

# Christopher Gosnell

YEAR OF CALL: 2000 STATE OF NEW YORK | 2002 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK



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## Overview

**Christopher has practiced international criminal law for more than twenty years acting for the defence, victims, and prosecuting, as well as with the United Nations.**

Christopher was called to the New York State Bar in 2000 and the Southern District State of New York Bar in 2002. He practises in:

**International Criminal Law**

## International Law

### International Humanitarian and Human Rights Law

He has served as lead counsel and co-counsel in proceedings before the **International Criminal Court**, the **International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia**, and the **International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda**, including high-profile cases involving charges of genocide. He has advised a State in relation to complex international criminal law issues, and worked as a Senior Legal Officer with the United Nations investigating serious international crimes for referral to national authorities.

Prior to working in the field of international criminal law, he was a litigation associate with the New York law firm of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett, which he joined after serving as a law clerk at the Supreme Court of Canada.

Christopher currently directs a course as an adjunct faculty member at the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights and was previously a lecturer-in-law at Columbia Law School.

He is the **co-editor** of Principles of Evidence in International Criminal Justice and is the **author** of articles and book chapters, including *“Damned If You Don’t: Liability for Omissions in International Criminal Law,”* in The Ashgate Research Companion to International Criminal Law, and chapters of the Oxford commentary on The United Nations Principles to Combat Impunity.

## *Professional Appointments*

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International Criminal Court (ICC) list counsel.

Senior Legal Officer at the United Nations (UNITAD & IIMM) - 2020-2024.

International Criminal Court Bar Association Vice-President - 2017-2018 & 2019-2020.

## *Languages*

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Christopher is fluent in French.

## *Extradition & International*

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### *Cases of Note*

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#### **Prosecutor v. Charles Taylor**

Appeal Co-Counsel in Liberia's Charles Taylor appeal at The Hague.

#### **Prosecutor v. Ntaganda**

Co-Counsel.

#### **Prosecutor v. Popovic et al**

Lead Counsel for Borovcanin.

#### **Prosecutor v. Bemba et al.**

Lead Counsel for Mangenda.

#### **Prosecutor v. Hadzic**

Co-Counsel.

#### **In re Sebureze**

Lead Counsel.