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Throughout the twentieth century, administrations have wrestled with public concerns over national disasters and social scandals. The history and function of public inquiries are discussed here, depicting the dominant habit of lawyers up to the Bloody Sunday Inquiry, ill-directed in 1998 for twelve-and-a-half years. The author became the legal

representative for the Northern Ireland Civil Rights Association in December 2000, two years into the public inquiry. Modernisation of public inquiries took place in the Inquiries Act 2005, heralded as a good piece of legislation. The result is a system of public inquiries conducted uniformly by Commissioners of Inquiry. Judges and leading lawyers are often Commissioners of Inquiry, although public inquiries are, as they always were, sterile of legal effect. They are the long arm of the sponsoring Minister; as Lord Bingham stated, 'unlike any court of law.' [Subject: Constitutional Law, Public Law, Media Law]

Sir Louis has long been the Voltaire and Bentham of our days, crisp, critical, liberal and humane. Public Inquiries is another reasoned and persuasive investigation, a model of clear thinking. -- Antony Lentin * The Times Literary Supplement *About the Author Louis Blom-Cooper QC was a barrister at Doughty Street Chambers, and has over 30 years experience in public inquiries.