

MJRA – MISCARRIAGES OF JUSTICE REVIEW ASSOCIATION (SECURE)

WELCOME

Welcome to the MJRA members section.

Here you will find useful training resources submitted by member institutions and friends of the Association.

As a member your institution will also have access to the MJRA database.

IMPORTANT – **Everything** here is strictly confidential and should not be relied upon as legal advice.

If you have any questions regarding this area of the MJRA site please do not hesitate to contact us at: claire.mcgourlay@manchester.ac.uk

TRAINING CENTRE

RESOURCES

	The Appeals Process	Casework	CCRC Applications	Judgements
What's in the boxes? – Part 1: "The Appeals Process"	✓		✓	
What's in the boxes? – Part 2: "A Guide through the Papers"	✓	✓		
What's in the boxes? – Part 3: "Unused Material"	✓	✓		
CCRC Application template	✓	✓	✓	

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What's in the Boxes? – Part 1: "The Appeals Process"

Mark George QC, Head of Chambers at Garden Court North and Counsel during the Hillsborough enquiry, explains the law on appeals. Produced for the Miscarriages of Justice Review Centre at the University of Sheffield by the University of Sheffield. Shared with miscarriages of justice projects or "Innocence Projects" in the UK, to aid in the process of making more affective case review. This material is not to be relied upon as legal advice.

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What's in the Boxes? – Part 2: "A Guide through the Papers"

Mark George QC, Head of Chambers at Garden Court North and Counsel during the Hillsborough enquiry, guides you through the papers that projects will receive from solicitors before beginning case review. Produced for the Miscarriages of Justice Review Centre at the University of Sheffield by the University of Sheffield. Shared with miscarriages of justice projects or “Innocence Projects” in the UK, to aid in the process of making more affective case review. This material is not to be relied upon as legal advice.

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What’s in the Boxes? – Part 3: “Unused Material”

Mark George QC, Head of Chambers at Garden Court North and Counsel during the Hillsborough enquiry, explores unused material. Produced for the Miscarriages of Justice Review Centre at the University of Sheffield by the University of Sheffield. Shared with miscarriages of justice projects or “Innocence Projects” in the UK, to aid in the process of making more affective case review. This material is not to be relied upon as legal advice.

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CCRC Application Template

The University of Sheffield’s Miscarriages of Justice Review Centre CCRC Application Template can be downloaded below. Download template Student, Doug Scott from the University of Sheffield offers a template walkthrough: This work was produced by Doug Scott and we are very grateful for his contribution.

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MJRA DATABASE

The MJRA database is a directory of all applications made to University institutions by those alleging their innocence and wishing to have their case reviewed. It is a resource that will allow University projects to ensure that work is not being duplicated and to ensure that they have a constant supply of cases.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE:

1. Upon receiving an application from an individual alleging their innocence you must ensure you have the convicted persons consent to upload their application to the database through receipt of a MJRA consent form.
2. Upon receipt of this form you should make a copy and e-mail or post the form to the MJRA team at Sheffield law school. The address is:

Professor Claire McGourlay, Principal and National Fellow of the HEA, The University of Manchester, School of Law, Williamson Building, Room 4.22, Oxford Road, M13 9PL.

3. The institution in possession of the application should then upload the application to the database following the template provided whether they intend to work on it or not. If you do not have capacity to begin work on the case, you should mark the case as 'pending review'.
4. If you wish to begin work on a case that is marked as 'pending review', you must contact the University that uploaded the case to ensure they are not presently reviewing the case. Once it has been confirmed that you intend to work on the case, please contact the applicant to inform them you have started to review their case.

Click here to access the database portal.

DISCUSSION BOARDS

The database is run through an organisation called 'Salesforce'. This provides a feature called 'Chatter'. By clicking on this feature you will be able to engage in topics of discussion. Importantly, a user will only be able to contribute as their University and as such we encourage contributors to sign off with a name.

Unfortunately, owing to the nature of salesforce users cannot start their own topics of discussion. However if you wish to have a discussion topic added to the board, please e-mail claire.mcgourlay@manchester.ac.uk and we will start up the new discussion.

If you have any further questions regarding the database, please e-mail:

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