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Professor Gordon Anthony

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Practice areas:

Public Law



Practice Profile

- Barrister in Northern Ireland (called 2011).
- Academic Tenant FTB (joined 2020).
- Areas of practice: public law generally and judicial review in particular; human rights law.
- Professor of Public Law, Queen's University, Belfast.
- Director the Academy of European Public Law, Athens, Greece.
- Areas of expertise: constitutional law (especially devolution); administrative law; tort law.

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Cases of Note

Gordon Anthony has acted as Junior Counsel in some of Northern Ireland's leading constitutional cases:

- Re Waring's Application [2019] NICA 49 (on the lawfulness of the UK government's pursuit of a "no deal" Brexit)
- Re Buick's Application [2018] NICA 26 (on the powers of civil servants in the absence of a functioning Executive in Northern Ireland)
- Re Agnew's Application [2017] UKSC 5 (on the legalities of triggering Article 50 TEU heard with, and reported alongside, Miller I)

He also appeared in a range of leading human rights cases, including *Re McKenna's Application* [2019] NICA 46 (on the state's duty to investigate the use of torture during internment) and *Re the Committee on the Administration of Justice's Application* [2015] NIQB 59 (on the Northern Ireland Executive's failure to adopt an anti-poverty strategy in accordance with section 28E of the Northern Ireland Act 1998). He has provided opinions on a range of legal issues for public bodies and private clients.

Selected Publications

Books

- Textbook on Administrative Law (Oxford University Press, 8th ed, 2016, with Peter Leyland)
- Judicial Review in Northern Ireland (Hart Publishing/Bloomsbury, Oxford, 2nd ed, 2014)
- Values in Global Administrative Law (Hart Publishing, Oxford, 2011, edited by Gordon Anthony, Jean-Bernard Auby, John Morison, and Tom Zwart)
- Judges, Transition, and Human Rights (2007 Oxford: Oxford University Press, edited by John Morison, K. McEvoy and G. Anthony)
- UK Public Law and European Law: The Dynamics of Legal Integration (Hart Publishing, Oxford, 2002)

Book Chapters and Journal Articles

- 'Brexit and Devolution' in S Kadelbach (ed), Brexit And What it Means (Nomos: Baden Baden 2019) p 57
- 'Brexit and the Common Law Constitution' (2018) 24 European Public Law 673
- 'Administrative Justice in the United Kingdom' (2015) 7 Italian Journal of Public Law 9-33
- 'Public Interest and the Three Dimension of Judicial Review' (2013) 64 Northern Ireland Legal Quarterly 125-142
- 'Article 6 ECHR, Civil Rights, and the Enduring Role of the Common Law' (2013) 19 European Public Law 75-96

Briefing papers

- 'Devolution, Brexit, and the Sewel Convention' Constitution Society, 24 April 2018
- 'Brexit and the Irish Border: Legal and Political Questions', Royal Irish Academy British Academy, October 2017

Degrees and Appointments

- LLB (1994); MSSc (1995 with Distinction); PhD (1999)
- Hamlyn Trustee 2018-
- Member of the Conseil d'Orientation de la Chaire Mutations de l'Action Publique et du Droit Public, Sciences Po, Paris, 2013-2018
- Director the Academy of European Public law, Athens, Greece, 2014-present
- Member of the European Group of Public Law, 2004-present
- Judicial Extern, Federal District Courts, Los Angeles, 1993

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