

## **Public Defender Service**

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## **Position: Crown Court Case Progression Officer**

Sarah worked in private practice for 31 years with the same company and was a dedicated loyal team member. Sarah joined the Public Defender Service in January 2019 as a new role was developed within the service of Crown Court Case Progression Officer. Sarah previously undertook this role in private practice and ran a successful Crown Court Department dealing with many serious cases, some of which were high profile, from Murder involving a sawn-off shotgun and several murders of children often referred to as baby shaking, to assaults, sexual offences, fraud, drugs conspiracies and following through with Proceeds of Crime Act Hearings.

On a personal level Sarah has been an Accredited Police Station Representative since the scheme commenced in 1995. Sarah regularly attends the Police Station to represent clients and then prepares their cases for Crown Court Hearings.

Sarah enjoys the challenge of dealing with serious crime and providing a caring and sympathetic approach to her clients whilst supporting them through often very difficult times in their lives. Sarah prides herself in providing a comprehensive and proactive defence to all clients. Sarah always works hard to achieve the best possible outcome for her clients by ensuring her cases are well prepared and well presented.