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Year of Call: 2011

Practice Areas

- Civil Fraud
- Inquests
- Insurance
- Personal Injury
- Public Law

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Experience

Anthony practises in public and private law. He has particular experience in immigration, prison law, police law, coroners' inquests and civil damages claims.

Anthony was appointed to the Attorney General's C Panel in March 2019.

Public Law

Anthony acts both for and against public bodies in a broad range of public law matters, including judicial review proceedings, civil claims against public bodies and other proceedings in which issues of public law arise.

He has particular experience in immigration law and the related fields of asylum, human rights, nationality, unlawful detention and human trafficking. He has appeared regularly in the First-tier Tribunal, Upper Tribunal, High Court and the Court of Appeal. He has been instructed recently by the Home Secretary in cases before the Administrative Court challenging her policy on victims of trafficking.

In the field of prison law, Anthony has advised and represented the Ministry of Justice in judicial review challenges to prisoner security categorisation, licence conditions and Parole Board decisions. He also has experience of judicial review and civil damages claims brought by prisoners raising issues of Articles 2, 3, 5, 8 and 14 ECHR.

Police Law

Anthony has acted in a number of cases related to police misconduct, including judicial review challenges, appeals (now reviews) under the Police Reform Act 2002 (as amended) and substantive police disciplinary proceedings. Examples of recent judicial review claims in the field of policing in which Anthony has acted include:

- *R (M) v IOPC & CPS (2019)*. Ongoing case related in which the claimant challenges the CPS' decision not to prosecute a family member for alleged serious sexual offences and the IOPC's decision not to uphold her complaint against the Met Police.
- *R (Coghlan) v IPCC, Cheshire Police & Greater Manchester Police (2017)*. Claimant unsuccessfully challenged the IPCC's decision not to uphold his complaint that the police deliberately suppressed disclosure of exculpatory material to the CPS following his arrest on suspicion of murder.

Anthony has appeared in police misconduct proceedings arising from a range of allegations, including discrimination, use of excessive force and honesty and integrity. In 2018, he represented the IPCC in the 'abuse of process' hearing arising from the death of Julian Cole while in police custody. Three police officers were subsequently dismissed for gross misconduct.

In 2017, Anthony spent six months on secondment with the legal team for the Independent Office for Police Conduct ('IOPC', formerly the IPCC).

Inquests

Anthony represents public authorities and families in coroners' inquests (both with and without a jury). He has been involved in inquests arising from workplace accidents; deaths in custody and road traffic accidents.

Anthony's experience in coronial matters includes advising the Coroners, Burials, Cremation and Inquiries Policy Team within the Ministry of Justice.

Private Law

Anthony maintains a busy private law practice, with a particular focus on personal injury and insurance litigation. He represents claimants and defendants in all areas of personal injury law. He appears regularly in fast and multi-track trials, applications, CMCs and CCMCs.

He has acted in civil claims arising from assaults and accidents

in prisons, unlawful detention, misfeasance in public office and human rights and data protection breaches.

He has significant experience advising motor insurers on coverage and indemnity disputes, motor insurance fraud and their liability under the Road Traffic Act 1988 and the European Communities (Rights against Insurers) Regulations 2002.

Education

- BPTC (Outstanding), College of Law (2011)
- GDL (Distinction), BPP Law School (2010)
- BA (Hons) English Language and Literature (First Class),
- University of Leeds (2009)

Memberships

Administrative Law Bar Association
Personal Injuries Bar Association
Advocate

Publications

TGC Fraud Newsletter Issue VI - September 2017

21/09/2017

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News

Anthony Lenanton appointed to Crown C Panel

22/01/2019

Barristers involved: Anthony Lenanton

TGC offers congratulations to Anthony Lenanton on his appointment to the London C Panel of Junior Counsel to the Crown by the Attorney General with effect from 1 March 2019.

Anthony Lenanton acts for the IOPC in “abuse of process” hearing

28/09/2018

Barristers involved: Anthony Lenanton

In the early hours of 6 May 2013, Julian Cole suffered a catastrophic neck injury in an altercation on a street in Bedford involving nightclub door staff and police officers.

The Independent Office for Police Conduct (formerly the Independent Police Complaints Commission) carried out an independent investigation and reached the opinion that four officers had a case to answer for gross misconduct.

While it is not alleged that any of the officers caused Mr Coles' injury, they now face disciplinary proceedings brought by Bedfordshire Police in relation to the way they dealt with Mr Cole in the immediate aftermath and the truthfulness of their accounts of what happened.

The officers applied for the case against them to be dismissed without hearing any evidence on the ground that delay in bringing the proceedings and prejudice caused by the delay was such that they were unable to have a fair hearing.

Following two days of legal argument the Panel dismissed the officers' application. The disciplinary proceedings are proceeding to a full merits hearing, commencing on 8 October 2018.

You can view the publication at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-beds-bucks-herts-45683342>

Anthony Lenanton acts for the IPCC in Article 5 ECHR claim.

16/11/2017

Barristers involved: Anthony Lenanton

In 2012, the Claimant was arrested by the Metropolitan Police Service on suspicion of harassment. He was charged but acquitted.

The Claimant subsequently complained to the MPS, who dismissed his complaint. He appealed to the IPCC who upheld his complaint in part. The Claimant sought further information from the IPCC about the reasons for his arrest, but his request was declined.

He subsequently commenced proceedings in the county court alleging that the IPCC's refusal to provide further disclosure was a breach of his Article 5(2) rights and entitled him to an order compelling disclosure and damages.

The IPCC applied for summary judgment and the Claimant made a cross-application to strike out the Defence. The matter came before HHJ Freeland QC at Central London County Court who heard submissions from both sides over the course of a full day.

In a reserved judgment, the Judge granted summary judgment to the IPCC and dismissed the claim. The Judge accepted the IPCC's submissions that the rationale underlying Article 5(2), a buffer against arbitrary arrest, could not apply months later when the IPCC are determining a complaint. Further, Article 5 does not oblige the IPCC, to remedy the failings of another organ of state, here the MPS.

Anthony Lenanton represented the IPCC at the summary judgment hearing.

Anthony Lenanton acts for the IPCC in judicial review challenge

06/11/2017

Barristers involved: Anthony Lenanton

In February 2010, the Claimant, Arran Coghlan was charged with the murder of Stephen Akinyemi after he was shot and killed. In July 2010, the CPS elected to offer no evidence on the murder charge.

Mr Coghlan subsequently complained that Cheshire Police had deliberately delayed or suppressed disclosure of exculpatory material to the CPS.

The IPCC investigated and produced a report in December 2016 which did not uphold the complaint.

In February 2017, at the inquest into Mr Akinyemi's death the coroner reached a narrative conclusion that Mr Akinyemi died during a struggle with the Claimant, who acted in reasonable self-defence.

Mr Coghlan brought judicial review proceedings against the IPCC seeking an order quashing the report and a re-investigation. Cheshire Police and Greater Manchester Police were added to the claim as interested parties.

Anthony Lenanton acted for the IPCC in drafting the Summary Grounds of Defence and at the renewed oral permission hearing, at which the Claimant was refused permission to proceed by Kerr J in the Administrative Court in Manchester.

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Court of Appeal grants permission to appeal in Article 8 case

27/07/2016

Barristers involved: Anthony Lenanton

The Appellant, who had acted previously without legal representation, is challenging the Upper Tribunal's determination that she failed to meet the requirements for leave to remain in the UK as a Tier 1 (General) Migrant under the Points Based System.

The Appellant sought permission to appeal against the Upper Tribunal's determination on a number of grounds, but was refused permission on the papers by Lord Justice Elias.

Anthony Lenanton represented the Appellant at the renewed oral permission hearing before Lady Justice Black. The sole ground of appeal pursued at the hearing was in relation to Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights. Black LJ granted permission to appeal to the Court on the basis that the Upper Tribunal (and also the First-tier Tribunal) had arguably failed to consider and determine the Appellant's Article 8 claim. Black LJ recorded that the potential future significance of this failure for the Appellant and her family was a 'compelling reason' why permission to appeal should be granted.

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The inquests into the deaths resulting from the Hillsborough Stadium Disaster have concluded

27/04/2016

Barristers involved: Andrew O'Connor QC Dominic Adamson QC William Irwin Anthony Lenanton Piers Taylor Matthew Waszak
Andrew O'Connor QC, Dominic Adamson, William Irwin, Anthony Lenanton, Piers Taylor and Matthew Waszak represented the Independent Police Complaints Commission at the inquests. The IPCC's investigation continues.

