



YEAR OF CALL 2004

Education

MAs (Hons) Psychology –
St Andrews University
Graduate Diploma in Law
– University of
Westminster
Bar Vocational Course –
BPP Law School

Appointments

CPS Advocate Panel at
Grade 4
Appointed as a RASSO
specialist rape prosecutor
CPS Extradition Panel at
Grade 1

Memberships

Criminal Bar Association
The South Eastern Circuit

Overview of Practice

Liam is an experienced criminal law advocate who both defends and prosecutes serious and complex cases at the Crown Court.

He has received Judicial praise for his “high quality advocacy skills” as well as “thoroughness, sound judgement and insight”.

His decision making and case strategy have been described as “perfectly pitched” and he is highly regarded by other lawyers and judges for the degree of preparation he puts into cases.

Expertise

Below is an illustration of some of the cases in which Liam has appeared.

– Rape

R v G (Canterbury Crown Court) – Secured the acquittal of G who was accused of raping and sexually abusing both his daughter and step daughter over a 15 year period between 1969-1984; historic sexual abuse case involving vulnerable witnesses and an elderly defendant.

R v S (Aylesbury Crown Court) – Defended S who was accused of raping his partner; case required the careful cross examination of vulnerable witnesses through an interpreter.

– Firearms

R v G, Z, S & S – Successfully prosecuted a conspiracy to supply a firearm, silencer and ammunition; evidence in the case included issues relating to DNA forensics, fingerprints, cell site evidence, covert surveillance and the admissibility of body worn video.

R v A & S (Luton Crown Court) – Secured the acquittal of A following trial; A was accused of False Imprisonment and an Aggravated domestic burglary during which a firearm and knives were allegedly produced to threaten the complainant and his family.

– Drugs

R v R, D, K, A, F & H (Harrow Crown Court) – Successfully prosecuted the defendants for being concerned in a conspiracy to supply cocaine; the case was part of operation Keswick and involved the covert surveillance of a large criminal organisation supplying class A drugs across the Midlands and South East of England (led by Jim Dick).

R v O, P & W (Woolwich Crown Court) – Successfully prosecuted the defendants for running a “County Lines” drug dealing network into Gravesend as part of a conspiracy to supply heroin and cocaine.

R v C & G (Bournemouth Crown Court) – Successfully prosecuted C & G for the “County Lines” supply of class A drugs into Bournemouth.

– White Collar Crime

R v M & B (Aylesbury Crown Court) – Successfully secured the acquittal of B (2nd defendant) who was accused of being involved in a conspiracy to launder funds stolen from a shell company based by in Germany by the Managing Director. Funds stolen and transferred to the defendant's bank accounts were in excess of £800,000.00.

R v M, J & Others (Kingston Crown Court) – Represented J (2nd defendant) during the course of 2 month trial of 6 defendants; the 2nd defendant was accused of laundering over £500,000.00 stolen by the 1st defendant from the building services company where she was employed as the accountant. The money received by the 2nd defendant was then transferred to the accounts of other family members and friends (3rd – 6th defendants).

– **Serious Violence**

R v I (Central Criminal Court) – Prosecuted I for cutting the throat of a fellow prisoner whilst on remand at HMP Pentonville; case involved procuring and managing the attendance of reluctant prosecution witnesses who were serving prisoners.

R v O (Woolwich Crown Court) – Successfully prosecuted O for attacking his friend with a carpentry saw; injuries to the victim's neck were almost fatal.
