

Public Law & Human Rights: research impact



We present our research in Public law & human rights at conferences throughout the world, publish widely, and have advised a range of policy makers. Below is a list of some of the recent activity in this area.

- In July 2014 **Graham Gee** (</staff/profiles/law/gee-graham.aspx>) gave evidence to the House of Lords Select Committee on the Constitution as part of its inquiry into the office of Lord Chancellor.
- In May 2014 **Graham Gee** (</staff/profiles/law/gee-graham.aspx>) and Robert Hazell (UCL) presented some of the findings of a three-year AHRC-funded research project on *The Politics of Judicial Independence* at a meeting of the Judicial Executive Board (which is effectively the “judicial cabinet” in England and Wales).
- In late 2013 **Sophie Boyron** (</staff/profiles/law/boyron-sophie.aspx>) gave evidence to the House Commons Political and Constitutional Reform Committee as part of its inquiry into the role of the judiciary in the event of the UK adopting a codified constitution. Sophie’s evidence was cited in the Committee’s report, which was published in May 2014.
- In January 2014 **Graham Gee** (</staff/profiles/law/gee-graham.aspx>) co-organized a conference on judicial independence at St George’s House Windsor Castle. The conference was attended by senior judges from across the UK, politicians, officials and academics from the UK and Canada.
- In 2011 **Sophie Boyron** (</staff/profiles/law/boyron-sophie.aspx>) gave evidence to the House of Commons Political and Constitutional Reform Committee as part of its inquiry on *Mapping the Path to Codifying—Or Not Codifying—the UK’s Constitution*.
- **Adrian Hunt’s** (</staff/profiles/law/hunt-adrian.aspx>) work on counter-terrorism law and human rights was cited by the UK Parliament’s Joint Committee on Human Rights.
- **Adrian Hunt** (</staff/profiles/law/hunt-adrian.aspx>) has worked as a consultant for the Council of Europe and the OSCE on aspects of counter-terrorism law and human rights.
- **Graham Gee** (</staff/profiles/law/gee-graham.aspx>) is working on a three-year AHRC-funded project on *The Politics of Judicial Independence in Britain’s Changing Constitution* (with colleagues from UCL and Queen Mary). The project, which is strongly supported by the Ministry of Justice and the Lord Chief Justice, includes a series of seminars across the lifetime of the project involving judges, officials, politicians and other stakeholders. Seminars have been held at the UK Parliament and the UK Supreme Court.
- **Graham Gee’s** (</staff/profiles/law/gee-graham.aspx>) written evidence on the confirmation process to the United States Supreme Court was cited by the House of Lords Constitution Committee in its 2012 report on *Judicial Appointments*.
- **Graham Gee’s** (</staff/profiles/law/gee-graham.aspx>) essay on ‘The Politics of Judicial Appointments in Canada’ was cited in written evidence submitted by the Judicial Appointments Commission to the House of Lords Constitution Committee.