

# REDRESS

*Ending Torture. Seeking Justice for Survivors*

## REDRESS SEEKS TO APPOINT NEW TRUSTEES

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### **REDRESS works in the UK and globally to help torture survivors obtain justice**

Founded in 1992 and registered as a charity in the UK, REDRESS is a small, specialised and widely respected human rights organisation that works internationally to obtain justice for survivors of torture and end impunity for governments and individuals who perpetrate it, and to develop and ensure compliance with international standards.

The organisation provides specialised legal assistance to individuals and communities in securing their rights, conducts advocacy with governments, parliaments, international organisations and the media and works in partnership with like-minded organisations around the world. More information on REDRESS' work can be found on its website: [www.redress.org](http://www.redress.org).

### **THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

REDRESS' Board currently consists of eight persons.<sup>1</sup> It is comprised of experts within fields of relevance to REDRESS' work, including law, diplomacy and human rights. All share a firm commitment to the values and ethos of REDRESS and to serving the survivors and communities impacted by torture.

Trustees are essential to our work. They are the guardians of our purpose and provide strategic direction to the organisation including by setting overall policy goals. They also provide oversight on finances, and are expected to ensure the organisation meets the obligations of the law. In addition, each trustee should use any specific skills, knowledge or experience they have to help the board of trustees reach sound decisions. This may involve scrutinising board papers; leading discussions; focusing on key issues; providing guidance on new initiatives; or other issues in which the trustee has special expertise.

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<sup>1</sup> The list of current trustees is available here: <http://www.redress.org/smartweb/about/the-redress-team#trustees>

## **PARTICULAR PROFILES SOUGHT**

The Board wishes to increase diversity and strengthen the skills base, in particular within the following fields:

- **Medical or psychological support to survivors of trauma**
- **Communications experts**, including broadcast journalists or related media specialists
- **Fundraising**, in particular individuals with experience in cultivating individual donor support

## **TERMS:**

Board members would need to be able to make a commitment to REDRESS of at least three years

The Board meets approximately once per month at REDRESS' offices in London. The time of meetings is usually 6:00pm - 8:00pm.

Board members work on a voluntary basis.

## **How to Apply:**

Please send an expression of interest together with a CV to the Chair of the Board of Trustees, via [Carla@redress.org](mailto:Carla@redress.org).

**Submission deadline:** Candidates will be considered on a rolling basis