

KWAI HONG IP OBE (G81-88)

Kwai Hong Ip, the son of a local business owner in Framlingham, was fortunate to be educated at Brandeston Hall (80-83), where he was Head Boy, and at Framlingham College (G83-88) as a scholar and Head of Garrett House.

In 1988, he went on to Kings College London to study Law on a RAF Bursary. After graduating in 1991, he joined the RAF and qualified as a Navigator / Weapons Systems Officer. He later transferred to the RAF Legal Branch as a prosecutor and, for a while, seconded to NATO as a military legal adviser in the Kosovo Force (KFOR).

On leaving the RAF in 2002, he moved to California and began practicing law there.

From 2004 to 2012 he was appointed to a variety of roles with international organisations involved with international criminal prosecutions including:

- United Nations Mission in Kosovo [UNMIK]
- The Prosecutor's Office of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Sarajevo to prosecute atrocity crimes arising from the conflict in 1992-1995
- The Special Tribunal for Lebanon in The Hague on the assassination of former Lebanese Prime Minister, Rafik Hariri
- The EU Mission in Kosovo [EULEX] as Deputy Lead Prosecutor for the EU Special Investigative Task Force then the Deputy Specialist Prosecutor before the Kosovo Specialist Chambers in The Hague.

He joined the European Patent Office in Munich as a Director (Legal) in September 2020.

In the 2020 New Years Honours List he was appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) for "services to International Criminal Law."

He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and a certified mediator.

