

Roger Hood

Roger Hood obtained his BSc in Sociology from the London School of Economics in 1957; his PhD from Cambridge University in 1963 and was awarded the DCL by Oxford University in 1999. In 1996 he was given the title of Professor of Criminology. He has been a member of the Parole Board for England and Wales, of the Judicial Studies Board and of the Departmental Committee to Review the Parole System (1987-88). From 1987-89 he was President of the British Society of Criminology. He is a member of the Foreign Secretary's Death Penalty Advisory Panel; has taken part in the UK/China Human Rights Dialogues and the UE/China Human Rights Seminars and has been a consultant on the death penalty to the Great Britain-China Centre and to The Death Penalty Project in London. He has been consultant to the United Nations on the death penalty and was responsible for the UN Secretary General's reports on the Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Quinquennial Surveys of Capital Punishment in 1995, 2000-2001 and 2004-2005.

He has been a Visiting Professor at the University of Virginia Law School in 1980-82, 1984-90, and from 2005-2011, and Adjunct Professor at City University Hong Kong since 2008, where he teaches an intensive short course on international perspectives on the death penalty. In 1986 he received the Sellin-Glueck Award from the American Society of Criminology for 'Distinguished Contributions to Criminology'; in 1992 he was elected a Fellow of the British Academy; and in 1995 was appointed Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) 'for services to the study of criminology'; and in 2000 he was appointed an honorary Queen's Counsel. He was sub-Warden of All Souls College from 1994-96, and was College Steward from 1993-2003.

Since his retirement in 2003 he has given lectures on the death penalty in China, Hong Kong, Germany, Japan, USA, Switzerland, Spain, Taiwan, Trinidad, and Uganda. From October 2003 to May 2004 he was Distinguished Visiting Professor at the University of Hong Kong. In 2003, a Festschrift entitled *The Criminological Foundations of Penal Policy* (edited by Lucia Zedner and Andrew Ashworth) was published by Oxford University Press to mark his retirement. He was awarded an Honorary LL.D by the University of Birmingham in 2008.

Amidst his most important publications: *Sentencing in Magistrates' Courts*, London: Stevens, 1962; *Borstal Re-Assessed*, London Heinemann Educational Books, 1965; *Homeless Borstal Boys*, Occasional Paper in Social Administration, London, Bell & Co. 1966.; *Key Issues in Criminology (with Richard Sparks)*, London: Weidenfeld and Nicolson, 1970; (Editor and contributor) *Crime, Criminology and Public Policy: essays in honour of Sir Leon Radzinowicz* London: Heinemann Educational Books, 1974; *Criminology and Criminal Justice: a Bibliography* (with Leon Radzinowicz), 1976; *A History of English Criminal Law and its Administration, vol. 5, The Emergence of Penal Policy* (with Sir Leon Radzinowicz) London: Stevens, 1986 and paperback Oxford University Press, 1990; *Race and Sentencing* (in collaboration with Graça Cordovil) Oxford University Press, 1992; *The Death Penalty: a World-wide Perspective*, Oxford University Press (1st edn. 1988, 2nd edn. 1996, 3rd edn. 2002 and 4th edn (with Carolyn Hoyle, 2008). Translated into Chinese; *The Parole System at Work: A study of risk based decision-making* (with Stephen Shute), Home Office Research Study No 202, 2000; *A Fair Hearing? Ethnic Minorities in the Criminal Courts* (with Stephen Shute and Florence Seemungal), Columpton, Devon: Willan Publishing, 2005; *A Rare and Arbitrary Fate. Conviction for Murder, the Mandatory Death Penalty and the Reality of Homicide in Trinidad and Tobago* (with Florence Seemungal) Oxford: Centre for Criminology, 2006; *A Penalty Without Legitimacy: The Mandatory Death Penalty in Trinidad and Tobago* (with Florence Seemungal, Douglas Mendes and Jeffrey Fagan) Oxford: Centre

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