Biography of Andrew T. Cayley QC

Andrew Cayley is a Queen’s Counsel, and leading international criminal lawyer, who has prosecuted and defended at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia ("ICTY"), International Criminal Court ("ICC"), Special Court for Sierra Leone ("SCSL") and the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia ("ECCC").

He is currently the United Nations Chief International Co-Prosecutor of the ECCC, the Khmer Rouge Tribunal, based in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

Prior to his appointment in Cambodia Andrew represented Charles Taylor, the former President of Liberia, before the SCSL and Ivan Čermak before the ICTY. Ivan Čermak was acquitted of all charges against him in April 2011.

As Senior Prosecuting Counsel at the ICC, in The Hague, Andrew was responsible for the Security Council referred investigation into serious human rights violations in the Darfur region of Sudan. He applied for the first criminal charges in the Darfur situation.

From 2001 to 2005 he was Senior Prosecuting Counsel at the ICTY. He laid the current charges against Ratko Mladić and led the first prosecution of members of the Kosovo Liberation Army for crimes against humanity and war crimes.

From 1994 to 2001 Andrew was Prosecuting Counsel at the ICTY where he worked on many cases including the Krstič case where the prosecution team secured the first conviction for genocide, in Europe, since the Second World War.

Andrew Cayley was educated at Brighton College, University College London and the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst. He speaks widely on international criminal law and most recently has presented papers at Harvard, Yale, the Free University of Amsterdam, the National University of Singapore and the University of Hong Kong.

In November 2011 he was presented to the Assembly of States Parties of the Rome Statute as one of four candidates to be the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court. In March 2012 he was made a Queen’s Counsel by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.