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Short Biography & Selected Texts on the Non-Punishment Provision

Parosha Chandran is a human rights barrister at One Pump Court, a specialist in modern slavery law and a world-leading expert on the law relating to human trafficking, including for the United Nations, the Council of Europe and Commonwealth States. She represents adult and child victims of modern slavery and human trafficking in their court cases and has set critical legal trafficking precedents in the asylum, slavery, criminal non-punishment, civil and public law fields. She has been practicing at the Bar of England and Wales for 24 years and holds a Master of Laws degree from the University of London and specialist qualifications in human rights from Strasbourg, France.

Parosha has contributed to numerous international legal guidance texts on trafficking (*available on request*), provides judicial, prosecutorial and legal training and has advised on domestic and international legislation including the Modern Slavery Act 2015. She has received many honours for her work including the **'Trafficking in Persons Hero Award 2015'** which she received from the Obama administration and Secretary of State John Kerry in Washington DC for her work in developing the rule of law on trafficking in the UK and abroad and for her *'unparalleled achievements in providing legal services to survivors of modern slavery'*.

She is Senior Legal Advisor to the UK Parliament's Modern Slavery Project, supporting Commonwealth States to improve their trafficking and modern slavery laws and special legal advisor on orphanage trafficking to Lumos, JK Rowling's children's foundation. She is also the independent legal advisor to UNICEF UK. She is the published author of two books and the General Editor of the leading textbook, *Human Trafficking Handbook: Recognising Trafficking and Modern-Day Slavery in the UK* (LexisNexis, 2011).

In 2018 she received the distinction of being appointed the first Professor of Practice in Modern Slavery Law at King's College London where she now teaches her own LLM course. She continues to practice and maintains her advisory roles.

Selected References to Parosha Chandran's precedent-setting work concerning the Non-Punishment of Victims of Human Trafficking:

Precedent-Setting Cases:

UK Domestic

R. v O [2008] EWCA Crim 2835 (02 September 2008)

URL: <http://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWCA/Crim/2008/2835.html>

R v L & Others (21 June 2013)

URL: <http://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWCA/Crim/2013/991.html>

European Court of Human Rights

A.N. v U.K. Application No.74603/12 (16 March 2021)

ECtHR Judgment

<https://hudoc.echr.coe.int/eng#%7B%22itemid%22:%5B%22001-207927%22%5D%7D>

ECtHR Legal Summary

<https://hudoc.echr.coe.int/eng#%7B%22itemid%22:%5B%22002-13143%22%5D%7D>

ECtHR Press release

<https://hudoc.echr.coe.int/eng#%7B%22itemid%22:%5B%22003-6940249-9330764%22%5D%7D>

Expert Contributor to Relevant International Publications:

- UN Special Rapporteur on Trafficking in Persons, Special Position Paper on *“The importance of implementing the non-punishment provision: the obligation to protect victims”*, 30 July 2020 (Legal Advisor)

Press Release:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Trafficking/Pages/non-punishment.aspx>

UN Paper:

<https://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Issues/Trafficking/Non-Punishment-Paper.pdf>

- Council of Europe HELP Project e-learning comprehensive training for legal professionals on *“Combating Trafficking in Human Beings”* (Co-author of the e-learning course, including author of the non-punishment provision module), 2018:

Press Release & access to the course:

<https://www.coe.int/en/web/anti-human-trafficking/help-online-training-course>

- Organization of Security and Co-Operation in Europe (OSCE) Special Representative’s Paper on *“Policy and legislative recommendations towards the effective implementation of the non-punishment provision with regard to victims of trafficking”*, May 2013 (Legal Advisor)

Press Release & Paper (available in eight language):

<https://www.osce.org/secretariat/101002>

English language version of the paper:

<https://www.osce.org/files/f/documents/6/6/101002.pdf>

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