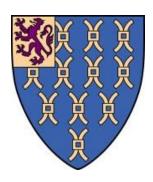
## The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn



## International and European Scholarships and Awards

Johan Steyn Scholarship to the ICC, The Hague

Peter Duffy Scholarship to the ECtHR, Strasbourg

Nicolas Bratza Scholarship to the ECtHR, Strasbourg

EFTA Court Scholarship, Luxembourg

Paul Heim Education Award

# Johan Steyn ICC The Hague

**Duration: 6 Months** 

Funding: £9,000

www.icc-cpi.int



## **Eligibility**

This scholarship is open to members of Lincoln's Inn only. We accept applications from student members and those under five years call.

Applicants need to demonstrate a genuine interest in the work of the ICC and good knowledge of International and Criminal Law to enable them to participate fully in the work of the ICC at The Hague.

#### **About the Court**

The International Criminal Court (ICC) investigates and, where warranted, tries individuals charged with the gravest crimes of concern to the international community: genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity.

#### **About the Placement**

Please be aware that if you are successful in securing this scholarship you will be required to make a separate application to an internship or visiting professional position at the Court. For more details on the positions available and requirements please visit the <u>vacancies section of ICC website</u>.

## **ECtHR Scholarships**

**Duration: 3 Months** 

Funding: £4,500

### www.echr.coe.int

 Peter Duffy Scholarship with the UK Division

Nicolas Bratza Scholarship
 with the Research Division



## Eligibility

This scholarship is open to members of Lincoln's Inn only. We accept applications from student members and those under five years call.

Applicants need to demonstrate a genuine interest in the work of the ECtHR and good knowledge of human rights law to enable them to participate fully in the work of the ECtHR in Strasbourg.

#### **About the Court**

The European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) is an international court set up in 1959. It rules on individual or State applications alleging violations of the civil and political rights set out in the European Convention on Human Rights.

### **About the Placement**

The Peter Duffy scholars will be attached to the UK division of the court. For more information you can read former Scholar <u>Jack Meek's report on his experience</u>.

The Nicolas Bratza scholar will be attached to the Research Division of the court. For more information you can read former Scholar <u>Tetevi Davi's report on his experience</u>.

## **EFTA Court Luxembourg**

**Duration: 3 Months** 

Funding: €2,500 per month

www.eftacourt.int



## **Eligibility**

This scholarship is open to members of any Inn. We accept applications from student members and those under five years call.

Applicants need to demonstrate a genuine interest in the work of the court in Luxembourg and good knowledge of European Law to enable them to participate fully in the work in of the court Luxembourg.

This Scholarship will be awarded to at least one candidate and is funded solely by the court.

#### **About the Court**

The EFTA Court fulfils the judicial function within the EFTA system, interpreting the Agreement on the European Economic Area with regard to the EFTA States party to the Agreement.

#### **About the Placement**

This scholarship is not provided by Lincoln's Inn but by the EFTA Court and administered by the Inn on their behalf. The funds are therefore paid to the scholar in Euros as a salary during their three-month placement.

## **Paul Heim Education Award**

Funding: Variable, dependant on the cost of course

The Lincoln's Inn Education Award aims to encourage the study of European, international and human rights law by providing funding for at least one student per year to undertake a short course of study in one of these fields which will further their aim of practising in the relevant area of law. Students will need to secure their own place on their chosen course. Some examples of appropriate courses are the Academy of European Law Summer Schools in Human Rights and European Law, The Hague Academy of International Law, the EUIC Venice Summer School in Human Rights and the Institute for European Studies Summer School but the panel will consider applications from candidates wishing to undertake any other similar course of study.

## **Overseas Placement Fund**

In addition to the five scholarships available, the Inn also has an Overseas Placement Fund to assist students and young barristers to undertake human rights law internships. These have included visits to Greece to work with Syrian Refugees, working on death row cases in America and placements with the Women's Legal Centre, Cape Town.

To apply for funding applicants are asked to submit an application form with a copy of the contract / letter of appointment to Emma Jeffery <a href="mailto:Emma.Jeffery@lincolnsinn.org.uk">Emma.Jeffery@lincolnsinn.org.uk</a>. The application form can be found on our website <a href="https://www.lincolnsinn.org.uk">www.lincolnsinn.org.uk</a>.

The Inn cannot fully fund the placements but can make a contribution.

## **How to Apply**

Applicants are required to complete our online application form. The link to this can be found on our International Scholarships page of our website once applications have opened on 22 January 2021.

The deadline for applying for the scholarships is **10:00am on Friday 19 February 2021;** applications received after this date will not be considered.

Interviews will take place on 19 and 22 March 2021.

The Johan Steyn Scholarship, Peter Duffy Scholarship, Nicolas Bratza Scholarship, and Paul Heim Education Award, are only open to members of Lincoln's Inn. The EFTA Court Scholarship is open to members of all Inns. Applicants are welcome to apply for more than one scholarship.

## **Thoughts from Our Scholars**

My time in Strasbourg was the opportunity of a lifetime. It was academically challenging but overwhelmingly rewarding. I was able to examine substantive applications and worked to positively assist real human rights cases, a feat unique to this opportunity. I learnt more about human rights law in 3 months than ever before, was able to see fantastic advocacy in Grand Chamber hearings and living in Strasbourg, engaging with the culture was brilliant. I loved it. **Katherine Gittins, ECtHR Strasbourg 2014.** 

My time at the Court was an experience like none other, I have had the opportunity to work in many institutions, but this was by far the most positive experience I have had the pleasure of having. Not only was I entrusted with vital research tasks that went to core issues in judges deliberations, everyone at the Court appreciated the work you produce and makes sure you are aware of that. **Rachelle Harrison, ICC The Hague 2016.** 

To name just a few personal highlights from my time at the court, I conducted legal research on a number of discrete points of law, produced a written opinion on a number of live cases and drafted a mock *rapport prélable*. The best part of the experience was undoubtedly, however, the chance to discuss my work with Judge Vajda and to debate my views on cases with him. This enabled me to develop my confidence in expressing and defending my legal opinions. I had an interesting, varied and intellectually challenging two months at the Court of Justice and I now looking forward to applying all that I have learnt as I start my BPTC in September. **Harriet Wakeman, CJEU Luxembourg 2016.** 

## **Thoughts from Our Scholars**

### Mental Disability Advocacy Centre, Budapest, Martin Ferguson

I am extremely grateful to the Inn for enabling me to contribute to the work described above. There is a tremendous amount of work to be done in Hungary before people with mental health issues enjoy basic rights and freedoms that should be the norm in any society. Without the dedicated work of MDAC and the determination of its advocates, there is a startlingly small amount being done to pressure governments across Europe and Africa into amending legislation and policy affecting people with mental health issues. The support I was able to provide was extremely gratefully received by MDAC and I do believe that even the few weeks I was able to spend supporting the team will have some impact on advancing the rights of people with mental health issues in Hungary.

I also gained a tremendous amount from the time spent working with lawyers and advocates from a range of backgrounds, and it was an insightful and humbling experience. Having just finished the BPTC the opportunity enabled me to utilise many of the skills I had developed during my studies, but it also reminded me of how crucial practical, varied and meaningful work is to advancing my ability as a barrister.

Report from several of our former scholars can be found on the publications section of our website.