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Registered name on the Bar Standards Board Register: Professor Andrew Li-Teik Choo

Year of call: 2002



Main Areas of Practice

Criminal
Criminal Due Process
Human Rights

Andrew's part-time practice at the Bar encompasses crime, criminal due process and human rights law. In addition to his practice at Matrix, Andrew is a full-time Professor at Brunel University.

After studying for degrees in commerce and law at the University of New South Wales in Sydney from 1981 until 1985, Andrew then qualified as a solicitor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales in 1986. He proceeded to the University of Oxford to undertake postgraduate studies, taking his doctorate in 1991 with a thesis on "the relation between pre-trial executive improprieties and the outcome of the criminal trial".

Andrew has been a full-time academic since the completion of his doctorate. He was a lecturer at the University of New South Wales in 1991, and then a lecturer (from 1991 until 1994) and reader (in 1995 and 1996) at the University of Leicester. He then held a professorship of law at Brunel University from 1997 until 2005 before becoming a professor at the University of Warwick in January 2006. In July 2011 he took up the post of Professor of English Law at Brunel University.

As an academic Andrew's research interests include evidence and procedure (especially criminal evidence). He is the author of numerous articles and of four books: *Abuse of Process and Judicial Stays of Criminal Proceedings* (2nd Ed. Oxford University Press, 2008), *Hearsay and Confrontation in Criminal Trials* (Oxford University Press, 1996), *Evidence: Text and Materials* (Longman, 1998) and *Evidence* (2nd edition, Oxford University Press, 2009). Andrew's published work has been influential and has been cited in the decisions of various appellate courts, including decisions of the House of Lords, the Privy Council, the UK Supreme Court and the Supreme Court of Canada. Andrew is a member of the editorial board of the *International Journal of Evidence and Proof*.

Andrew joined Matrix as an academic member in 2002, utilising the fast-track route to the Bar available to teachers of the law of experience and distinction. He was motivated by a desire to combine academic work with part-time practice.

Selected Books

Evidence (2nd edition, Oxford University Press, 2009)

Evidence: Text and Materials (Longman, 1998)

Hearsay and Confrontation in Criminal Trials (Oxford University Press, 1996)

Abuse of Process and Judicial Stays of Criminal Proceedings (2nd edition, Oxford University Press, 2008)

Selected Articles

'Coroners and Justice Act 2009: The "Witness Anonymity" and "Investigation Anonymity" Provisions'
[2010] *Criminal Law Review* 368-388 (with David Ormerod and Rachel L Easter)

'Improperly Obtained Evidence in the Commonwealth: Lessons for England and Wales?'
(2007) 11 *International Journal of Evidence and Proof* 75-105 (with Susan Nash)

'Evidence Law in England and Wales: The Impact of the Human Rights Act 1998'
(2003) 7 *International Journal of Evidence and Proof* 31-61 (with Susan Nash)

'The Exclusion of Improperly Obtained Evidence in England and Wales: A Continuing Saga'
In C M Breur, M M Kommer, J F Nijboer and J M Reijntjes (eds), *New Trends in Criminal Investigation and Evidence: Volume II* (Antwerp: Intersentia, 2000) 127-140 (with Susan Nash)

'The Legal Aspects of Undercover Police Operations in England and Wales'
(1999) 2 *International Journal of Police Science & Management* 144-55

'What's the Matter with Section 78?'
[1999] *Criminal Law Review* 929-940 (with Susan Nash)

'Halting Criminal Prosecutions: The Abuse of Process Doctrine Revisited'
[1995] *Criminal Law Review* 864-874

'Ex parte Bennett: The Demise of the Male Captus, Bene Detentus Doctrine in England?'
5 *Criminal Law Forum* 165-179 (1994)

'The Notion of Relevance and Defence Evidence'
[1993] *Criminal Law Review* 114-126

'Confessions and Corroboration: A Comparative Perspective'
[1991] *Criminal Law Review* 867-877

'A Defence of Entrapment'
(1990) 53 *Modern Law Review* 453-471

'Abuse of Process and Pre-Trial Delay: A Structured Approach'
(1989) 13 *Criminal Law Journal* 178-187

Appointments

From 2011 Professor of English Law, Brunel University

2006 - 2011 Professor of Law, University of Warwick

From July 2002 Academic Member, Matrix

1997 - 2005 Professor of Law, Brunel University

1995 - 1996 Reader in Law, University of Leicester

1991 - 1994 Lecturer in Law, University of Leicester

1991 Lecturer in Law, University of New South Wales, Sydney

Academic, Professional and Other Qualifications

Barrister (Inner Temple) (2002)

DPhil Oxford (1991)

BCom, LLB New South Wales (1986)

FTCL (1984)

LMusA (1982)