## PRACTISING CRIMINAL LAW IN HONG KONG

Comparisons with the Canadian Criminal Justice System and Opportunities for Canadian Law School Graduates

This talk will look at features of criminal practices and procedures in each jurisdiction which help to secure a fair trial and their differences. Some of the practices and procedures in Hong Kong may assist in the problems generated from the Supreme Court of Canada's decision in R v Jordan. At the end of the talk Mr. Blanchflower will give a general outline of how a UBC law graduate can qualify and practice law in Hong Kong as a solicitor or barrister.

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Mr. Blanchflower specializes in criminal law and human rights law. He has considerable experience in trials and appeals in the courts of Hong Kong, in particular complex fraud cases, proceeds of crime, bribery, regulatory and securities offences, extradition, mutual legal assistance, as well as general crime. In September 2002 he commenced private practice and he does predominantly criminal defense work. Prior to this, Mr. Blanchflower was a counsel in the Department of Justice, Hong Kong Government, doing prosecution and appeals, extradition and mutual legal assistance, and administrative and constitutional law (1986-2002).

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