



THE SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION FOR
THE STUDY OF OFFENDING

**This is an open meeting, free
to all with an interest in
crime and criminal justice.**

**There is no need to register
to attend – just turn up on
the evening!**

**1½ hours of CPD time may
be claimed by Advocates,
Solicitors, Police and Social
Workers.**

**Registration at the event
will be required for the first
two professions.**

**Refreshments will be
available at the end of the
Lecture.**

ALL WELCOME!

Scottish Association for the Study of Offending

Edinburgh Branch

**Invite you to attend a public lecture on
Tuesday 3rd December 2024 at 5.30pm**

by

Michael Walker

Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission

entitled

**“The Scottish Criminal Cases Review
Commission and its work”**

at

**Edinburgh Sheriff Court, Chambers Street,
Edinburgh**

Michael Walker was appointed as Chief Executive of the Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission in 2021, and has spent 20 years of his legal career there. He has reviewed the most complex cases including that of the Lockerbie Bomber, and of the convicted murderers Luke Mitchell and David Gilroy. He has also sat as a part-time tribunal judge and he was a member of the Scottish Government’s Jury Research Advisory Group.

His talk will provide some historical perspective on the establishment of the Commission, the Commission’s function and how it sits within the criminal justice system in Scotland, the Commission’s case-review and decision process, some examples of successful Commission referrals to the High Court sitting as the appeal court, and how the Commission’s decisions to refuse cases may be subject to judicial review.

The aim of SASO is to bring together people with a wide range of experience in the criminal justice system so that by listening, talking and sharing experience, a better understanding of our common problems will develop.

For more information about SASO, its aims and objectives, ongoing activities and membership options please visit our website at www.sastudyoffending.org.uk

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