

## Personal details

Name: Judge Howard Morrison, Q.C.  
Date of birth: 20 July 1949  
Academic qualifications: LL.B London University, Inns of Court School of Law  
Called to the Bar: Gray's Inn 1977  
Master of the Bench: 2008  
Nationality: British

## Current position

Judge of the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia

## Former positions

- Resident Magistrate and latterly Chief Magistrate of Fiji and concurrently Senior Magistrate of Tuvalu exercising similar jurisdiction to a United Kingdom Circuit Judge and coroner.
- Ad hoc Attorney General for Anguilla.
- Member of Race Relations and Equal Opportunities Committees of the Bar Council.
- Assistant Recorder in crime, civil and family jurisdictions.
- Advocacy teacher/trainer for Gray's Inn.
- Recorder in crime, civil and family jurisdictions.
- Defence counsel at the United Nations International Criminal Tribunals for the former Yugoslavia and for Rwanda.
- Circuit Judge, crime and civil.
- Senior Judge of the Sovereign Base Areas of Cyprus.
- Master of the Bench, Gray's Inn.
- Judge of the Special Tribunal for the Lebanon.

## Career history

2009 - present: Appointed Judge of the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. Appointed *inter alia* as trial judge to the trial of Radovan Karadzic concerning counts alleging genocide, crimes against humanity, and violations of the laws or customs of war.

2009: Appointed judge of the Special Tribunal for the Lebanon by United Nations Secretary General.

2008: Appointed Senior Judge of the Sovereign Base Areas of Cyprus.  
Elected Master of the Bench, Gray's Inn.

2007: CBE for services to international law.

2004: Appointed Circuit Judge, crime and civil, holding all circuit judge criminal judge authorizations, including class 1 cases.

2001: Appointed Queen's Counsel.

- 1998 - 2004: Appointed defence counsel at the United Nations International Criminal Tribunals for the former Yugoslavia and for Rwanda. Defended in a number of high profile cases involving allegations of crimes against humanity, war crimes and genocide.
- 1998: Appointed Recorder in crime, civil and family jurisdictions.
- 1993 - present: Advocacy teacher/trainer for Grays Inn.
- 1993: Appointed Assistant Recorder in crime, civil and family jurisdictions.
- 1990-1998: Member of Race Relations and Equal Opportunities Committees of the Bar Council.
- 1988: Ad hoc Attorney-General for Anguilla, with special responsibility for enactment of anti-drugs legislation. Called to Bar of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court.
- 1986-1988: Resident Magistrate and latterly Chief Magistrate of Fiji and concurrently Senior Magistrate of Tuvalu, exercising similar jurisdiction to United Kingdom Circuit Judge and coroner. Called to the Fijian Bar. Awarded OBE for services to the Fijian judiciary during military coups.
- 1977-2004: Practice on the Midland and Oxford Circuit and latterly Midland Circuit, mostly crime and equally divided between prosecution and defence. Prosecuted for the Crown Prosecution Service, HM Customs and Excise, and the Serious Fraud Office.
- 1975: Worked in Malawi and Zambia placing medical and engineering volunteers.

#### **Other professional activities 2000 - present**

- Delegate to the United Nations Preparatory Commissions for the Rome Statute, United Nations Headquarters, New York, dealing with defence issues (2001-2002)
- Advisor to Iraqi judges and lawyers on international law
- Member of the Advisory Board for the OUP Journal of International Criminal Justice  
Frequent lecturer and conference speaker in matters of international criminal and humanitarian law and human rights law.
- Holding Redlich Distinguished Visiting Fellow, Monash University
- Visiting lecturer Amsterdam VU University.
- Visiting lecturer at the Scuola Superiore of the University of Catania, Sicily
- Moot Court judge, Leiden University
- Member of Expert Advisory Group of Amsterdam University on International Criminal Procedure
- Moot judge International Criminal Law Network of International Criminal Court
- Member of the British Institute for International and Comparative Law
- Member of the Commonwealth Judges and Magistrates Association
- Conducted specialist advocacy training courses for lawyers in South Africa through Gray's Inn.

**Publications**

Judge Morrison has written numerous articles and pieces on international courts and international criminal law for various publications and periodicals, including a chapter on judicial independence in “Essays on ICTY Practice and Procedure in Honour of Judge Kirk McDonald”, IHL Series 2000, and a chapter concerning the defence of alleged genocidaires in “The UN Genocide Convention: A Commentary”, OUP 2009.

**Languages**

English: fluent (mother tongue).

French: good (reading and speaking).