



The New Zealand Centre for Public Law invites you to a Public Lecture:

The Constitution, political powers and AIDS

Justice Edwin Cameron

Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa

Edwin Cameron was appointed a Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa, South Africa's highest court, from 1 January 2009. Before that, he was a judge in the Supreme Court of Appeal for eight years, and a High Court judge for six.

He was educated at Pretoria Boys' High School and Stellenbosch University, where he won a Rhodes Scholarship to Oxford. At Oxford, he gained the top academic awards and prizes in law. He joined the Johannesburg Bar in 1983, and from 1986 practised as a human rights lawyer at the University of the Witwatersrand's Centre for Applied Legal Studies, where he was awarded a personal professorship in law.

In 1994, President Mandela appointed him an acting judge and then a permanent judge of the High Court in 1995. Justice Cameron has received many awards, among them Honorary Fellowships of Keble College, Oxford and of the Society for Advanced Legal Studies, London; the Nelson Mandela Award for Health and Human Rights (2000); Stellenbosch University's Alumnus Award (2000), Transnet's HIV/AIDS Champions Award and the San Francisco AIDS Foundation's Excellence in Leadership Award (2003). In 2002 the Bar of England and Wales honored him with a special award for his "contribution to international jurisprudence and the protection of human rights".

In 2006, his memoir, *Witness to AIDS*, was awarded South Africa's most prestigious literary award for non-fiction, the Sunday Times/Alan Paton prize. In 2009, he was installed as an honorary Bencher of the Middle Temple. He holds honorary doctorates in law from King's College London and the University of the Witwatersrand.

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