

Curriculum Vitae

GERRY MOHABIR

MA, LLB (Hons)

Called 1996 Middle Temple (Normanton-Scruton Scholarship)

CBA, South Eastern Circuit

Pupil Supervisor

Appointments: Adjudicator RUCA (2019), ETA (2021)

Expertise

Conducted in excess of 250 Crown Court trials and appeared regularly in Court of Appeal.

Exclusively criminal defence for the last 20 years.

Strong reputation as an experienced defence practitioner in predominantly criminal heavyweight cases, both as a Leading Junior and Junior Counsel. Experience includes terrorism, murder, drugs, serious sex and violence, and SFO and MTIC frauds. Many of these cases have been VHCC.

Renowned for fiercely protecting client's interests against demanding Judges and difficult prosecutors.

Ethos when instructed: To work until the case is fully mastered, regardless of how many conferences this may take. His

My light touch and honesty with the client, both lay and professional, have often led to being highly recommended and a first port of call in difficult cases.

Well-regarded for incisive (and, where needed, ferocious) cross-examination, and for passionate closing speeches delivered with a clarity that communicates the client's case in its best light.

I have made a conscious decision not to apply for King's Counsel.

Notable Cases

Set out below is a selection of cases in which I have been involved, but it should not be regarded as exhaustive.

Terrorism and Serious Violence

R v M (2024) Court of Appeal

Murder – Successfully overturned conviction.

R v KM (2022) St Alban Crown Court

Murder <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-essex-63333812>

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R v L (2019) Swansea Crown Court

Attempted Murder <https://www.walesonline.co.uk/news/wales-news/man-denies-attempting-murder-pensioner-15917238>

R v S (2018) Guildford Crown Court Mass brawl at Goodwood Races

<https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/goodwood-races-fight-12-arrested-13098808>

R v S (2017) Northampton Crown Court

FBI & NCA led investigation into the importation of fragmenting hand grenades using the dark web.

<https://www.northamptonchron.co.uk/news/fbi-helped-arrest-man-from-northamptonshire-who-imported-hand-grenades-1-8293651>

R v W (2017) Northampton Crown Court

'King punch' whereby the victim is still in a coma involving 'spiking' of the D's drinks.

R v G & others (2016) Central Criminal Court

Attempted murder by shooting in a gang related incident.

R v. L & others (2015) Winchester Crown Court Murder

of a nurse by her husband, ex-wife and son.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-dorset-31619344>

R v S & others (2014) Isleworth Crown Court

6-handed s.18 grievous bodily harm with intent.

R v E & A (2013) Snaresbrook Crown Court

Blackmail and extortion

R v H & Others (2011) CCC

Gangland murder of a boy at a school. <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2077381/Guns-Shanks-gang-stabbed-pupil-death-outside-schoolcaged-76-years.html>

R v O & others (2011) CCC

Gangland murder and double attempted murder.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-london-12121089>

R v B & others (2008) CCC

8-handed gang murder

R v W & others (2008) CA CIT

robberies and firearms

Fraud and Dishonesty

R v S (2021) Croydon Crown Court

Hacking into solicitor's offices

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R v A (2021) Newport Crown Court

Hacking into the University of South Wales.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-58502963>

R v M (2014) Croydon Crown Court

Bank fraud and money laundering

R v L (2012/13) Isleworth Crown Court

Carousel fraud involving reclaim of VAT for mobile phones.

R v K (2012)

You Tube/London riots.

<http://www.theguardian.com/uk/2012/nov/29/court-quashes-convictions-riots-robbery>

R v D & others (2012) ILCC

Conspiracy to burgle in London riots

R v C & others (2012) Wood Green CC

Benefits fraud. First trial where a judge as discharged a jury and returned a verdict. Leading Court of Appeal case.

<http://www.theguardian.com/law/2011/jul/14/judge-makes-legal-history-with-solo-verdict>

R v C & D (2011) CA

Longest running referral from CCRC. Police Corruption originating from original Stephen Lawrence trial

<http://www.theguardian.com/uk/2011/oct/19/met-police-detectives-cleared-retrial>

R v A (2010) Wood Green CC

International wine fraud

R v W & Others (2009) Kingston Crown Court

Conspiracy to rob cash in transit vans where two members of the gang were shot dead by CO19.

R v S & others (2008) Manchester Crown Court

Massive eBay fraud

Drugs & Firearms Offences

R v N (2023) Gloucester Crown Court

EncroChat large scale conspiracy

<https://www.gloucestershire.police.uk/news/gloucestershire/mastermind-behind-drugs-gang-jailed-for-24-years/>

R v I (2021) Birmingham CC

6 month trial of a large scale conspiracy to possess firearms with intent to endanger life.

<https://www.coventrytelegraph.net/news/coventry-news/twelve-people-trial-accused-drugs-17270140>

R v N (2017) Lewes CC

Serial schizophrenic armed robber held to be 'dangerous.

R v D (2016) Manchester Minshull Street Crown Court

International cocaine conspiracy fronted from a multimillion £ business.

R v M & others (2016) Chelmsford Crown Court

5-week drug conspiracy involving cooperation between London, Essex and Lithuanian gangs.

R v M & others (2016) Chelmsford CC

Conspiracy to supply cocaine linked with an overall importation of 900kg via Spain.

R v A & others (2014) Manchester CC 3

handed importation of 200kg of heroin.

R v E (2012) Chelmsford CC

Attempted Murder/Firearms

R v O & others (2011) Liverpool CC

Twenty-four handed conspiracy to import four tonnes of cocaine from South America.

<http://www.liverpoolecho.co.uk/news/liverpool-news/merseyside-gang-jailed-4-billion-3363639>

R v C & others (2011) Blackfriars CC

Conspiracy to supply 2T of cannabis from Africa.

R v K & others (2009/10) CA, Snaresbrook CC Conspiracy to supply firearms.

<http://www.courtnewsuk.co.uk/surreal/?id=16>

Sexual Offences

2024-2019 Dozens of rape and serious sexual assault cases including s.28 cross examination

R v P (2018) Portsmouth CC

Conspiracy to rape own children.

R v. C (2018) Snaresbrook CC

Junior counsel in large scale historical familial abuse case

R v D & others (2017) Leamington Spa Crown Court

Grooming and gang rape.

R v M (2016) Southwark Crown Court

Alleged abuse of 3 sisters by an ex-serviceman from a high-ranking military family.

R v C (2016) Lewes CC

Rape of a student by her teacher.

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R v M (2016) Guildford CC

Historical rape and indecent assaults by a brother on 3 of his sisters.

R v C & others (2016) Lewes CC

Grooming and sexual assaults of up to 40 underage girls in the south coast area.

R v W (2013) Luton CC

Familial grooming by aunt of her nieces.

R v F (2012) Harrow CC

Multiple rapes by preacher of several members of his church.

Miscellaneous

R v Bennett (2019)

Leading authority on IPP case involving commission at 17 and conviction at 18 [2019]

EWCA Crim 629

The 'Fake Sheikh' Appeals (2015-18)

Currently instructed on behalf of 6 appellants deriving from the News of the World stings by Mazher Mahmood.

R v L (2014)

Misconduct in public office

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2553242/Female-prison-guard-sent-explicit-video-texts-violent-armedrobber-fell-love-jailed-eight-months.html>

R v X (2014) Lewes CC

Defendant (who had previously been the Complainant in the allegation of rape by Neil and Christine Hamilton) charged with perverting the course of justice.

R v G (2008) Salisbury CC

Death by Dangerous Driving from a now T4 paraplegic who killed his girlfriend, his best friend and his wife.

To Note/Other

Particular expertise in disclosure, RIPAs, abuse of process, cell site analysis, low copy DNA, blood transfer and spatter patterns, and the byzantine Firearms regulations.

Fully trained in ABE questioning in sexual cases.

Also involved in regulatory work, both currently with the NMC and previously with Trading Standards. Particularly active during the Foot and Mouth outbreak in 2001.

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Instructed on inquests and tribunals on behalf of the Nurses and Midwifery Council and the Royal College of Nursing.

A pupil supervisor committed to training the next generation. All former pupils - without exception - are carving out outstanding careers at the Bar.

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