Fall 2010: Comparative Approaches to Miscarriages of Justice

London Research Trip

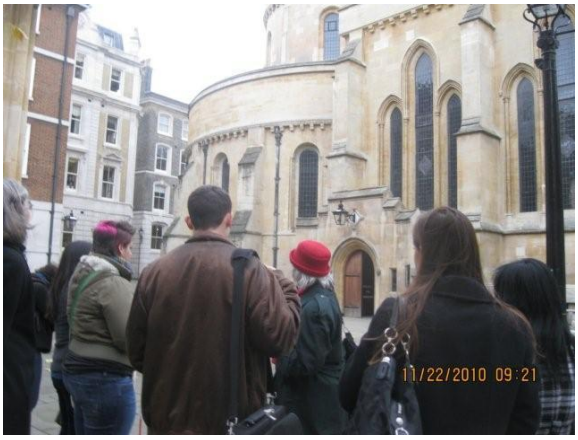
Day 1 Arrival and Orientation

Day 2

A. Criminal justice in the UK

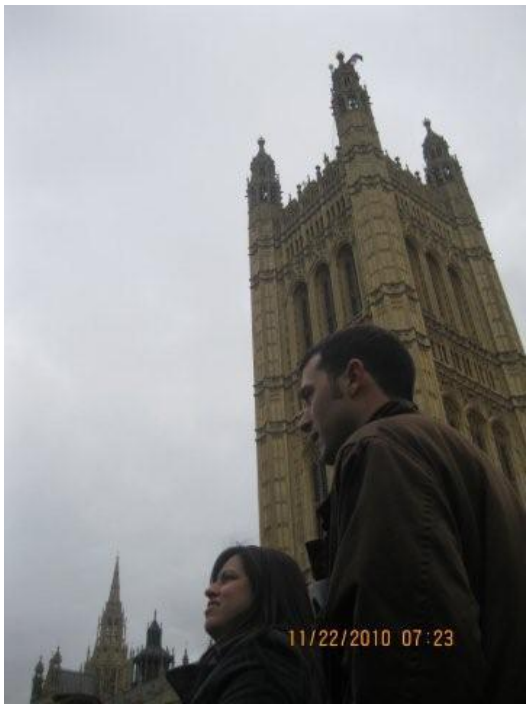
- Intro Tour with Kim Dewdney, Certified Blue Badge Guide: key sites in criminal justice system in London. Kim has worked in the House of Commons and the European Parliament and won the London Tourist Board's Guide of the Year award in 2001.

B. Civil society confronts wrongful conviction



- Seminar at REPRIEVE, International prisoners' rights organization, with attorneys David Sellwood (http://www.reprieve.org.uk/davidsellwood) and Sophie Walker (http://www.reprieve.org.uk/sophiewalker). From Reprieve's website:
  "As an Investigator on the Death Penalty team, Sophie focuses on cases in the Americas, including Reprieve's three-year project to identify and assist all European Nationals on death row in the United States. Sophie joined Reprieve from the Equal Justice Initiative of Alabama, where she worke d as legal fellow, preparing direct appeal briefs, post conviction and federal habeas petitions for indigent prisoners on Alabama's death row. Prior to that, she worked as a legal intern for the Global Justice Centre in New York, where she wrote the Amicus Brief for the Iraqi High Tribunal on gender related crimes. Sophie also interned at Furnival Chambers, where she researched sexual offences laws in preparation for rape trials at the central London Criminal Court.Sophie has an LLM in General Legal Studies from the New York University School of Law and a B.A. in Jurisprudence (Law) from Oxford University."

  "As EC Project Coordinator, David leads Reprieve's drive to identify and assist European nationals on death row in the United States.
  David joined Reprieve from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (seconded by Prisoners Abroad), where he worked as a Human Rights Adviser.Prior to that, he worked in the refugee sector, preparing and presenting asylum/human rights applications and appeals, initially in private practice then at the Refugee Legal Centre. He also undertook an internship at the Independent Jamaica Council for Human Rights (IJCHR) in Kingston Jamaica, where he worked on death penalty cases. David has a BSc in Politics and International Relations from the University of Southampton, an LLM in Human Rights Law from the University of Nottingham, and a Graduate Diploma in Law from the College of Law."



Day 3 Innocence Projects in the UK. Seminar with Dr Michael Naughton, Director, Innocence Network UK and University of Bristol Innocence Project.

Day 4 Prosecutors and Defenders in UK Criminal Justice. Seminar with Dr Andrew Sanders, Professor of Law and expert on human rights and legal advice at University of Birmingham.

Day 5

A. Prosecuting wrongful conviction cases. Seminar with Daniel Machover and Nogah Ofer of Hickman and Rose, and Bhatt Murphy, Solicitors, who have been lead counsel on many of the key police misconduct cases that have shaped the reforms we're studying.

B. Criminalization of communities. Customized walking tour of Brixton.

Day 6 Free

Day 7 Departure