

# King's Legal Clinic

## Annual Report 2023



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# The Clinic team



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# Mission statement

## King’s Legal Clinic (‘the Clinic’) has two key aims:

1. enhancing the education of our students
2. promoting social justice

### Our aims are achieved through five objectives:

1. to provide our students with the opportunity to work on live cases, thereby developing their skills and understanding of law in context.
2. to develop innovative experiential learning and teaching methods.
3. to develop students’ professional and ethical awareness and instil a lifelong commitment to access to justice for all.
4. to provide free high-quality legal advice to members of the public, in particular those who cannot afford to pay for legal advice.
5. to engage in legal activism and research initiatives relating to access to justice and social justice issues.\*

### We aim to achieve our objectives by developing projects and initiatives which focus on:

- the provision of free legal advice
- research on access to justice and social justice issues
- partnerships with external organisations
- widening participation
- community engagement and outreach.

\*The Clinic recognises that climate change is one of the most significant social justice issues we face. Its impacts will be felt most by the poorest and most vulnerable. As a student law clinic with a commitment to social justice, we commit to raising awareness of the issue of climate change in our teaching, research, and activism; and to finding ways to support law students to contribute to the struggle for climate justice.

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*King’s Legal Clinic provided appropriate advice relevant to my application and situation. My advisor was extremely knowledgeable about the process and was able to confirm my understanding and appraise the merits of my application during the consultation. I thank King’s Legal Clinic for providing such an effective service.*

Client

# Clinic update

## The Legal Advice Clinic

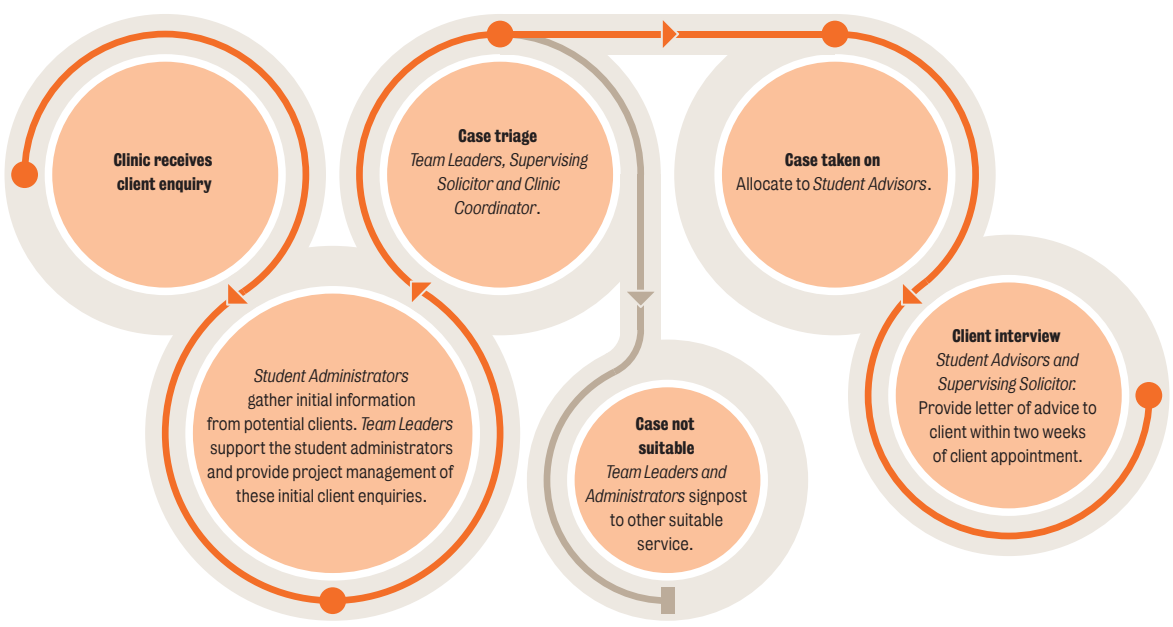
**The Legal Advice Clinic (LAC) is a free first-tier advice service based in The Dickson Poon School of Law. We have six specialist advice clinics covering legal issues in family, immigration and asylum, housing, employment, intellectual property and human rights and environmental law. Through the LAC, vital pro bono advice is provided to the public by King's students working under the supervision of in-house and external lawyers.**

In 2022-23 the LAC received over 400 enquiries from the public. Our new housing clinic provided legal advice to 20 clients on issues such as homelessness, overcrowding, retention of tenancy deposits and poor housing conditions. Our Human Rights and Environment (HRE) Clinic worked with activists and non-profit organisations on eight larger projects aimed at having a long-term impact for the benefit of communities, in particular to tackle climate change.

The support of our law firm and barristers' chambers partners has remained vital to the success of our legal clinics and the provision of pro bono advice. We are immensely grateful for the continuing support and assistance of Briffa, Duncan Lewis, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Stowe LLP, Wilson LLP, Landmark Chambers, and the barristers at Doughty Street Chambers and No 5 Chambers.

Under the supervision of these lawyers, freelance specialist solicitors and clinic staff, our students triaged client enquiries, interviewed clients, reviewed evidence, conducted research and drafted letters of advice for clients. The student team comprises Student Administrators, Student Advisors and Team Leaders. The different roles within the student team mean that students of varying levels of experience can work in the clinic, with less experienced students beginning their LAC journey as Student Administrators and then progressing to other roles within the Clinic.

### How the LAC works



## Team Leaders

Team Leaders oversee the work of Student Administrators and work collaboratively to support our clients, the Clinic team and the Student Administrators. Each Team Leader has primary responsibility for one sub clinic within the Clinic. This year the Clinic Team Leaders were Emily Cheah (Employment Clinic), Vinaya Gosine (IP Clinic), Megan Yap (Housing Clinic), Elisabeth Rowland (Immigration & Asylum Clinic) and Paige Broadhurst (Family Clinic).

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*I love working as part of a team in the clinic, everyone is so approachable. Also, discussing cases in triage really brings home that we are helping real people which is a really valuable opportunity to have at undergraduate level.*



**Elisabeth Rowland, Law LLB**

## Student Administrators

Student Administrators log and respond to initial client enquiries (under the supervision of their Team Leaders and the Clinic Coordinator). This enables the clinic team to then determine if the issue is something the clinic can advise on. If the clinic is unable to assist, Student Administrators will signpost the enquirer to an alternative community organisation

## Student Advisors

Under the supervision of in-house and external lawyers, Student Advisors work in pairs or teams to interview clients, research the issues and prepare a letter of advice for the client.

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*As a student adviser, I interviewed clients, conducted legal research, and prepared scope and advice letters. I worked on a diverse range of immigration, family, housing, and environment cases, which allowed me to gain valuable insights into the challenges individuals face within the legal system and how access to justice can be facilitated... Being a part of the Clinic team has undoubtedly grown my passion for client care and law practice.*



**Agota Lasaite, Law LLB**

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*The students are fully prepared for each case, which enables them to engage proactively and assist each individual client to meet their needs. The research undertaken by the students is well-thought-out and thorough, showing that they have a firm grasp of the issues within each individual case. There is a strong desire which is shown by the students to not only do the best for the client and provide pragmatic advice, but they also demonstrate a willingness to learn and develop their skills. The students are a credit to the clinic and nothing short of fantastic, it is a joy to work with them.*

**Jennifer Gray and Ciara Pugh, Solicitor, Stowe Family Law**



# Modules

## The Legal Clinic

**The Legal Clinic module is a 30-credit optional module available to final year LLB students.**

The Legal Clinic Module provides students with the opportunity to gain module credits whilst carrying out legal clinic work. It is a unique opportunity to build legal knowledge, develop practical skills and reflect on the provision of justice in England & Wales.

Module students attend seminars and practitioner masterclasses to understand more about legal issues relevant to current legal practice. They will also work on up to three real-life cases in the year, working in teams and supervised by qualified lawyers. Cases introduce students

to legal problems, processes and professional skills in a practical context, providing the opportunity to gain legal experience prior to work, and increasing their employability. Students will also reflect on their experiences for the purposes of developing their skills. They analyse how the law works and where it may need to change to ensure access to justice.

This year, in addition to learning about law in our specialised areas, module students learnt about the legal aid system in the UK, the Human Rights Act and Immigration Law.

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*I gained practical skills and experience necessary for a future lawyer such as legal research, written communication, interviewing techniques, and teamwork. I also benefited from the relationships I had formed, including mentorship from supervisors and the friendships I had made within my firm. Most significantly, I experienced substantial personal growth, marked by the development of my passion for access to justice as well as essential personal qualities such as resilience and accountability. Now looking back, I can confidently recommend this module to any student.*

**Nana Stenman, Law LLB**



# Modules

## Transnational Remedies for Environmental Harm

**The Transnational Remedies for Environmental Harm with Clinical Legal Education (TREH) Module is a new 15-credit optional module available to LLM students.**

The unique TREH Module was created in 2022 in partnership with West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (NUJS) and Jindal Global Law School (JGLS) as a response to climate change. It aimed to bring together global north and south students, academics and legal practitioners to share knowledge and raise awareness. The British Council funded the development of the module as an experiment in transnational legal education. This discusses various transnational legal remedies for tackling environmental harm and climate change and considers how the global north may be held responsible for current climate impacts.

Students are taught by professors across three universities, through seminars and lectures covering academic and practical areas of law, including clinical legal education. At King's the module was led this year by Sue Willman, Lecturer in Law and Assistant Director of the King's Legal Clinic, and Dr Emily Barritt, Co-Director of the Transnational Law Institute.

The TREH module was started in connection with the Legal Clinic's Sundarbans Climate Justice Project, a project seeking to support displaced communities in the Sundarbans, an area on the India-Bangladesh border which has been heavily affected by climate change.



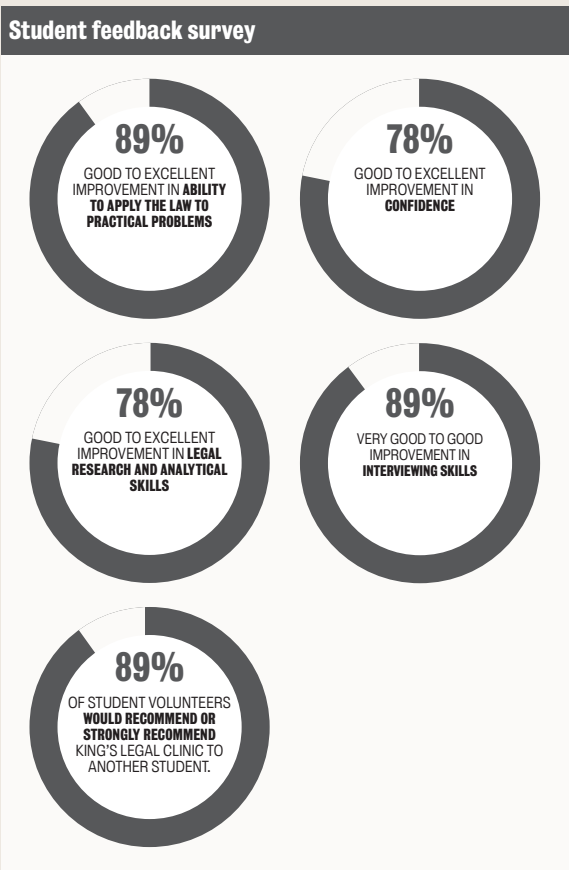
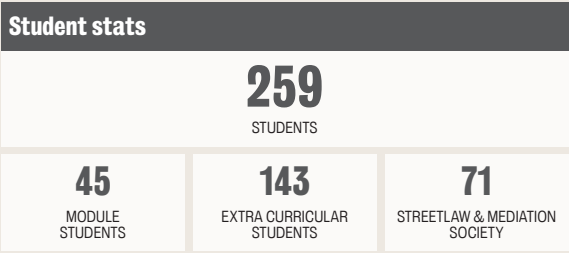
TREH module field visit to Sundarbans

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*The TREH module was one of the most enriching modules throughout my LLM and I am glad that I decided to join the same due to its unique combination of academic and clinical components. It not only enhanced my academic research skills but also equipped me with practical skills essential for post-law school endeavours. The input from guest speakers also added a lot of value to the module and helped me to approach environmental issues from a transnational perspective. I highly recommend this module to fellow students.*

**Risha Kulshrestha, LLM**

# Fact, figures and feedback



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*I think my time with the Clinic has directly resulted in me obtaining a training contract.*  
Student

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*Really good advice, prompt and efficient. Thank you so much.*  
Client

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*Extremely professional and helpful.*  
Client

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*It was informative, clear and exhaustive.*  
Client

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*This was a complex matter and the advisors provided a thorough response on the issues...*  
Client



# Awards



*Mattas Afzal and Danya Nowak accepting runner up prize at the King's Law Impact Prize 2023*

## Law Impact Prize

**The Law Impact Prize 2023 is the first ever Law Faculty event celebrating research impact, and recognising work that shapes understandings, builds capacity, influences policy, changes practice and/or provides expertise and connectivity.**

Final year students Mattas Afzal and Danya Nowak accepted the King's inaugural Law Impact Prize 2023 (runner-up) at a ceremony in Bush House, on behalf of the Human Rights and Environmental Law Clinic's Environmental Rights Recognition Project (ERRP). A video has been produced by the Law School's Impact team and is being shared on social media.

In 2021 the HRE clinic launched ERRP to promote recognition of the right to a healthy environment in the UK

and across Europe in response to a proposal for a new Protocol to the European Convention on Human Rights.

Students from King's working with postgraduate students in New York University (NYU) developed a detailed briefing to support the introduction in the UK and Ireland. Since 2021, students have continued to develop the project, reaching out to organisations in Iceland to lobby for greater support.



*King's Legal Clinic staff and students at the LawWorks Pro Bono Awards 2022*

## LawWorks Pro Bono Awards

**The Annual LawWorks Pro Bono Awards cover the legal sector and recognise and celebrate achievement in legal pro bono work, undertaken by organisations and individuals, and the commitment of the legal sector in enabling access to justice.**

The judging panel includes the Law Society and representatives of charities and NGOs working to ensure equitable access to justice.

King's Legal Clinic's positive impact was recognised as they were highly commended in the Best Contribution by a Pro Bono Clinic category at the Awards Ceremony held at the Law Society in December 2022.

# Events and engagement

**This academic year King's Legal Clinic hosted two events engaging the public in discussions about the law and legal reform.**

## Windrush event

In October, a panel of legal experts including counsel Martin Forde KC (One Crown Office Row), Grace Brown (Garden Court Chambers), Glenda Caesar (Windrush Lives) and Jeremy Bloom (Duncan Lewis Solicitors) reflected and assessed the Windrush Compensation Scheme and whether

it is finally delivering justice to the victims of the Windrush Scandal. Their discussions and subsequent Q&A explored the scheme's weaknesses, strategic legal challenges, and recommended key areas of reform.







*Student Director, Laurent Sammouri, receiving certificate at Clinic Summer Party*

## Clinic Summer Party

We also took the time to celebrate students' achievements with our Clinic partners at our summer party in June. For the first time, the clinic presented certificates to students to recognise their exceptional contributions to the clinic. Agota Lasaite, Alice Kember, Alix Pissaloux, Annanya Sivakumar, Nicholas Chong Yau Lun, Shayna Tan, Vansh Arora (Student Advisors) Oscar Heaney, Mathilde (Tilly) Soerensen (Windrush Justice Clinic), Elisabeth Rowland, Emily Cheah, Paige Broadhurst, Megan Yap, Vinaya Gosine (Student Team Leaders) and Laurent Sammouri and Sneha Bhardwaj (Student Directors) have all completed commendable work this year and been a credit to the clinic's mission for justice.

## External Engagement

The Clinic has continued to welcome national and international guests, to build partnerships and discuss legal education. We were delighted to welcome a team from the Legal Clinic at the University of Liverpool in January 2023, to exchange methods of running clinics and areas of adaptation. During the academic year we welcomed numerous academic visitors in person including from Ankita Chakravarty and the Vice Chancellor of West Bengal National university of Juridical Sciences (NUJS), alumnus Andrew Khoo Chin Hook and Dr Małgorzata Błażejowska (Koszalin University of Technology, Poland) and Dr Magdalena Gołowkin-Hudała (University of Opole, Poland) to exchange ideas.

## GlobalDay of Action on Climate Change: Fast Fashion

In November, HRE clinic students organised an event for the fourth Legal Clinics' Global Day of Action on Climate Change, examining the Impact of Fast Fashion on Climate Change. The event, organised in collaboration with the Legal Clinic at University of York, sought to engage the audience in a wider discussion of climate justice, and to consider what solutions exist.

## Spreading the Word About Climate Justice and Legal Clinical Education

In December 2022, Sue Willman joined colleagues from India in co-presenting workshops at the annual Global Alliance for Justice Education conference about the Legal Clinic's experience of transnational legal education on the theme of tackling climate change. Also, the Legal Clinic was selected to lead a workshop: 'Developing A CLE model to respond to Climate Change' at the 9th European Network for Clinical Legal Education Conference, held in July 2023. Shaila Pal and Sue Willman co-presented with student Sneha Bhardwaj, sharing skills and knowledge with Clinics around Europe and beyond.

# Collaborative projects

## Windrush Justice Clinic

**The WJC is a partnership made up of community organisations, law centres and university legal advice clinics striving to help victims of the Windrush scandal receive the compensation they deserve.**

King's Legal Clinic joined the Windrush Justice Clinic (WJC) collaboration in October 2021 as part of the Clinic's aim to proactively engage students in equality and racial justice through experiential learning.

Students assist Windrush survivors with compensation claims and also conduct research on the accessibility and fairness of the compensations scheme. King's Legal Clinic has a specific partnership with Southwark Law Centre (SLC) and in-part funds their WJC solicitor, Van Ferguson.

**20**

KING'S LAW STUDENTS  
PROVIDED CASEWORK  
SUPPORT TO THE WJC

**15**

KING'S STUDENTS HAVE  
WORKED ON 15 CASES  
TO DATE

**5**

CLIENTS HAVE BEEN  
GRANTED BRITISH  
CITIZENSHIP

**£1m**

THE TOTAL ESTIMATED VALUE  
FOR THE COMPENSATION  
CLAIMS BEING WORKED  
ON IS £1 MILLION





This year, 20 King's law students provided casework support to the WJC solicitor in complex cases involving vulnerable clients. King's students have worked on 15 cases to date, five clients have been granted British citizenship and £500,000 worth of compensation claims have been submitted. Decisions are pending. The total estimated value for the compensation claims being worked on is £1 million.

King's students Laurent Sammour, Aaliyah Lindo and Aaron Rajesh provided invaluable research support over the Christmas holidays to assist in the preparation of a strategic challenge to an effective blanket refusal by the Legal Aid Agency to grant legal aid to victims of the Windrush scandal.

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*Working with the King's students has allowed this jaded mind to be rejuvenated with the hope that the next generation will take up the mantle to fight injustice in the hostile environment, surrounding gaining justice for Windrush survivors. It has been a pleasure to see how involved and energised the students are with working on real cases, helping to make fundamental changes in their client's lives.*

**Sharon Anthony-Tewkesbury, WJC Project Coordinator, Southwark Law Centre**

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*The work done through the Windrush Justice Clinic partnership between Southwark Law Centre and Kings College has been extremely valuable both for our clients and for students alike. The students have displayed real commitment to our Windrush clients, through some very good casework on some challenging cases. The students have also shown a willingness and aptitude to learn and apply a relatively new, novel and complex area of law, which has greatly assisted in the success of the Windrush Justice Clinic.*

**Van Ferguson, Solicitor, Immigration & Windrush Justice Clinic, Southwark Law Centre**

The Legal Aid Agency have refused a number of applications for legal aid by SLC on the basis that Windrush Compensation Claims do not engage relevant human rights and legal representation is not necessary. SLC have challenged the decision by the Legal Aid Agency by way of an application for judicial review in January 2023. The High Court has now granted permission for the case to proceed to a hearing.

To mark the 75th anniversary of the arrival of the Empire Windrush, King's Legal Clinic and Southwark Law Centre collaborated to produce a series of videos and articles about the Windrush scandal and share details of the work done by the Windrush Justice Clinic to date on social media.

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*I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the WJC this year. It has been an amazing experience getting to help make a difference for people who have suffered due to this scandal, and it has further cemented the reason why I chose to study law – to help people who don't have the means to seek help themselves.*

**Mathilde 'Tilly' Soerensen, Law LLB**

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*When I first applied to the Windrush Compensation Scheme, without legal representation, I felt completely overwhelmed with the application process. It was very hard to comprehend what everything meant and how I would navigate such a long-winded process. Being represented by Van was a godsend and without his knowledge and expertise, and all the time he committed to my case, I would have just given up with my compensation claim. Also, knowing that King's students were supporting me with my case was an enormous relief.*

**Client**

# Collaborative projects

## Zacchaeus 2000 Trust (Z2K) – advocacy for disabled people

In this project, students work in collaboration with the charity Z2K to assist their clients appeal against refusals of state benefits where there is a disability element. In 2022, Z2K worked on 1,545 cases receiving £2,968,818 in current and future financial benefits for their clients. To support this work, Clinic students meet with clients, draft legal pleadings and attend remote or in-person tribunal hearings. This year students worked on eight client appeals and have had a 100% success rate in the cases that have gone to tribunal so far. The successful appeals led to a combined financial benefit of £79,523.63 for the clients.

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*You have all helped the appeal to be successful. Thank you all so much for your help and support.*

**Client**

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*Thanks to Z2K and the KCL Legal Clinic, individuals are able to finally have access to the benefits they are entitled to. I am grateful to the project as it provided me with an opportunity to utilise my legal skills to connect with and help the community in a meaningful and impactful way!*

**Heloise Giacometti, Law LLB**



### CASESTUDY

Ms O approached Z2K following the Department for Work and Pensions decision. It had been decided that Ms O was not entitled to Personal Independence Payment despite the client struggling with a range of conditions. This had affected her ability to carry out simple tasks. However, through the input of the client and the support of the student volunteers, Ms O's appeal was successful, and she received enhanced

daily living. This led to a backdated payment of £9,055.75 and ongoing weekly payments of £101.75. This award will end in 2026, allowing Ms O to receive financial support and to receive acknowledgment that her conditions have affected her. Both Mrs O and Z2K are pleased with the result and the support provided by the student volunteers.



Corinna Bramble-Gallazzi, Legal Clinic Coordinator

## University of London Refugee Law Clinic

The Refugee Law Clinic is an inter-collegiate project of the University of London, which advises and prepares fresh claims for asylum-seekers. Since 2020, the clinic has worked on 60 cases and this year four King's students worked on one case each. The cases they have worked on are for clients from Lebanon, Pakistan, Zimbabwe, Eritrea and Benin, and raise a number of different grounds for refugee protection.

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*The student volunteers from Kings College have been very engaged with the training and casework involved in the Refugee Law Clinic and have worked to develop a number of key skills throughout the year, including interviewing, drafting and research. Their work has been very important in progressing their cases towards submission, making representations as to why each client requires protection in the UK.*

**Susan Reardon-Smith, Manager and Academic Outreach Facilitator, Refugee Law Clinic, University of London)**

## Protea Clinic – tackling modern slavery

This Clinic is a collaborative project between King's Legal Clinic, Hammersmith and Fulham Community Law Centre (HCFLC), Sutovic and Hartigan Solicitors (S & H) and Hibiscus Initiatives (HI), providing high-quality legal advice to migrant women and victims of modern slavery. The Protea Clinic assisted clients from diverse backgrounds, with complex needs including mental health difficulties, language and cultural barriers, poverty, gender-based abuse, and involvement with the criminal justice system. In 2022-23, students worked with HCFLC, S & H and HI to investigate five complex immigration cases, supporting disenfranchised clients.

## Streetlaw

The Legal Clinic continued its support of King's Streetlaw Society this year, a student-led society which seeks to educate members of the local community about the law using interactive teaching methods. This year the Streetlaw Society, led by Chelsea Chung, produced presentations on employment law, housing law and immigration & asylum law. The Streetlaw Society delivered seven presentations for NGOs, Shpresa and CARAS and received positive feedback from the organisations and audiences.



# Spotlight

## Human Rights and Environment (HRE) Clinic

The Human Rights and Environment Clinic (HRE) Clinic was established in 2020 to work on strategic cases and projects, with the potential to achieve a wider impact. With its focus on climate change, it is the only clinic of its kind in Europe. Under the supervision of Sue Willman, a senior consultant at a public interest law firm and Assistant Director, Lecturer & Supervising Solicitor at King's Legal Clinic, the HRE Student Directors, Sneha Bhardwaj, Laurent Sammouri, Jimin Bae and Anannya Sivakumar have worked with a team of students on various projects. The following gives a flavour of some of the HRE projects we have worked on:

### Methane Gas in south-east England

This project, referred to us by our partner UK-based charity Environmental Law Foundation, focuses on the failure of regulatory bodies to prevent environmental pollution by onshore oil and gas.

Our clients are a group of citizens in West Sussex concerned with the climate-change impacting methane gas, discharged from an oil drilling site within the South Downs National Park. The students under the supervision of Sue Willman have worked on researching and drafting advice for the clients.

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*The Singleton visit enhanced my understanding of the clients' issues discussed in meetings. Visiting the site allowed me to see and grasp the situation better than relying solely on pictures. In-person communication also enabled more thorough discussions regarding the case. Moreover, the experience helped improve my interpersonal skills.*

**Ifeoluwa Praise Bayo-Oluyamo, LLM**







## Intervention in Glencore v Colombia (ICSID tribunal)

This project is a collaboration with Colombian lawyers collective CAJAR who represent the indigenous community, and environmental NGOs: AIDA (Colombia), Earthjustice (USA) and London Mining Network (UK). Together we are aiming to protecting the rights of the indigenous communities affected by a multinational extractive company and to explore the potential for intervening in the international arbitration process.

The Legal Clinic has harnessed the talents of Law School academics: Niccolo Ridi (respected lecturer in Public International Law) and former PhD candidates Clara Lopez Rodriguez and Laura Knopf, supported by Camila Zapata Besso, counsel of Doughty Street Chambers. Bilingual students have worked in English and Spanish on research relating to international arbitration and human rights.

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*Being part of the ICSID Amicus Curiae project at the HRE Clinic has been an exciting and fulfilling experience. The project addresses key issues concerning the environmental impacts of multinational corporations. Particularly, it is concerned with ensuring that the voice of indigenous communities that are harmed by the Cerrejon mine in Colombia is heard in the related ICSID proceedings. That is what we aim to achieve with the amicus curiae submission. It was therefore extremely motivating to be part of a whole team working towards that goal and to contribute to the amicus with my own research.*

**Gianguido Ghelardi, LLB Law**

## Plastics

This project, in collaboration with leading environmental NGO, ClientEarth, aims to tackle the opaque network of States, regulators, and corporate actors that funnel up to 210,000 metric tons of the UK's plastic waste to Turkey each year. Students are researching legal strategies to hold exporting authorities and corporations accountable for the human health and environmental harms caused in Turkey.

The Clinic is working in collaboration with various civil society partners such as Human Rights Watch and the Environmental Investigation Agency. King's students shared their research to complement the work of the University of Antwerp's Legal Clinic. Lauren Weir, from the Environmental Investigation Agency, describes the core of the project as tackling 'waste colonialism'.

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*I appreciate the collaboration the most, not only within the Clinic but also with the external partners, which are specialised in different fields and have an international scope. This has helped me gain a new understanding of working in the field of human rights.*

**Alexandra Glarner, Law LLB**

# The future

**There are a number of new initiatives that the clinic is exploring for the next year, which will assist the communities in which we work (both local and international), increase access to justice and provide students with further opportunities to develop their legal knowledge and skills.**

## Housing Clinic

Demand for the housing clinic is high and Jo Underwood (the clinic housing supervisor) will be working with the students to review the housing advice work carried out so far, looking for any particular trends that have developed in terms of advice need. The review will also involve making connections with other social welfare and housing advice providers in the local community, to identify housing advice gaps and to explore how the clinic might work to address those gaps.

A 'court runner' scheme is also being developed, which will involve students working alongside housing solicitors who are part of the housing possession court duty schemes in the London county courts. Duty scheme solicitors represent tenants who are attending court without other legal representation and who are facing imminent eviction from their homes. Students will assist the duty solicitors with interviewing tenants and supporting them during their court hearing. The students will be able to observe the court possession and eviction process first hand.

## New Clinical Legal Education module on MSc in Law & Professional Practice

The new CLE module will be available to students on the innovative and professionally focused Law & Professional Practice MSc programme (LPP). The LPP enables students to train in the foundational and specialist areas of the Law and Practice of England & Wales, whilst gaining expertise in analysis, research, and application to 'real life' clients.

The CLE module will enable students to work on real life cases and enhance students' ability to practically apply the law, critically reflect on the law and their own development, and to help prepare them for interacting with and advising clients in practice.

## Human Rights and Environment Clinic

We hope to recruit committed students to work on a range of domestic and international initiatives focussed on climate and biodiversity.

The Global Climate Day of Action event in November will discuss the extent of a legal right to a healthy climate.

We also plan to launch the Rights of Nature toolkit on rivers, researched and drafted by King's Law Students. The toolkit aims to guide students in other Law Clinics, environmental activists and community organisations on the potential for 'earth justice' arguments to protect the environment.

In collaboration with Doughty Street Chambers, we expect to file a complaint against British based banks for their role in financing fossil fuels with their adverse impact on communities affected by rising sea levels, seen vividly in the Indian Sundarbans.

## New team members

We are delighted to have recently welcomed three new members of staff to the Clinic team: Jo Underwood (Supervising Solicitor & Lecturer), Rebecca Howell (Legal Clinic Manager) and Sneha Bhardwaj (Legal Clinic Administrator). We are excited to see what the expanded clinic team will achieve in the next academic year.



*New clinic team members (from left to right): Jo Underwood, Rebecca Howell & Sneha Bhardwaj with Corinna Bramble Gallazzi*





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