Criminal Court (ICC-02/05-03/09)

Duty counsel assigned by the Registrar of the ICC on various occasions in 2010 and 2011.

**Prosecutor v Haradinaj**, UN ICTY Appeals Panel (IT-04-84-A) (2008-2010), and Trial Chamber (IT-04-84-T) (2006-2008)

Co-counsel. Represented third defendant acquitted of 33 out of 35 counts of war crimes and crimes against humanity. First case in the international tribunals where defendants all presented no affirmative case.

**Prosecutor v Šešelj**, IT-03-67-T, UN ICTY (2009)

Court appointed *amicus curiae* investigating allegations of contempt of court in case involving allegations of war crimes and crimes against humanity.

**Behrami and Behrami v France and Saramati v France, Norway, and Germany** ECtHR (Grand Chamber) 22 BHRC 477; (2007) 45 EHRR SE10

Victims of failures to mark cluster bomb site and individual detained for security reasons by the Kosovo Force (KFOR) in Kosovo. Leading case on responsibility of troop-contributing nations to international organisations.

**V v H** (2007)

Multijurisdictional sex discrimination case against a commercial bank. Settled for a seven-figure sum.

**Rutherford and Bentley v Secretary of State for Trade & Industry (No 2)** (2006) UKHL 19 (House of Lords)

Age discrimination case affecting the equality rights of over 300,000 workers.

**Co-counsel Blečić v Croatia**, ECtHR (Grand Chamber) [2006] ECHR 207, (2006) 43 EHRR 48, 20 BHRC 1

Montenegrin client alleging discriminatory cancellation of occupancy rights as policy of ethnic cleansing. Leading case on admissibility *ratione temporis*.

**Application for Arrest Warrant against Doron Almog, Bow Street Magistrates' Court, 10** (September 2005)

First successful application for an arrest warrant for war crimes under the Geneva Conventions Act 1957.

**Application for Arrest Warrant Against General Shaul Mofaz**

Application for arrest warrant for war crimes pursuant to the Geneva Conventions Act 1957. The case was

reported in the International and Comparative Law Quarterly vol 53, (July 2004) pp 769-774.

***Iron and Steel Trades Confederation v ASW Ltd (in liquidation)* [2004] IRLR 928**

***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 (P) v LB Newham* (2001) 4 CCL Rep 48**

## DISCRIMINATION

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## **EMPLOYMENT AND DISCRIMINATION LAW**

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## **BACKGROUND**

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Paul was called to the Bar of Northern Ireland in 2010. He is also a doctoral candidate at University College London.

## TRAINING AND SEMINARS

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Course Convenor, Law and Expert Evidence, UCL Department of Crime Science

Associate Lecturer, Faculty of Law and Business, the Open University

## EDUCATION

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**LLB (Hons) (Birmingham)**

**MA (KCL)**

**PhD Candidate (UCL)**

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