

This is a list of Honorary Benchers of Gray's Inn since 1883, when the Inn first used the title.

| Name and Title | Dates | Date elected |
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| Thomas O'Hagan, Lord O'Hagan | (1812-85) | 21 Dec 1883 |
| John David Fitzgerald, Lord Fitzgerald | (1816-89) | 21 Dec 1883 |
| William Watson, Lord Watson of Thankerton | (1827-99) | 14 Apr 1886 |
| Edward Gibson, Lord Ashbourne | (1837-1913) | 14 Apr 1886 |
| William Romilly, 2nd Baron Romilly | (1835-91) | 18 Dec 1889 |
| Alexander Burns Shand, Lord Shand | (1828-1905) | 23 Mar 1892 |
| Sir Edmund Barton | (1849-1920) | 6 June 1902 |
| Sir Wilfrid Laurier | (1841-1919) | 3 May 1907 |
| Alfred Deakin | (1856-1919) | 3 May 1907 |
| William ("Billy") Morris Hughes | (1862-1952) | 11 May 1916 |
| Prof Henry Goudy | (1848-1921) | 6 June 1917 |
| James Avon Clyde, later Lord Clyde | (1863-1944) | 4 Apr 1919 |
| James Montgomery Beck | (1861-1936) | 17 Nov 1920 |
| Paul Drennan Cravath | (1861-1936) | 17 Nov 1920 |
| Sir Robert Horne, later Viscount Horne | (1871-1940) | 31 Jan 1923 |
| Lyman Poore Duff, later Sir Lyman | (1865-1955) | 7 May 1924 |
| William Watson, later Lord Thankerton | (1873-1948) | 4 May 1928 |
| William Norman Tilley | (1868-1942) | 26 Apr 1933 |
| Very Rev Walter Robert Matthews | (1881-1973) | 14 Nov 1934 |
| Sir Shadi Lal | (1874-1945) | 12 Apr 1935 |
| Robert Gordon Menzies, later Sir Robert | (1894-1978) | 8 July 1935 |
| Winston Churchill, later Sir Winston | (1874-1965) | 18 Feb 1942 |
| Franklin Delano Roosevelt | (1882-1945) | 15 Dec 1943 |
| William Lyon Mackenzie King | (1874-1950) | 17 July 1946 |
| Jan Hendrik Hofmeyr | (1894-1948) | 17 July 1946 |
| Robert Falco | (1882-1960) | 18 Nov 1946 |
| Maj-Gen Iona Timofayevitch Nikitchenko | (1895-1967) | 18 Nov 1946 (no evidence that he accepted) |
| John Clarke MacDermott, Lord MacDermott | (1896-1979) | 7 May 1947 |
| James Scott Cumberland Reid, Lord Reid of Drem | (1890-1975) | 17 Nov 1948 |
| Edward Brantwood Maufe, later Sir Edward | (1883-1974) | 27 Nov 1951 |
| Felix Frankfurter | (1882-1965) | 15 Oct 1952 |
| John Erskine Read | (1888-1973) | 5 May 1953 |
| John George Diefenbaker | (1895-1979) | 20 Nov 1958 |
| Sir Alfred Kingsley North | (1900-81) | 20 July 1965 |
| Sir Fred Pritchard | (1899-1982) | 20 July 1965 |
| Earl Warren | (1891-1974) | 1 Sep 1965 |
| Edward Richard George Heath, later Sir Edward | (1916-2005) | 8 July 1970 |
| Charles James Dalrymple Shaw, Lord Kilbrandon | (1906-89) | 22 July 1971 |

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| Robert Lecourt | (1908-2004) | | 8 Feb 1972 |
| John ("Jack") Ross Marshall, later Sir John | (1912-88) | | 2 May 1972 |
| Sir (Edward) Denis Blundell | (1907-84) | | 18 Dec 1973 |
| Nagendra Singh | (1914-88) | | 18 Dec 1973 |
| Gordon William Humphreys Richardson, Lord Richardson of Duntisbourne | (1915-2010) | | 18 Dec 1973 |
| Sir John (Samuel) Richardson, bart, later Lord Richardson | (1910-2004) | | 20 Nov 1974 |
| Dr Trevor Cawdor Thomas | (1914-85) | | 20 Nov 1974 |
| (Walter) Ian (Reid) Fraser, Lord Fraser of Tullybelton | (1911-89) | | 18 Dec 1974 |
| Bernard Chenot | (1909-95) | | 28 Nov 1975 |
| Vicomte Walter Jean Oscar Louis Marie Ganshof van der Meersch | (1900-93) | | 28 Nov 1975 |
| Oswald Terry | (1907-83) | | 17 Nov 1976 |
| Francis Henry Cowper | (1906-90) | | 28 July 1977 |
| Very Rev Sydney Hall Evans | (1915-88) | | 2 Nov 1977 |
| Sir Zelman Cowen | (1919-2011) | | 7 Feb 1978 |
| Sir Jack Isaac Hai Jacob | (1908-2000) | | 19 July 1978 |
| Alfred Thompson Denning, Lord Denning | (1899-1999) | | 17 Jan 1979 |
| Sir Ellis Emmanuel Innocent Clarke | (1917-2010) | | 27 Nov 1979 |
| Sir David Stuart Beattie | (1924-2001) | | 26 March 1980 |
| Dr John Morris, QC | (1910-84) | | 23 Apr 1980 |
| Sir Charles Russell | (1912-92) | | 15 Oct 1980 |
| Most Rev Robert Alexander Kennedy Runcie | (1921-2000) | | 25 Nov 1980 |
| Hon Sir Shridath Surendranath "Sonny" Ramphal | | | 23 July 1981 |
| Prof Alexander Chloros | (1926-82) | | 23 July 1981 |
| Rt Hon Sir Ninian (Martin) Stephen | | | 24 Nov 1981 |
| James Wellwood | (1902-85) | | 3 Feb 1982 |
| Arnold Weinstock, Lord Weinstock of Bowden | (1924-2002) | | 28 Apr 1982 |
| Sandra Day O'Connor | | | 21 July 1982 |
| Prof Sir Guenter Treitel | | | 3 Nov 1982 |
| Thomas George Thomas, Viscount Tonypandy | (1909-97) | | 13 Dec 1982 |
| William Philip Sidney, Lord De L'Isle & Dudley, Viscount De L'Isle | (1909-91) | | 13 Dec 1982 |
| Prof Randolph Quirk, later Lord Quirk | | | 20 Apr 1983 |
| Derek Curtis Bok | | | 20 July 1983 |
| Gp-Capt (Geoffrey) Leonard Cheshire, later Lord Cheshire | (1917-92) | | 20 July 1983 |
| Rt Hon Margaret Hilda Thatcher, later Baroness Thatcher | (1925-2013) | | 9 Nov 1983 |
| Sir James Rufus Astwood | | | 8 July 1985 |
| Spyros Achilleos Kyprianou | (1932-2002) | | 6 Nov 1985 |
| Prof Sir Thomas Smith, QC | (1915-88) | | 25 Nov 1986 |
| Prof John Meurig Thomas | | | 25 Nov 1986 |
| Helen Mary Warnock, Baroness Warnock | | | 25 Nov 1986 |

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| Rt Hon Sir Donald Murray | | | 23 July 1987 |
| Noor Mohamed Hassanali | (1918-2006) | | 4 Nov 1987 |
| Sir David Hopkin | (1922-97) | | 20 Jan 1988 |
| HRH Grand Duke Jean of Luxembourg | | | 15 June 1988 |
| Ole Due | (1931-2005) | | 2 Nov 1988 |
| Prof Ian Scott | | | 2 Nov 1988 |
| Benno C Schmidt Jr | | | 22 Nov 1988 |
| Prof Benjamin Wortley, QC | (1907-89) | | 19 Dec 1988 |
| Prof Robert Heuston | (1923-95) | | 19 Dec 1988 |
| Rt Hon Kenneth Clarke, QC, MP | | | 16 Feb 1989 |
| Sir Ti-Liang Yang | | | 24 Mar 1989 |
| Pathmanathan Ramanathan | (1932-2006) | | 5 July 1989 |
| Andreas Nicolas Loizou | (1926-2002) | | 5 July 1989 |
| Enoch Dumbutshena | (1920-2000) | | 5 July 1989 |
| Lord Hope of Craighead | | | 21 Nov 1989 |
| Prof Krzysztof Skubiszewski | (1926-2010) | | 16 Jan 1991 |
| David H Souter | | | 16 Jan 1991 |
| Dr Francis Mann | (1907-91) | | 2 July 1991 |
| Ralph Francis Alnwick Grey, Lord Grey of Naunton | (1910-99) | | 26 Nov 1991 |
| Prof James Crawford | | | 26 Nov 1991 |
| Rt Hon Sir David Edward | | | 17 March 1992 |
| Dame Josephine Barnes | (1912-99) | | 24 Nov 1992 |
| Sir Vincent Frederick Floissac | (1928-2010) | | 24 Nov 1992 |
| Hon Chief Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed | | | 14 Jan 1993 |
| Prof Dr Christian von Bar | | | 25 Nov 1993 |
| Rt Hon Sir Robert Carswell, now Lord Carswell | | | 25 Nov 1993 |
| Judge Alister Kneller | (1927-2005) | | 23 Nov 1995 |
| Hon Sir Joaquim Gonsalves-Sabola | (1929-2008) | | 23 Nov 1995 |
| Herr Bundespräsident Roman Herzog | | | 28 Apr 1994 |
| Rt Hon Sir Michael Hardie Boys | | | 24 Nov 1994 |
| Rt Hon Alistair Nicholson | | | 24 Nov 1994 |
| Rt Hon Sir Michael Nicholson | | | 24 Nov 1994 |
| Sir Mark Weinberg | | | 24 Nov 1994 |
| Rt Hon Sir Anthony Campbell | | | 24 Nov 1994 |
| Gil Carlos Rodriguez Iglesias | | | 23 Nov 1995 |
| Mme Noelle Lenoir | | | 23 Nov 1995 |
| Rt Hon Michael Anthony De La Bastide | | | 5 Nov 1996 |
| Rt Hon Sir John Sheil | | | 5 Nov 1996 |
| Rev Canon Eric James | (1925-2012) | | 16 Dec 1997 |
| Rt Hon Sir Brian Kerr, now Rt Hon Lord Kerr of Tonaghmore | | | 16 Dec 1997 |
| Hon Henry Litton | | | 15 Dec 1998 |
| Matthew Ngulube | | | 15 Dec 1998 |
| Judge Stephen H Schwebel | | | 15 Dec 1998 |
| Prof Dr Guido Alpa | | | 15 Dec 1998 |
| Prof Dr Jutta Limbach | | | 15 Dec 1998 |
| Hon Mrs Lavinia Wallop | | | 15 Dec 1998 |
| Rt Hon Sir Paul Girvan, now Rt Hon Lord Justice Girvan | | | 15 Dec 1998 |

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| Sir Charles Frossard | (1922-2012) | | 25 Nov 1999 |
| Guy Canivet | | | 25 Nov 1999 |
| Rt Hon Sir Liam McCollum | | | 25 Nov 1999 |
| Rt Hon Sir Patrick Coghlin, now Rt Hon Lord Justice Coghlin | | | 25 Nov 1999 |
| Clarence Thomas | | | 23 Nov 2000 |
| Hon Louise Arbour | | | 23 Nov 2000 |
| Richard Banda | | | 23 Nov 2000 |
| Hon Sir John Gillen | | | 23 Nov 2000 |
| Sir John Collyear | | | 23 Nov 2000 |
| Prof Paul Craig | | | 23 Nov 2000 |
| David Machin | | | 23 Nov 2000 |
| Hon Dame Silvia Cartwright | | | 22 Nov 2001 |
| Prof Dr Dr Claus-Dieter Ehlermann | | | 22 Nov 2001 |
| Hon Sir Richard McLaughlin | | | 22 Nov 2001 |
| General the Lord Ramsbotham | | | 22 Nov 2001 |
| Rt Hon Dame Joan Sawyer | | | 22 Nov 2001 |
| Arthur Marriott, QC | (1943-2015) | | 22 Nov 2001; elected a Full Bencher Sep 2012 |
| John Clitheroe | | | 14 Nov 2002 |
| Rt Hon Harriet Harman, MP | | | 14 Nov 2002 |
| Rt Hon Beverley McLachlin | | | 14 Nov 2002 |
| Hon Justice Anthony Smellie | | | 14 Nov 2002 |
| Baroness O'Neill of Bengarve | | | 14 Nov 2002 |
| Rt Hon Lord Woolf | | | 13 Nov 2003 |
| Ahmad Tejan Kabbah | (1932-2014) | | 13 Nov 2003 |
| Hon Sir Ronald Weatherup | | | 13 Nov 2003 |
| Prof Baron Walter van Gerven | (1935-2015) | | 13 Nov 2003 |
| Joshua Rozenberg | | | 13 Nov 2003 |
| Tyronne Fernando | (1941-2008) | | 13 Nov 2003 |
| Dominique de Villepin | | | 26 Feb 2004 |
| Sir David Brewer | | | 11 Nov 2004 |
| Judge Dominique Hascher | | | 11 Nov 2004 |
| Hon Geoffrey Ma Tao-Li | | | 11 Nov 2004 |
| Michael Napier | | | 11 Nov 2004 |
| Hon John Dyson Heydon | | | 7 Dec 2004 |
| Katherine Dandrieux Lisfranc | | | 10 Nov 2005 |
| Peter Stockwell | | | 10 Nov 2005 |
| Peter Hurst | | | 9 Nov 2006 |
| Judge Johann Kriegler | | | 9 Nov 2006 |
| Timothy Workman | | | 9 Nov 2006 |
| Most Rev & Rt Hon Dr John Sentamu | | | 9 Nov 2006 |
| Prof Paul Davies | | | 18 Jan 2007 |
| Prof David Ibbetson | | | 8 Nov 2007 |
| Rt Hon Lord Patten of Barnes | | | 8 Nov 2007 |
| Hon Lady Smith | | | 8 Nov 2007 |
| Hon Tan Sri Dato' Seri Siti Norma Yaakob | | | 8 Nov 2007 |
| Maj-Gen David Jenkins | | | 4 Apr 2008 |
| Dorit Beinisch | | | 2 Oct 2008 |
| Rt Hon Lord Dear | | | 2 Oct 2008 |

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| Hon Robert French | | | 2 Oct 2008 |
| Prof Dame Hazel Genn | | | 2 Oct 2008 |
| Sir Geoffrey Rowland | | | 2 Oct 2008 |
| Rt Hon Lord Phillips of Worth Matravers | | | 2 Oct 2008 |
| Justice Sonia Sotomayor | | | 8 Oct 2009 |
| Prof Jane Stapleton | | | 8 Oct 2009 |
| Martin Shaw | | | 21 Oct 2010 |
| Prof Jan Paulsson | | | 21 Oct 2010 |
| Hon Justice Susan Crennan | | | 21 Oct 2010 |
| Her Ladyship the Hon Justice Uma Hawa Tejan-Jalloh | | | 21 Oct 2010 |
| Prof David Wootton | | | 10 Feb 2011 |
| His Honour Neil Denison | | | 13 Oct 2011 |
| Monty Raphael QC | | | 13 Oct 2011 |
| Dame Ursula Brennan | | | 13 Oct 2011 |
| Robert Coren | | | 18 Oct 2012 |
| Dame Janet Gaymer | | | 18 Oct 2012 |
| Judge Howard Riddle | | | 18 Oct 2012 |
| Prof Sir John Baker | | | 17 Oct 2013 |
| Dr Tim McInerney | | | 17 Oct 2013 |
| Judge Dean Spielmann | | | 17 Oct 2013 |
| Hon Mr Justice Robert Tang | | | 17 Oct 2013 |
| Robert Swannell | | | 9 Oct 2014 |
| District Judge Michael Walker | | | 9 Oct 2014 |
| Mme Françoise Kamara | | | 9 Oct 2014 |
| Hon Justice Susan Kiefel | | | 13 Nov 2014 |
| Sir Richard Collas | | | 14 Oct 2015 |
| Master Barbara Fontaine | | | 14 Oct 2015 |
| Neil MacGregor | | | 14 Oct 2015 |
| Prof Richard Susskind | | | 14 Oct 2015 |
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