



Biographical Sketches of Judicial Officials

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TRIAL CHAMBER

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NIL Nonn (Cambodia) is the President of the Trial Chamber of the ECCC. Since 2008 he has served as the President of the Siem Reap Court. After he served as the President of the Battambang Court from 1993 to 2008. He started teaching law in 1990 and He became a professor at the Royal Academy of Judicial Professions in 1993. He also published many publications in the field of criminal law. Judge NIL Nonn obtained a Bachelor of Law degree from Ho Chi Minh City University in Vietnam and followed additional training in international and human rights law (organized by UNDP a.o.). In addition to Khmer, he speaks Vietnamese.



Dame Silvia Cartwright (New Zealand) graduated with a Bachelor of Law from Otago University in 1967. After several years in private practice, she embarked on a judicial career which culminated in her appointment as the first woman in New Zealand to the High Court. Internationally, Dame Silvia contributed as a member of the UN committee monitoring compliance with the UN Convention to Eliminate All Forms of Discrimination Against Women. She was made a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire in 1989 and Principal Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit in 2001.



THOU Mony (Cambodia) has been a Judge on Cambodia's Court of Appeals since 1996. From 1994 to 1996, he served with the Ministry of Justice. Judge THOU Mony obtained a Master of Arts in Law from the University of Leipzig in Germany and followed additional training in international and human rights law (organized by UNDP a.o.). In addition to Khmer, he speaks German.



Jean-Marc Lavergne (France) completed his higher education at the Clermont-Ferrand Law School, and received his Masters in Private Law and Public Notary Certification in 1983. In 1988 after completing his magistracy studies, he was appointed to the High Civil Court of Angers as Parole Judge (Juge de l'application des Peines au Tribunal de Grande Instance). In 1997, he was appointed Presiding Judge (Conseiller) at the Criminal Appeals Court of Loire-Atlantique and Morbihan, a Chamber within the Rennes Court of Appeals. Since 2001, he serves as Vice-President of the High Civil Court of Mans.



Ya Sokhan (Cambodia) has been nominated in 2009 as judge of the Supreme Court. He served as a greffier at the Phnom Penh Court between 1989 and 1992 and as a judge at the Phnom Penh Municipal Court between 1992 and 2005. Thereafter, he was appointed judge at the Banteay Meanchey Court where he served until 2009. Judge YA Sokhan obtained a Master of Arts in Law from the University of Metchnikov, in the former Soviet Union, in 1988, and followed additional training in international and human rights law (organized by UNDP a.o.). In addition to Khmer, he speaks Russian.



TRIAL CHAMBER RESERVE JUDGES



YOU Ottara (Cambodia) obtained a Master's Degree in Law from Kazakhstan National University in 1995. He has worked in the Ministry of Justice as Official of the Department of Criminal and Civil Affairs (1995-1996), as Bureau Chief in charge of ASEAN and International Cooperation (1996-2001), as Judge and Director of the International Affairs Department (2001-2002). Since 2002, he serves as a Judge of the Supreme Court. He has conducted research in national and international law and participated in many programs and conferences relating to law issues, including as a lecturer. He is a professor at the Royal Academy of Judicial Professions. In addition to Khmer, he speaks English and Russian.



Dr. Claudia Fenz (Austria) holds a Doctorate of Law from the University of Vienna. In 1984 she was appointed judge in the domestic criminal justice system, holding judicial office for over 20 years in investigation, trial and appeals courts. In 2005, she was appointed an international judge with the UN Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo, dealing with organized crime, serious ethnically-motivated crime and war crimes. She then served as Head of the Rule of Law section within the EUPOLCOPPS Mission in Palestine, which provides support to the Palestinian criminal justice sector (2006-2008).

CO-PROSECUTORS

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CHEA Leang (Cambodia) received her Master of Arts in Law from Martin Luther University in Germany in 1995. She began her legal career at the Ministry of Justice in 1996 and became Deputy in the Training Office in 1999. She joined the Cambodian judiciary as a Prosecutor in the Appeals Court in 2002, taking part in trial at the Court of Appeals and inspecting prosecutors' work at provincial level. She received additional training on human rights in Denmark, on legal and judicial cooperation in Japan and on international criminal investigations in The Hague.



Andrew CAYLEY (United Kingdom) was appointed as international Co-Prosecutor of the ECCC in December 2009 to replace predecessor Mr. Robert Petit. Mr. Calyley previously served as Senior Prosecuting Counsel at the International Criminal Court and was responsible for the first Darfur case. He also served as Senior Prosecuting Counsel at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. Prior to that, he served as Prosecuting Counsel at ICTY. He is a Barrister of the Inner Temple and holds an LL.B and an LL.M from University College London. He is also a professional officer graduate of the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst.



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DEPUTY CO-PROSECUTORS



YET Chakriya (Cambodia) began his legal career as court clerk in the Phnom Penh Municipal Court in 1980 and was promoted to Deputy Prosecutor there in 1989. In 2006, he was appointed to serve as Deputy Prosecutor in Banteay Meanchey Court. He has experience with investigation and trial work in criminal cases. Mr. Yet obtained a Master degree in Law from Chamroeun University of Poly-Technology. He has received additional training in Thailand and the US on judicial procedure and criminal law.



William SMITH (Australia) was a trial attorney, legal advisor and analyst at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia for 10 years before joining the ECCC. Previously he was a police prosecutor in the South Australian Police Force for 7 years. He graduated from Adelaide University in 1993 whilst working at the South Australian Director of Public Prosecutions, and then worked as a criminal law barrister and solicitor in Adelaide. In 1999, he received a Masters in International Law at Leiden University. In 2000, he was seconded to the UN in East Timor as a human rights officer and Acting District Administrator.

DEFENSE CO-LAWYERS

CO-LAWYERS FOR MR. NUON CHEA



SON Arun (Cambodia) studied at Lawyer School of Cambodia Bar Association in 1996 then became a member of the Bar Association and started his career as a Private Lawyer. He has served as Legal Advisor to Cambodian National Assembly since 1993. Mr. Son has been national Co-Lawyer of Mr. Nuon Chea since 20 September 2007. He holds a Bachelor Degrees in Business Administration from Houston University in Texas, USA. Additionally, Mr. Son also participated in training on Defense Strategies before the Civil and Criminal Courts.



Michiel Pestman (Netherlands) is a partner at the law firm of Böhler Advocaten in Amsterdam. Admitted to the Dutch Bar in 1994, he has specialized in criminal law and in human rights litigation. In recent years, Mr. Pestman has focused on international criminal law. Among other cases, he represented Moinina Fofana before the Special Court for Sierra Leone. He frequently gives lectures on his specialist legal field to students and fellow lawyers.



Victor Koppe (Netherlands) is a partner at the Böhler Advocaten law firm in Amsterdam. Admitted to the Dutch bar in 1989, he initially specialised in European law and financial criminal litigation. In recent years, Mr. Koppe has focused on international criminal law. He represented Moinina Fofana before the Special Court for Sierra Leone. Presently he also represents the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam at the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg, as well as a Rwandan facing prosecution in The Netherlands for her alleged involvement in the 1994 genocide in Rwanda.



CO-LAWYERS FOR MR. IENG SARY



ANG Udom (Cambodia) worked as a criminal defence lawyer at the Cambodian Defenders Project and the Legal Aid of Cambodia. Mr ANG has managed his own law firm since 1999 and was the Head of the Legal Unit at the Center for Social Development. He has been a member of the Bar Association of the Kingdom of Cambodia since 1997.



Michael Karnavas (USA) is a criminal Defence Lawyer with 28 years experience. As lead counsel to Dr. Jadranko Prlić at the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY), and International Co-Lawyer to Mr. Ieng Sary at the ECCC, Mr. Karnavas has more than ten years' experience leading complex, multiparty, international criminal law cases. For twenty years he has taught trial advocacy to lawyers at various programmes and institutions, including the National Criminal Defense College, the Cardozo Law School, and Leiden University, Grotius Center. Engaged as a trial consultant on complex cases, he has appeared on panel discussions on international criminal law and procedure, and authored several articles on international law and procedure, and trial advocacy manuals.

CO-LAWYERS FOR MRS. IENG THIRITH



PHAT POUV SEANG (Cambodia) is a member of the Cambodia Bar Association since 1997, and a Legal Advisor to the Legislation and Justice Committee of the Cambodian National Assembly. Mr. Phat holds a Bachelor's Degrees in Law from University Lumiere, Lyon 2, France, and a Master's Degrees in Law from Royal University of Law and Economics. Mr. Phat has also been teaching at the Royal University of Law and Economic since 1992. Mr. Phat works as national Co-Lawyer of Ms. Ieng Thirith since 12 November 2007.



Diana ELLIS QC (United Kingdom) was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 1978 and appointed Queen's Counsel in 2001. She is a specialist defence advocate with substantial experience in serious criminal cases involving fraud and financial regulation, murder, sexual abuse and drug trafficking. She also has extensive experience in international criminal law cases. She represented Emmanuelle Nteziryayo in the first extradition sought for genocide in the UK which was the first case where extradition was being sought without a bilateral treaty in place. She also represented Ferdinand Nahimana at the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR), She has also trained judges and lawyers from other jurisdictions in International Criminal Law and in fair trial standards.



CO-LAWYERS FOR MR. KHIEU SAMPHAN



Dr. SA Sovan (Cambodia) was admitted to the Bar in 1995 and was a member of the Bar Council of the Kingdom of Cambodia from 2000 to 2003. He has occupied various positions, notably in France, such as Head of Subdivision in property and litigation cases at the *Service Construction des Académies de l’Ile de France* from 1974 to 1986 and Legal Advisor at the *Délégué Académique* of Further Education of Créteil from 1986 to 1994. In Cambodia, he was appointed Legal Advisor Emeritus of the National Assembly and expert at the Ministry of Justice. Having obtained his Ph.D. in law, commercial law and criminal sciences from the University of Paris II, he is currently a professor of criminal and civil law, and has authored several law manuals in the Khmer language.



Jacques Vergès (France) was admitted to the Bar of Paris in 1955. A former member of the resistance movement, an anti-colonial activist and a fervent defender of rights to self-determination, Mr. Vergès is responsible for making the legal strategy of rupture defence famous. Having intervened in highly publicized international cases, Mr. Jacques Vergès has notably represented militants from the Algerian National Liberation Front, terrorists Carlos, Anis Naccache or Georges Ibrahim Abdallah, those involved in the *Action Directe* French revolutionary group, and Klaus Barbie, accused of crimes against humanity in French courts of law. He has also authored various books, such as *De la stratégie judiciaire* (1968), *Le Salaud lumineux* (1996) ou *La passion de défendre* (2008).

CIVIL PARTY LEAD CO-LAWYERS



PICH Ang (Cambodia) holds a Master’s of Private Law and Human Rights Law, and a Bachelor of Law from Lyon, France. Prior to his appointment, he served as Civil Party Co-Lawyer. He previously worked as a lecturer at the Royal University of Law and Economics and Build Bright University, as a lawyer at a Cambodian international law Firm and as a legal assistant at the Ministry of Women’s Affairs.



Elisabeth Simonneau Fort (France) obtained her law degree from studies at Paris II Assas and Paris X Nanterre universities. She has more than 30 years of experience as a lawyer based in Montpellier. She has devoted a significant part of her legal practice defending the rights of victims, with a special focus on children and women, in criminal courts. Ms. Simonneau Fort is a founding member of the association “The Lawyer and the Child” (*l’Avocat et l’Enfant*), and she has been a member of a group of lawyers providing voluntary services to juvenile offenders.