

Professor Bernard Knight CBE

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Emeritus Professor of Forensic Pathology, University of Wales College of Medicine

Summary of Curriculum Vitae

Name; Professor Bernard Henry Knight CBE

DOB; 3 May 1931

Nationality; Welsh, born in Cardiff, Wales

Address; 26 Millwood, Llysfaen, Cardiff CF14 0TL, Wales

Qualifications:

Bachelor of Medicine 1954, Bachelor of Surgery (with Distinction) 1954 from Welsh National School of Medicine, University of Wales

Doctorate in Medicine (by thesis), University of Wales 1966

Member of College of Pathologists, London 1964

Fellow of Royal College of Pathologists, London, 1976

Member of Royal College of Physicians, London 1978

Diplomate in Medical Jurisprudence, Society of Apothecaries, London 1966
LicencMembro do Colégio de Patologista

Barrister of Gray's Inn, London, 1967

Honorary Degrees;

Doctor of Laws LLD (University of Wales),

Doctor of Science DSc (University of Glamorgan),

Doctor of Medicine DM (University of Turku, Finland),

Doctor of Philosophy PhD (Tokyo Women's Medical University),

Honours and Awards;

Commander of British Empire (CBE) 1993 for services to forensic medicine

General Service Medal GSM (Malayan Campaign) 1956

Fellow of the Faculty of Forensic Medicine, Royal College of Physicians

Hon Fellow of Hong Kong College of Pathologists,

Hon Fellow, Royal Society of Medicine, London

Hon. Member, Royal Belgian Academy of Medicine

Hon Member, Hungarian Society of Legal Medicine

Hon Member, Finnish Society of Forensic Medicine

Hon Member, German Society of Legal Medicine

Hon Member, Medico-Legal Society of China

Honorary Fellow, Swansea Institute of Higher Education

Professional Appointments

Intern in Medicine and Surgery, Cardiff & Swansea 1954-45

Senior House Officer in Pathology, Cardiff 1955-56

Regular Army Pathologist (Captain RAMC) in Malaya during Terrorist Emergency 1956-59.

Lecturer in Forensic Medicine, London Hospital Medical College, London University 1959-62
Lecturer in Forensic Medicine, Welsh National School of Medicine, 1962-65
Senior Lecturer in Forensic Pathology, University of Newcastle upon Tyne 1965-68
Senior Lecturer, then *Reader*, then *Professor* of Forensic Pathology, University of Wales
College of Medicine, 1968-96.
Founder and Director, Wales Institute of Forensic Medicine, University of Wales, 1982-96
Consultant Pathologist to British Home Office 1965-99

Formerly;-

President, British Association in Forensic Medicine
President, Forensic Science Society
Vice-President, International Academy of Legal Medicine
Chairman, Scientific Committee of International Academy of Legal Medicine
Member, Council of Europe Committee on Autopsy Protocols, Strasbourg
Elected Member for Wales, UK General Medical Council 1978-93
Member, GMC Professional Conduct Committee, GMC Preliminary Proceedings Committee,
GMC Overseas Committee etc
Council Member, Royal College of Pathologists
Chairman (twice), Forensic Committee, Royal College of Pathologists
Member, Home Office Policy Advisory Committee in Forensic Pathology
Member, Home Office Quality Assurance Committee in Forensic Pathology
Member, European and Cases Committees of Medical Protection Society, London
World Health Organisation Consultant in Forensic Pathology, Sri Lanka 1982
Managing Editor of '*Forensic Science International*' (Elsevier journal)
Joint Editor of *Welsh Medical Gazette* 1970-82
British Council Lecturer to India, Malaya, Hong Kong etc

Visiting Professor and/or Examiner to;

Universities of Hong Kong, Malaya, Tripoli, Guangzhou (China), Kuwait, Tokyo, Colombo,
Copenhagen, Glasgow, Dublin, Galway, London, Leeds, Bristol etc.

Lecture visits to Norway, Germany, Finland, Sweden, Denmark, Hungary, Romania,
Switzerland, Spain, USSR, China, India, Malaya, Singapore, Japan, USA, Iceland, Sri Lanka,
Australia, South Africa, Kuwait.

Consultant on Human Rights Abuse to Amnesty International and to Medical Foundation for
the Treatment of Victims of Torture (with missions to several countries, like Uganda, Kuwait,
etc.).

Research Interests

Estimation of the time since death
Post-mortem detection of early myocardial infarction
The dating of human skeletal remains
The sudden death in infancy syndrome ('cot death')

Publications

Author of several international textbooks on forensic pathology and legal medicine including;-

Estimation of Time of Death in the Early Post-mortem Period (Editor and contributor) (Arnold,
London, two editions, 1995 & 2002)

Legal Aspects of Medical Practice (Churchill, London) 5 editions
Forensic Pathology (Arnold, London) 3 editions
Forensic Radiology (with K Evans, Blackwell, Oxford)
The Coroner's Autopsy (Churchill, London)
Sudden Death in Infancy (Faber, London)
Simpson's Forensic Medicine (Arnold, London, three editions)
Postmortem Technician's Handbook (Blackwell, Oxford)
Pocket Guide to Forensic Medicine (Gower, London)
Medical Jurisprudence and Toxicology (Law Publishers, India)
Discovering the Human Body (Lippincott & Crowell, New York) 1980
Lawyer's Guide to Forensic Medicine (2 editions) (Heinemann & Cavendish, London)
Murder, Suicide or Accident (Hale, London, St Martin's, New York)

Numerous chapters and contributions to other international textbooks.

About 250 publications in indexed medical and legal journals

General

Has been a pathologist since 1955 and a full time forensic pathologist since 1959
Appointed as a consultant pathologist to the Home Office from 1965 to 1999,
Has performed about 25,000 medico-legal autopsies, including many homicides.
Has held office in many professional forensic societies etc in UK and internationally
Has given expert reports and evidence in court for both prosecution and defence and in civil cases for the past 55 years, both in UK, USA, Canada, Denmark, Hong Kong and other parts of the world.

Awarded the CBE (Commander of the British Empire) by H M The Queen in 1993 for services to Forensic Medicine

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