



African Judiciaries Research Network (AJRN) newsletter, no. 25, August 2025

If anyone has any **information that they would like included in the next newsletter** (to be circulated the week of 1 September 2025) please email g.lynch@warwick.ac.uk. Similarly, if you have suggestions of people who we should contact about joining the network or would like to unsubscribe from the newsletter please email g.lynch@warwick.ac.uk.

Junior Law and Politics Research Community virtual seminar series

The Junior Law and Politics Research Community is now accepting proposals for its virtual seminar series in the Fall of 2025! We are a vibrant network of junior researchers (graduate students, post-docs, assistant professors, other non-tenured faculty) in the fields of public law, law and courts, and legal studies across institutions. We host seminars throughout the academic year via Zoom in bullet talk and public law panel formats which are detailed below. We welcome senior scholars to participate in our sessions as audience members and discussants.

In the Fall of 2025, we will be hosting sessions on **September 24, October 8, October 22, November 5, and November 19**. All sessions will be from 12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M ET. You can submit your proposal here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd2cf1udj4XYO3aNtW4dcgXs5wmNALbyLSgIG7LU7L7bh_SHw/viewform. **Please submit your proposals by August 25, 2025 for full consideration.**

Bullet talks will be a total of 25 minutes. Presenters will give a short 3-minute presentation about a potential research idea or question with the remaining time dedicated to discussion and Q&A. If you are looking to workshop an idea to your peers in a relatively low stakes and informal environment, this format is for you.

Public Law Panels will be a total of 50 minutes featuring public law faculty from diverse institutions as discussants, facilitators, commenters, and audience members. Presenters will give a 10-minute presentation and be assigned a faculty discussant who will provide feedback for 10 minutes. The remaining time will be dedicated to discussion and Q&A. If you have a developed research project and are looking for additional fora to present and receive feedback, this format is for you.

We kindly ask faculty to please forward this email along to graduate students that are interested in the study of law and politics. We would love to have them as a part of our growing network. If you have any questions, feel free to email us at juniorlawandpoliticsresearchco@gmail.com.

Commonwealth Magistrates' and Judges' Association Conference, September 2025

The Commonwealth Magistrates' and Judges' Association is organising its next Triennial Conference on the Theme: "Innovations in Judicial Practice: Embracing Change for A Better Future". The conference will be held in Banjul, the Gambia from 21-26 September 2025. Information on registration is now available on the CMJA's conference website: www.cmja.biz.

Conference on "the role of a judiciary in a democracy" at the Southern African Institute for Policy and Research (SAIPAR) in Lusaka, Zambia, 21-22 October 2025

The AJRN, SAIPAR, and University of Zambia are holding a two-day conference at SAIPAR to coincide with the launch of an edited book celebrating 50 years of the Zambian Supreme Court. For good or ill, the Supreme Court has significantly shaped the country's life by determining high-profile cases across various branches and disciplines of the law. The call for papers has now closed, but any queries about the conference should be directed to Dr Pamela Towela Sambo, University of Zambia (pamela.sambo@unza.zm), Dr O'Brien Kaaba, University of Zambia (Obrien.kaaba@unza.zm), Mr Chanda J. Chungu, University of Zambia (xhanda.chungu@unza.zm), and Dr Marja Hinfelaar, SAIPAR (marja.hinfelaar@saipar.org).

Future AJRN events

The AJRN is currently in the process of planning additional meetings in Nairobi in September 2025 on alternative justice systems and in Nairobi in April 2026 on disabilities and inclusivity. More details will be shared in future newsletters.

If members have ideas for other events, or details of relevant events, please do get in touch. So far, the AJRN has co-organised meetings in Kenya, South Africa, and Zambia and so it would be great to branch out to other countries and parts of the continent.

Proving Corruption and Defending the Corrupt

Constitutional and Evidential Challenges in Africa

John Hatchard, University of Buckingham
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'Corruption undermines democratic institutions, retards economic development, and discourages foreign investments. An essential element in the efforts to eradicate it is the development of a legal and judicial framework at the international and domestic level within which to fight the scourge of corruption. The book discusses a range of approaches to the fight against corruption. It is comprehensive, insightful, and is a significant contribution to the search for effective approaches to the fight against corruption.'

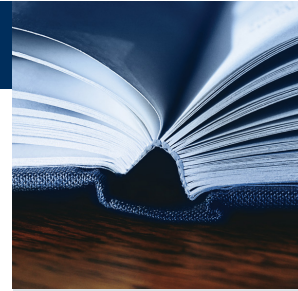
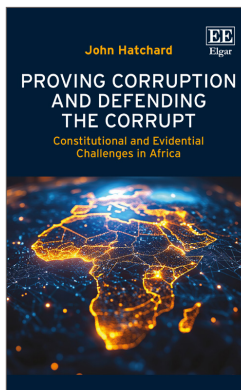
– Muna Ndulo, Cornell University, USA

This insightful book explores the question of why there are so few successful corruption-related prosecutions in Anglophone African countries and considers how this situation can be addressed. John Hatchard analyses the unique challenges faced by anti-corruption investigators and prosecutors in effectively implementing the requirements of the criminalisation pillar contained in the United Nations Convention Against Corruption.

Hatchard discusses the tension between proving corruption – that is, providing for effective investigations and evidence gathering, and utilising this to facilitate prosecutions – versus defending the corrupt – protecting the constitutional rights of those facing prosecution and challenging the admissibility of key prosecution evidence. He advocates for the adoption of the 'Golden Triangle' and a fairness approach. This requires balancing a triangulation of interests: protecting the constitutional rights of the accused, considering the interests of victims of corruption and maintaining the public interest in combating corruption effectively. Through analysis of anti-corruption legislation and judicial pronouncements, Hatchard demonstrates how to make the fairness approach effective with a view to strengthening the criminalisation pillar.

This unique and influential book is of worldwide interest for students and academics studying law, politics and business. Its practical insights will also greatly benefit anti-corruption agencies, legal practitioners, policymakers, law reformers, civil society organisations and the corporate sector.

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The **Commonwealth Judicial Journal** is always looking for articles on issues of interest to judicial officers across the Commonwealth. Articles should normally range from 2,000 to 3,500 words in length. Any references and/or citations should be integrated in the main body of the manuscript, as footnotes/endnotes will normally be removed. Hyperlinks should not be embedded in manuscripts submitted for publication. Papers should be submitted to info@cmja.org. All manuscripts received are evaluated by the Editor in consultation with the editorial board.

AJRN has teamed up with [Democracy in Africa](http://democracyinafrica.org) to launch a series of opinion pieces on African judiciaries and democracy. For details on how to write an article for **Democracy in Africa** go to <http://democracyinafrica.org/join-the-new-african-judiciaries-research-network-ajrn-today/>.

The AJRN has also been in touch with **The Conversation Africa** and **The Elephant** and is happy to report that:

The Conversation Africa welcomes articles on African judiciaries that are based on research. These can be republished anywhere in the world under a Creative Commons licence, giving your work a wider reach and introducing it to new audiences. You can pitch your idea for an article [here](#). You can subscribe to the Conversation Africa newsletter [here](#).

The Elephant welcomes articles of 1,500-3,500 words on African judiciaries. The Elephant is a popular online Kenyan news platform which seeks well researched, honest critiques, critical essays and sharp-eyed perspectives on a broad range of topics addressed from a Pan African lens. For details on how to submit a pitch and write for *The Elephant* see <https://www.theelephant.info/write-for-us/>.

AJRN member profile of the month



Mahlubandile Ntontela is a lecturer at the Nelson Mandela University, South Africa. He is also a practising attorney at the Nelson Mandela University's Law Clinic. In July 2025, Mahlubandile submitted his Doctor of Laws thesis for examination. His thesis is on the use of Augmentative and Alternative Communication devices by witnesses with communication disabilities in the South African Courts. Prior to joining academia, Mahlubandile was an attorney at Legal Aid South Africa.

Mahlubandile holds a Bachelor of Laws, a Master of Laws and a Postgraduate Diploma in Labour Law Practice, all from the Nelson Mandela University. He further holds a Postgraduate Diploma in Drafting and Interpretation of Contracts from the University of Johannesburg. Mahlubandile's research interests are on access to the courts and justice, especially for people with communication disabilities. He has published peer-reviewed articles and book chapters on various issues concerning the judiciary and the criminal justice system.

AJRN webpage

The AJRN has a webpage (<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/pais/research/ajrn>) where you can find past newsletters as well as information on events, opinion pieces and members. **If you want to be included in the list of network members on the website and future newsletters, then please send a photograph and a bio in the standard format (see list of network members below)** with details of positions and institutional/organisational affiliation, up to 5 keywords on relevant research interests, and contact email/social media handle to g.lynch@warwick.ac.uk. E.g.

If you have already sent a bio for the newsletter, then please do send a photo for inclusion on the webpage.

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