

Daniel Mullin

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Daniel Mullin undertakes work in criminal, regulatory, and civil law. He has a focus on work with an international element, having extensive experience in matters requiring mutual legal assistance, particularly the investigation and prosecution of financial crime.

He is well placed to act for either the prosecution or defendant in matters at the intersection of commercial, regulatory, and criminal law. He has been instructed to provide early legal and strategic advice in a range of criminal and civil proceedings.

Daniel is building a regulatory practice having acted in numerous interim and substantive hearings, including allegations of serious misconduct and dishonesty. He has assisted on inquests and inquiries, including an inquiry into the death of an individual in custody.

Before coming to the Bar, Daniel worked in the corporate and commercial sector. He worked in the City of London, and in the Channel Islands, providing research and advice on regulatory and corporate law to multinational businesses.

Expertise

Business Crime & Financial Services

Daniel is currently instructed alone in a large sanctions and money laundering investigation, where the relevant assets and individuals are spread across numerous jurisdictions. Daniel has provided advice and assistance to the Law Officers' Department of Jersey in numerous investigations into international financial crime, particularly on matters involving mutual legal assistance.

Daniel has prosecuted fraud, and offences under the Companies Act, arising from abuse of the Covid "Bounce Back Loan" scheme on behalf of the Insolvency Service. He has been instructed by HMRC to assist in the prosecution of a multi-million-pound VAT diversion fraud. He has provided advice to prosecuting agencies in relation to social security frauds. He is also a member of the CPS Fraud Panel.

Daniel has completed the investigation course provided by the College of Policing to assist his work on large investigations into financial crime.

Notable cases:

Daniel is currently instructed as sole counsel in an investigation into alleged sanctions breaches arising from the ownership and maintenance of high-value assets.

A foreign jurisdiction v A Company

Provided advice on a potential sanctions case against a company that is said to have violated energy sanctions.

R (by the Insolvency Service) v S

Provided advice on the fraudulent abuse of the “Bounce Back Loan” scheme, secured a guilty plea on the first day of trial in the Crown Court.

Advice on enforcing foreign confiscation orders against a deceased person

Provided advice on enforcing international confiscation proceedings relating to the proceeds of corruption where the suspect is deceased, and the relevant order was obtained after his death.

R (by a London borough) v A and others

Provided advice on alleged offending under the London Local Authority Act. Instructed to update the relevant published guidance to reflect his advice.

Civil Litigation

Daniel has been instructed alone, and as part of teams, on civil matters including breach of contract, breach of statutory duty, and gang injunctions. He has conducted trial advocacy in the County Court. He has assisted in judicial review proceedings arising from alleged failings on the part of prosecuting agencies. He is on the Attorney Generals ‘junior junior’ panel.

Notable cases:

A freight forwarder v A global logistics company

Successfully defended a freight forwarder in an action brought by a multinational logistics company. The claim was unsuccessful and the counterclaim successful.

A and others v A Government Department

Instructed to assist the GLD in an action against a government department where the damages claimed exceed £700 million.

A v A Statutory Provider

Provided advice on an action against a water provider in relation to damage caused by an emission from their water system.

B v X

Provided assistance in contempt proceedings in the High Court.

Criminal Defence

Daniel has regularly represented and secured acquittals for defendants in the Crown and Magistrates' Courts, having acted for high-profile clients and in matters that have attracted media interest. Daniel is also on the CPS general crime, and fraud panels.

Daniel has represented a number of defendants with vulnerabilities, and those who require the assistance of intermediaries and interpreters.

Daniel has provided advice and advocacy in prosecutions brought by local authorities and as a result of this work has been instructed to update the legal guidance published by a London local authority. In addition to his unled local government work, he has acted as disclosure counsel on large prosecutions undertaken by such authorities. Daniel is well placed to work with either the authority or an entity subject to enforcement action given his diverse experience in this area.

Notable Cases:

R v H

Made a successful half-time submission on the basis that a three-ton digger cannot be considered a vehicle within the meaning of the Road Traffic Act.

R v S

Secured an acquittal in the Crown Court, despite the alleged assault being captured on CCTV.

R v B

Secured an acquittal in a trial relating to harassment and stalking. The client was extremely vulnerable and required the assistance of an intermediary.

R v J

Secured bail for a vulnerable individual who had trespassed on secure land contrary to the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005. Provided ex tempore advice on a writ of habeas corpus on the basis relevant parties had contrived to continue to detain the individual.

R v M

Successfully represented a notable musician accused of a violent crime in an application to vary their bail so that they could perform at the o2.