



| | |
|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| YEAR OF BIRTH | 1964 |
| YEAR OF CALL | 1989 |
| INN | Middle Temple |
| CIRCUIT | South Eastern and European |
| RECORDER | 2006 |
| QUALIFICATIONS | International Baccalaureate BA (Hons) International Relations Dip. Law (The City University) |
| MEMBERSHIPS | Union des Avocats Européen United Kingdom Environmental Law Association Bar European Group |
| LANGUAGES | French, Greek |

PROFILE

An experienced regulatory and disciplinary practitioner whose practice encompasses both a civil and international dimension.

He has for many years acted before disciplinary committees of various regulatory bodies. This includes the General Medical Council where he appears at Adjudication stage and in the High Court, the General Dental Council, the Nursing & Midwifery Council, the General Social Care Council and others.

He regularly advises in foreign jurisdictions and recently completed the Diploma in European Competition Law at King's College, London.

He also regularly defends in cases of murder, fraud, hijacking and other serious offences. His fraud work involves offences of all descriptions including those created to fund terrorist activities in the United Kingdom and beyond.

He also often chairs meetings between multinational corporations and non-governmental organisations both in England and abroad.

NOTABLE CASES

| | |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Case Name: | <i>GSCC v Ward & Christou ('Baby P')</i> |
| Appearance: | <i>Prosecuting</i> |
| Description: | Advised and represented the General Social Care Council ('GSCC') in its case against the Haringey Social Worker and Team Leader responsible for Peter Connelly's ('Baby P') case. |

The case was the first where the GSCC sought to argue the joinder of registrants despite its rules not expressly permitting the same. The Registrants accepted all the allegations made against them, and after hearing submissions the Committee found them guilty of misconduct and suspended their registrations.

Case Name: *GMC v Jacobs*
Appearance: Prosecuting
Description: Multi-factorial case against a female general practitioner who had failed to onwardly refer patients and then sought to amend computer records to hide that failing.

Case Name: *GMC v Jeevaratnam*
Appearance: Prosecuting
Description: Case against junior doctor who had deliberately added to a patient's medical records to suggest she had carried a certain medical examination which she had not, unaware that the 'unaltered' medical notes had already been faxed to the Coroner.

Case Name: *GMC v Dzikowski*
Appearance: Prosecuting
Description: Erasure of a well established consultant psychiatrist found to be in breach of national guidelines on the prescribing of drugs to addicted patients.

Case Name: *GMC v Mercer & Mercer*
Appearance: Prosecuting
Description: Case against husband and wife. General practitioner found to have deliberately altered QOF information on the practise computer and individual patient records. His wife had assisted him.

Case Name: *GMC v Tocca*
Appearance: Prosecuting
Description: Psychiatrist who discharged a long standing psychiatric patient who went on to inflict a serious physical assault his own elderly mother within hours.

Case Name: *R v Rayon Oates*
Appearance: Defence (Leading)
Category: Riot
Detail: Defendant was accused of being one of the leaders of the riot that took place at HM Immigration Detention Centre at Harmondsworth in July 2004. The case involved arguments including the proper form of consent from the Director of Public Prosecutions and involved some 3,500 hours of CCTV allegedly showing the millions of pounds worth of damage caused. After an 8 week trial the Defendant was acquitted of riot.

Case Name: *R v Verkaeren & Others*
Appearance: Defence
Category: Serious Fraud
Detail: Multi-million pound pan-European re-insurance fraud involving arguments of enforceability, implied actual authority, ostensible authority and ratification. The Serious Fraud Office offered no evidence after three months of legal argument.

Case Name: *R v Kaci & Others*
Appearance: Defence
Category: Serious Fraud
Detail: Multi-million pound credit card fraud allegedly funding the activities of the Al-Qaeda terrorist organisation.

Case Name: *R v Hassan & Others*
Appearance: Defence
Category: Airplane hijacking
Detail: Defended in the then only second hijacking trial to take place in England. Case involved issues of duress of necessity, proportionality and the applicability of the Nuremburg Convention and other international treaties governing crimes against humanity.

Case Name: *R v Denton*
Appearance: Defence
Category: Murder
Detail: Police informant on 'Yardie' activities in the UK convicted of murder. On appeal, defence involved allegations of collusion and corruption against the Metropolitan Police, Immigration Service and the Home Office. The first criminal trial in which cell site analysis was used and where PII arguments re: informants were tested by the Court of Appeal.