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Deputy Editor, European Human Rights Law Review

The EHRLR is seeking a new Deputy Editor. The current Deputy Editor, Toby Collis, has been brilliant in the role. Toby has worked with the EHRLR for over 5 years. Toby has, however, taken on a new position and can no longer edit the journal alongside new duties.

The EHRLR is published by Thomson Reuters. It is one of the leading human rights journals in the world and is published six times a year. It is peer reviewed and highly respected. It provides top quality analysis on human rights from across the globe. It specialises in European human rights and it has a particular, although by no means exclusive, focus on the UK. Most articles are of wider interest and have a relevance beyond the UK.

The Deputy Editor works closely with the Editor, Jonathan Cooper, barrister at Doughty Street Chambers. This includes ensuring each article complies with the EHRLR's house style and is sufficiently well written to be published in the EHRLR, including editing for grammar, sense and style. The Editor welcomes input from the Deputy Editor on the quality of legal analysis.

The Deputy Editor is involved in each stage of the production of the journal. They provide the final review for house style of each article and they also sign off page proofs. Deadlines set by Thomson Reuters have to be met (or re-negotiated), and the Deputy Editor works with Thomson Reuters' House Editor for the EHRLR. Inevitably most Issues run right up to the deadline.

There are periods in the cycle of each Issue of the journal which are busy and other periods when there is little or nothing for the Deputy Editor to do. Stretched over each Issue, there is probably half a day's work each week (possibly a little more), although this comes in bursts.

The Deputy Editor must have a proven understanding of international human rights law. They must be fluent in English and have excellent English language skills. Their knowledge of grammar must be first class and they need to be able to work under pressure.

Being part of the editorial team of the EHRLR is a great opportunity to be immersed in human rights law, policy and practice.

As Deputy Editor, you could be starting out in your career as a human rights lawyer or human rights law academic, or you could be an established practitioner or academic who wants to keep up to speed with human rights issues. You might also be working in civil society for an NGO or in government. Equally, you could be retired and want to keep involved.

There is a nominal fee for each Issue, but the reality is that the position of Deputy Editor is not about the money. The contractual relationship is with Thomson Reuters.

Toby has agreed to continue to work on the EHRLR until Issue 6, 2020 has gone to print. We are currently working on Issue 5. There will therefore be a period of overlap, where Toby will be able to work with the new Deputy Editor.

We hope to appoint the Deputy Editor as soon as possible.

Deadline for applications: 23rd September 2020

Interviews via Zoom w/c 28th September 2020

To apply, please send a CV with a covering letter of no more than one side of A4 to Jonathan Cooper: j.cooper@doughtystreet.co.uk.
