

Emily Dummett

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Emily Dummett has significant experience and expertise in providing advice and advocacy in serious and sensitive criminal cases. She has a reputation for meticulous skill in distilling and presenting complex evidence and law in her paperwork, and, through her advocacy, rapidly gaining the trust of the jury or other tribunal.

In addition to her appellate work in the Court of Appeal and Supreme Court, Emily is experienced in the preparation and presentation of applications for injunctive relief in the High Court. Emily also undertakes work in the professional disciplinary tribunals and has experience of coroner's inquests.

Emily has been instructed prior to charge as disclosure counsel, then as junior in investigations/enquiries where a substantial volume of material has been involved and advised upon strategy thereafter.

Expertise

Criminal Defence

Emily has a busy defence practice. Recent instructions include cases of multi-handed robbery, blackmail, and wounding with intent. Emily has also successfully appeared for the defence in the Court of Appeal.

Inquests

Emily also has experience of the Coroner's Court, and was recently instructed to represent a large pharmaceutical company in an inquest into the death of an employee arising from an accident with a lorry in one of the company's loading yards.

Professional Discipline

Emily regularly appears before professional disciplinary tribunals. She was repeatedly instructed to present cases before the General Social Care Council in substantive hearings before the Conduct Committee, and interim suspension order applications before the Preliminary Proceedings Committee. She is also experienced in proceedings brought by the Nursing & Midwifery Council, the Solicitors' Regulation Authority and other professional regulators.

Public Prosecution

Emily is a highly experienced Grade 4 CPS Prosecutor, also appointed on the CPS HQ's Specialist Serious Crime Panel. She is regularly instructed by CPS London's Complex Casework Unit (Homicide Team and Special Casework Unit) and is also instructed by CPS Headquarter's Organised Crime Division and recently, by CPS East of England's Complex Casework Unit.

Emily is instructed, alone and led, in cases involving complex, serious, organised and sensitive crime. Those cases, often multi-handed, include murder and other homicide, terrorism, serious violence, armed robbery and firearms, corruption, fraud and conspiracy to import and/or supply Class A, often arising out of proactive police investigations.

Emily is adept at handling the tactical and presentational challenges of multi-handed cases, and experienced in the deployment of bad character evidence, often gang-related. She is highly skilled in presenting complex evidence including telephone and cell site, forensic scientific (including weak DNA) and other expert evidence

Emily has significant experience in pre-charge strategy and advice and in the practical application of the principles of disclosure, PII and RIPA 2000, and material of high sensitivity, having managed these aspects of complex cases over a number of years, including, for example, as led junior in the 2014-2015 prosecution for the murder of PC Blakelock. She has advised the police and private security companies on the compatibility of their policies and covert activities, including the use of undercover agents. She is Security cleared, presently at SC.

Emily's recent appellate work has included conviction and sentence, the imposition of SCPOs and, in the House of Lords, the interpretation of terrorist offences (R v G [2010] 1 A.C. 43). She is a member of the Criminal Appeal Lawyers Association.

Recent cases

Operation Rocketman (2015-2017)

R v Benvenga and Hansard; R v Van Enter and Ponnusamy; R v Ponnusamy, Nair, Wimaladasa; R v Miah and Ullah and two others; R v Tharmalingham and four others

Instructed as Junior Alone by CPS London's Special Casework Unit to prosecute cases arising out Operation Rocketman (2015-2016), an investigation led by SCO7 into the Class A drug supply/production, money laundering and blackmail committed by an international organised crime network.

R v Blake, Birmingham and Others (2016)

Instructed by CPS East of England's Complex Casework Unit as Led Junior (Andrew Radcliffe QC leading) to prosecute two drug dealers accused of murdering the victim who had tried to rob them. The main defendants were convicted of murder and manslaughter respectively.

R v Woodley, Murphy, Young, Francis, Lenton and another (2016)

Instructed as Junior Alone by CPS London's Special Casework Unit to prosecute six defendants (three at trial) for their involvement in the commercial supply of cocaine.

R v Tamale, Tamale, Hansen and two others (2015)

Instructed by CPS London's Homicide Team as Led Junior (Brian O'Neill QC Leading) to prosecute three defendants, including two twin brothers, who were convicted of the murder (2) and manslaughter (1) of a young man who tried to prevent them from robbing a group of other youths at an 18th birthday party.

Emily also prosecutes a related case as Junior Alone involving four defendants for Conspiracy to Pervert the Course of Justice, arising out of their conduct to interfere with witnesses in the murder trial.

R v Grisales, Hernandez and another (2015)

Instructed by CPS London's Special Casework Unit to prosecute as Led Junior the UK representatives of the Colombian cartel for the conspiracy to import cocaine (100 kilograms of cocaine seized concealed inside plastic bananas).