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Stephen Vokes is, and has been for a number of years, rated leading junior Counsel in the Midlands in the areas of Immigration and Asylum work according to Chambers and Partners Guide to the Legal Profession.

He practices exclusively in this field, and has done so for over

30 years, and appears regularly in the High Court and Court of Appeal. Stephen has represented Appellant's in the leading Country Guidance cases in respect of Afghanistan, Sudan, Uzbekistan and also Iranian Christians and Afghani women.

Recent work includes the latest Country Guidance cases by the Upper Tribunal on Afghanistan (AK (Article 15 (c)) Afghanistan CG [2012] UKUT 163 (IAC)) and Uzbekistan (LM (returnees-expired exit permit) Uzbekistan CG [2012] 390 (IAC); Patel (AKA Ravel) R (on the application of) SSHD (IJR) [2015] UKUT 95 (IAC); IM & AI (Risks - membership of Beja Tribe, Beja Congress and JEM:Sudan) GG [2016] UKUT 188 (IAC). Stephen appeared for the person whose refugee status was being revoked in the leading case on the cessation of refugee status SSHD v MS (Somalia) 2019 EWCA Civ 1345.

## **Practice Groups**

Immigration & Human Rights

## **Reported Cases**

R (Rusdi Mohammed) v An Adjudicator, The Times 12th December 2002 Skanderaj v SSHD [2003] 4 AlIER 555 R (Bosombangwa) v IAT [2004] EWCA 1656 Admin FS & Others v SSHD (Iran-Christian converts) CG Iran [2004] UKIAT 00303 NS v SSHD (Social Group - Women - Forced Marriage) CG Afghanistan [2004] UKIAT 00328

B2 DR (Risk-Political Journalist) Iran CG [2002] UKAIT 06452 Nhengu v SSHD [2004] EWCA Civ 298. Link to case **here**. OS (10 years' lawful residence) Hong Kong [2006] UKIAT 00031 R (Yusuf & Others) v SSHD [2006] EWHC [Admin] 3513

ZH (Afghanistan) v SSHD [2009] EWCA Civ 470 EM (Zimbabwe) v SSHD [2009] EWCA Civ 1006 AK (Article 15 ( c)) Afghanistan CG [2012] UKUT 163 (IAC) LM (returnees-expired exit permit) Uzbekistan CG [2012] 390 (IAC) Patel (AKA Ravel) R (on the application of) v SSHD (IJR) [2015] UKUT 95 (IAC) IM and AI (Risks-membership of Benjamin Tribe, Beja Congress, and JEM; Sudan) CG [2016] MS (Art. IC (5) Mogadishu) v SSHD [2018] UKUT 196 (IAC) SSHD v MS (Somalia) [2019] EWCA CIV 1345

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