



YEAR OF BIRTH	1968
YEAR OF CALL	1994
INN	Lincoln's Inn
CIRCUIT	South Eastern

PROFILE

Historically, an experienced junior fraud prosecutor who has been regularly instructed by defence solicitors on the Fraud Panel.

His practice includes large scale investment frauds, excise duty & VAT frauds and money laundering. He has considerable experience in associated proceedings, including confiscation and condemnation hearings.

He is frequently instructed to defend and prosecute in murder allegations, whilst maintaining a practice across the whole criminal spectrum. He has particular experience in the field of police corruption.

He is on the Attorney General's list of approved counsel, and acts for Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs in the VAT and Duties Tribunal.

In the regulatory sphere he is instructed by the General Medical Council, and also prosecutes on behalf of the Bar Standards Board.

NOTABLE CASES

Case Name:	<i>R v Siddiqui & others</i>
Appearance:	Prosecution leading junior
Description:	Leading prosecution counsel in trial of four defendants (including a solicitor and a conveyancing clerk) charged with conspiracy to defraud and money laundering in respect of the sale of a property belonging to an innocent third party. The case involved a significant number of legal complications including the method of selection and instruction of expert witnesses, allegations of witness interference, and disclosure.

Case Name: *R v Kearney & others*
Appearance: Prosecution (led by Sir Allan Green QC)
Description: Police misconduct allegation: police officer passing confidential and sensitive information to journalists. Involved arguments in respect of Article 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights relying upon the particular rights that a journalist has in relation to the disclosure of a source. The case attracted significant press interest both because of the nature of the allegations and because the first defendant had also identified himself as having bugged Sadiq Khan MP when he visited a constituent who was an inmate at HMP Woodhill.

Case Name: *R v Ellis & others*
Appearance: Prosecution (led by Jonathan Turner QC - 6 King's Bench Walk)
Description: Murder. "Revenge" attack by a group of brothers and their friends following an earlier assault upon the youngest brother. The group forced entry into the victim's home and stabbed him to death. He had in fact played no part in the earlier assault. A substantial trial involving seven defendants.

Case Name: *Liu & others*
Appearance: Defence
Description: Represented defendant charged with cannabis cultivation and money laundering. He was alleged to be responsible for a number of high-yield cannabis "factories" in Surrey producing very high quality "skunk", using his nail bar business to launder the proceeds of sale.

Case Name: *Al Fadhly & others*
Appearance: Prosecution (led by Brian O'Neill)
Description: Large scale fraud upon the motor vehicle insurance industry involving ten defendants. A factually complicated case in which the defendants used multiple identities. Such was the size of the case that, for case management purposes, 30 fraudulent claims were selected from a much greater number for presentation to the court.

Case Name: *R v Olanrewaju & others*
Appearance: Prosecution
Category: Serious Fraud
Details: Large scale “identity factories”: 2 properties at which credit cards and every form of official identity documents (e.g. driving licences, birth certificates, utility bills) were forged in order that the banks and other financial institutions could be defrauded.

The investigation revealed production of counterfeit documentation on a massive scale, through which many millions of pounds would have been lost from the nation’s financial institutions. The principal defendants received substantial sentences of imprisonment.

Case Name: *R v Ustel*
Appearance: Defence
Category: Serious Fraud
Details: Large scale money laundering in respect of the proceeds of drug trafficking.

Case Name: *R v Nardi*
Appearance: Defence
Category: Fraud
Details: Allegation of theft of over £1 million from ABTA by its chief legal officer. Represented his wife charged with laundering the proceeds of his fraud.

Case Name: *R v Trident Market Advisors*
Appearance: Prosecution
Category: Serious Fraud
Details: “Boiler Room” share sale operation being operated from Barcelona upon UK residents. Organisers prosecuted for offences under the Financial Services Act 1986.

Case Name: *R v Ismailaj, Roci and Qata*
Appearance: Prosecution
Category: People trafficking for purposes of prostitution
Detail: Trafficking of Lithuanian women from their home country to work as prostitutes in the UK; organised by Albanian gang who controlled and exploited the women after their arrival.

Case Name: *R v Hare & others*
Appearance: Prosecution
Category: Serious Fraud
Detail: HM Customs prosecution of sixteen defendants charged with evasion of £35 million excise duty and VAT.

Case Name: *R v Cropper & others*
Appearance: Prosecution
Category: Money Laundering, Judicial Review
Detail: HM Customs prosecution of systematic money laundering through bureaux de change. A reported authority following interlocutory judicial review proceedings re. the interpretation of the transitional provisions of Criminal Procedure & Investigations Act 1996.

Case Name: *R v Dillon & others*
Appearance: Defence
Category: Drugs & Firearms
Detail: Operation Trident prosecution of large scale production of heroin, and associated firearms offences including a street shooting.

Case Name: *R v Amsbury & others*
Appearance: Prosecution
Category: Serious Fraud
Detail: HM Customs prosecution of nine defendants charged with evasion of £50 million excise duty and VAT.

Case Name: *R v Crabtree & another*
Appearance: Prosecution
Category: Miscellaneous Serious Crime
Detail: Allegation of a series of armed robberies of railway station booking offices. A reported authority following appellate proceedings re. the procedure for allowing the jury to view video evidence following their retirement.

Case Name: *R v Day & another*
Appearance: Defence
Category: Fraud
Detail: Allegation of investment fraud involving the establishment a company to conduct civil litigation against, *inter alia*, the Legal and General Insurance Company.

Case Name: *R v Jagdev*
Appearance: Prosecution
Category: Confiscation
Detail: Reported authority following appellate proceedings re. the interpretation of Section 3 of the Drug Trafficking Act 1994.

Case Name: *R v Kelly & others*
Appearance: Prosecution
Category: Serious Fraud
Detail: Allegation of investment fraud involving the floating of a company on the Alternative Investment Market.

Case Name: *R v Patel & others*
Appearance: Defence
Category: Fraud
Detail: Allegation of misappropriation of funds from a shipping company to enable the purchase of computer parts on a commercial scale.

Case Name: *R v Kirwan & Williams*
Appearance: Prosecution
Category: Other Serious Crime
Detail: Allegation of Misconduct in a Public Office and Computer Misuse offences against civilian employees of the Metropolitan Police Service.