

Holdsworth Presidents



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- 2012-2013 **RT HON LORD DYSON** (<http://www.judiciary.gov.uk/Resources/JCO/Documents/Speeches/mr-speech-compensation-culture.pdf>), Master of the Rolls [[youtube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rbDDHd6vZEI)] (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rbDDHd6vZEI>)
- 2011-2012 **RT HON LORD NEUBERGER OF ABBOTSBURY** (<http://www.judiciary.gov.uk/Resources/JCO/Documents/Speeches/mr-speech-holdsworth-lecture-2012.pdf>), Master of the Rolls
- 2010-2011 SIR CHRISTOPHER GREENWOOD
- 2009-2010 **LORD HOPE OF CRAIGHEAD** (</Documents/college-artslaw/law/holdsworth-address/holdsworth09-10-hope.pdf>)
- 2008-2009 **LORD WALKER OF GESTINGTHORPE** (</Documents/college-artslaw/law/holdsworth-address/holdsworth08-09-walker.pdf>)
- 2007-2008 **PROFESSOR SIR FRANCIS JACOBS** (</Documents/college-artslaw/law/holdsworth-address/holdsworth07-08-jacobs.pdf>)
- 2006-2007 **RT HON LORD MANCE** (</Documents/college-artslaw/law/holdsworth-address/holdsworth06-07-mance.pdf>)
- 2005-2006 **RT HON LORD JUSTICE SEDLEY** (</Documents/college-artslaw/law/holdsworth-address/holdsworth05-06-sedley.pdf>)
- 2004-2005 **RT HON LORD JUSTICE CARNWATH** (</Documents/college-artslaw/law/holdsworth-address/holdsworth04-05-carnwath.pdf>)
- 2003-2004 THE HON SIR MICHAEL DAVIES
- 2002-2003 RT HON LORD PHILLIPS OF WORTH MATRAVERS, Master of the Rolls
- 2001-2002 RT HON LORD STEYN
- 2000-2001 RT HON LORD JUSTICE OTTON
- 1999-2000 RT HON LADY JUSTICE ARDEN
- 1998-99 HER EXCELLENCY JUDGE ROSALYN HIGGINS, Judge of the International Court of Justice
- 1997-98 RT HON LORD RODGER OF EARLSFERRY, Lord President
- 1996-97 RT HON LORD WOOLF OF BARNES, Master of the Rolls
- 1995-96 RT HON LORD MUSTILL
- 1994-95 RT HON SIR RICHARD SCOTT, Vice Chancellor
- 1993-94 RT HON SIR THOMAS BINGHAM, Master of the Rolls
- 1992-93 RT HON LORD SLYNN OF HADLEY
- 1986-97 RT HON LORD GRIFFITHS
- 1991-92 RT HON LORD ACKNER
- 1990-91 RT HON SIR NICOLAS BROWNE-WILKINSON
- 1989-90 RT HON SIR STEPHEN BROWN
- 1988-89 RT HON LORD OLIVER OF AYLMEYTON
- 1987-88 RT HON LORD GOFF OF CHIEVELEY
- 1985-86 THE HON LORD MACKENZIE STUART, President of the Court of Justice of the European Communities
- 1984-85 RT HON SIR JOHN DONALDSON, Master of the Rolls
- 1983-84 RT HON LORD TEMPLEMAN
- 1982-83 PROFESSOR JC SMITH, CBE, QC, LLD, FBA
- 1981-82 RT HON LORD BRIDGE OF HARWICH
- 1980-81 RT HON LORD ROSKILL
- 1979-80 RT HON LORD JUSTICE ORMROD
- 1978-79 RT HON LORD SCARMAN
- 1977-78 RT HON LORD DENNING, DCL, LLD, Master of the Rolls
- 1976-77 RT HON LORD EDMUND-DAVIES, LLD

- 1975–76 RT HON LORD JUSTICE JAMES
- 1974–75 RT HON LORD KILBRANDON, LLD, DSC (SOC SCI)
- 1973–74 RT HON LORD SALMON
- 1972–73 RT HON LORD CROSS OF CHELSEA
- 1971–72 RT HON LORD HAILSHAM OF ST MARY MARYLEBONE, Lord Chancellor
- 1970–71 HON LORD CAMERON, DSC, LLD, Senator of the Court of Justice in Scotland, Lord of Session
- 1969–70 HON MR JUSTICE MEGARRY, LLD, FBA
- 1968–69 RT HON LORD JUSTICE RUSSELL
- 1967–68 RT HON LORD GARDINER, Lord Chancellor
- 1966–67 RT HON LORD DENNING, DCL, LLD, Master of the Rolls
- 1965–66 RT HON LORD WILBERFORCE, CMG, OBE
- 1964–65 RT HON LORD JUSTICE DIPLOCK
- 1963–64 RT HON SIR JOCELYN SIMON, D-en-Dr, President of the Probate, Divorce and Admiralty Division
- 1962–63 RT HON LORD MACDERMOTT, MC LLD, Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland
- 1961–62 RT HON LORD HODSON, MC
- 1960–61 RT HON LORD JUSTICE DEVLIN
- 1959–60 RT HON LORD COHEN
- 1958–59 SIR CARLETON KEMP-ALLEN, MC, QC, DCL, FBA, JP
- 1957–58 RT HON LORD JUSTICE MORRIS, CBE, MC, LLD, DL
- 1956–57 RT HON LORD KEITH OF AVONHOLM, LLD
- 1955–56 RT HON VISCOUNT KILMUIR, GCVO, DCL, LLD, Lord Chancellor
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- 1953–54 RT HON LORD JUSTICE BIRKETT, LLD
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- 1951–52 PROFESSOR A L GOODHART, KBE, QC, DCL, LLD, FBA, Master of University College, Oxford
- 1950–51 RT HON EARL JOWITT, DCI, LLD, Lord Chancellor
- 1949–50 RT HON LORD JUSTICE DENNING
- 1948–49 SIR ARNOLD McNAIR, CBE, KC, LLD, DCL, FBA, Judge of the International Court of Justice
- 1947–48 RT HON LORD DU PARCQ, LLD
- 1946–47 RT HON LORD OAKSEY, DSO, DCL
- 1945–46 RT HON LORD JUSTICE SOMERVELL, OBE
- 1944–45 RT HON VISCOUNT BENNETT, KC, LLD
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- 1942–43 RT HON VISCOUNT SIMON, GCSI, GCVO, DCL, LLD, Lord Chancellor
- 1941–42 RT HON LORD JUSTICE MACKINNON
- 1940–41 RT HON LORD NORMAND, LLD, Lord President of the Court of Session
- 1939–40 RT HON LORD PORTER, LLD
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- 1937–38 RT HON LORD GREENE, DCL, Master of the Rolls
- 1936–37 DEAN ROSCOE POUND, LLD
- 1935–36 RT HON VISCOUNT HAILSHAM, LLD, Lord Chancellor
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- 1933–34 RT HON LORD MERRIVALE
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