

## Scott Ivill

"Scott is a first class advocate whose oral advocacy is excellent. He is extremely articulate and persuasive and has a great presence in court. There is no junior more hard working. He is a joy to work with."  
Legal 500 UK 2022



Year of Call: 1997

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Described as a 'Premier League' advocate, Scott Ivill has 23 years' experience and has consistently been described by the leading industry guide as being a "leader of the Bar". Highly regarded by both professional and lay clients, Scott is in great demand in each of his practice areas. He is renowned for his accomplished advocacy, his ability to manage complex issues and his excellent judgment. He has a tremendous commitment and dedication to his clients' cases, and comes with a reputation for robust advocacy, fearless cross-examination and an unwavering determination to succeed.

Extremely hard-working, Scott adopts a meticulous approach to the detail of every case, and he has a charming and approachable manner that immediately puts his clients at ease. His belief in a team approach means that Scott works closely with all involved to achieve the best possible outcome and is regularly the subject of positive client feedback. Recent client feedback has included: "I doubt we could have been more ably represented...you were excellent counsel" and "You could not have done a better job, I am truly grateful" and "You are a very, very good barrister".

Scott is highly recommended in Legal 500 & Chambers UK for Crime and Professional Discipline, cementing his reputation as a leader in both fields.

Scott accepts **Direct Access** instructions.

## What others say:

"A fine jury advocate who will leave no stone unturned." – Legal 500 UK 2021

"He is a street fighter" who has "good judgement." "A charismatic advocate." – Chamber UK 2021

"He has great attention to detail and is well prepared. Good with the lay client and persuasive on his feet." – Legal 500 2021

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“Very measured, good on client care and tactically aware.” “He is very confident, sensible and robust when needed.” – Chambers UK 2020

“A fine jury advocate who will leave no stone unturned.” – Legal 500 2020

“Efficient, thorough and prompt.” – Legal 500 2020

“Tireless in pursuit of the best possible results for his clients.” – Legal 500 2017

“He uses his advocacy to devastating effect.” – Legal 500 2017

“A Premier League advocate” – Chambers UK 2017

“He continues to demonstrate an extremely high level of academic prowess.” – Legal 500

## Business Crime & Financial Services

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Scott is regularly instructed for the defence on serious and complex financial crime. He is a skilled defence advocate and is regularly instructed by leading defence solicitors. He is currently instructed in a substantial MTIC fraud to be heard at Southwark Crown Court.

He is ranked in both Chambers and Partners UK and The Legal 500 as a leading barrister.

## Cases

### **R v D & Others**

Defending in a wide-ranging conspiracy to defraud centred on the entertainment industry. The allegation was that six named Defendants had conspired together, and with others unknown, to sell fake tickets and wristbands for entry into music festivals in England. The conspiracy was alleged to have been operative for a period of six years, with a value of almost £2million. At the close of the Prosecution case, on a submission of no case to answer it was submitted that the indictment alleged an agreement to commit more than one offence. The Judge agreed with the Defence submissions that (i) although a single agreement was charged, it had multiple objectives, (ii) the evidence did not support the Crown’s contention that the Defendant was a party to a multiple objective conspiracy, and (iii) there was no evidence the Defendant had attached herself to the wider conspiracy charged in the indictment. The Prosecution appealed the terminating ruling to the Court of Appeal. The Defence successfully resisted the appeal; the Judge’s ruling was upheld and the client acquitted.

### **R v A & Others**

A large-scale conspiracy to commit misconduct in public office, and conspiracy to obtain UK passports by deception. This was a sensitive case involving a DWP employee with managerial responsibility working at the heart of a key Government agency. Identity documents were processed and passed to a large number of foreign nationals who were not entitled to hold them; the Defendant was central to the operation.

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# Criminal Defence

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Frequently instructed as leading counsel, Scott has almost two decades' worth of experience of defending in grave and complex criminal matters, including murder, attempted murder, serious violence, armed robbery, firearms, and major drug trafficking. He appears predominantly in multi-handed cases and, in addition to matters involving organised crime, is also vastly experienced in cases of large-scale and complex fraud. He has an enviable track record in the defence of those charged with serious and complex crime, as recognised by Chambers and Partners UK and The Legal 500 who rank him as a leading barrister in all areas of crime.

## Cases

### **R v X & Another**

A staged robbery of in excess of £1.5 million worth of Cartier jewellery where the “inside man” made a voluntary confession and gave evidence against the defendants pursuant to a SOCPA contract. Scott’s client was the only defendant to be found not guilty.

### **R v W & Others**

Multi-handed drugs conspiracy that was, at the time, the largest seizure of cannabis in Metropolitan Police history. Not guilty verdict.

### **R v V & Others**

Defending a juvenile on possession of a sub-machine gun and ammunition with intent to endanger life. Not guilty verdict.

## Inquests & Public Inquiries

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Scott is an experienced inquest advocate, and acts for healthcare professionals (allied to his professional disciplinary work) and families as interested parties. Inquests form a central part of his practice and he has a detailed knowledge of the Coroner’s Rules. He will always seek to ensure that his clients’ risk of future prosecution or professional disciplinary proceedings is avoided or minimised.

## Cases

### **Dr M**

Instructed in a seven-day inquest following a death on discharge from hospital. Scott represented a doctor who was, at the time of the death, a trainee vascular surgeon and who is now a trainee neurosurgeon. The Coroner thanked Scott for his assistance in what the Coroner described had been “a very difficult inquest.” Narrative conclusion with a neglect rider. PFD referral on multiple issues. Although a number of health care professionals were the subject of trenchant criticism, no such criticism was levied at Scott’s client. This case was reported in the national press. Scott was instructed by Nabarro solicitors.

### **Dr K**

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Instructed in an Article 2 inquest, acting on behalf of a Doctor. Following the five-day hearing the jury returned a short from conclusion of suicide. Scott was instructed by BLM solicitors.

## **CM**

Instructed on behalf of a Nurse who had been tasked with the care of the deceased following elective laparoscopic surgery for a hernia at a private hospital. A cause of death was post-operative haemorrhage. Narrative conclusion. No finding of neglect.

## **RH**

Accepted instruction on a pro-bono basis in a high-profile inquest on behalf of the family of one of three soldiers killed whilst travelling in a Mastiff armoured patrol vehicle in Helmand Province, Afghanistan. An improvised explosive device had been placed in a tunnel below the road and triggered using a command wire from a nearby compound. The fatalities were a direct consequence of the blast overmatch. Issues included whether the British Government had provided a vehicle that was fit for purpose and shortcomings in the relaying of intelligence. Regulation 28 Prevention of Future Deaths report sent by the Coroner. The case was widely reported in the media.

# Professional Discipline

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Scott advises and represents professionals throughout the entire professional discipline process. He regularly appears in fitness to practice cases where he defends Doctors and Nurses. He also acts for Regulators such as the General Osteopathic Council and The National College for Teaching and Leadership. As an extremely experienced leading junior, Scott is able to deploy the highest skills of advocacy – honed in the most serious cases in criminal practice – to optimum effect in mounting submissions and in the cross-examination of witnesses. His ability is such that he is regularly the subject of positive comment from instructing solicitors. His experience in this field, and inquests more generally, allows for continuity of representation in cases involving the potential culpability of healthcare professionals. Recent client feedback has included: “Thank you so much, you have saved my career” and “If there was a model of how to submit on the facts and UPC then you have just shown it.”

## Cases

### **Doctor PL**

Multiple allegations resulting in the GMC seeking an 18-month ISO. Following argument advanced by Scott, the panel determined that No Order should be made. Scott was instructed by Radcliffe Le Brasseur solicitors.

### **Doctor HA**

Multiple allegations resulting in the GMC seeking an 18-month ISO. Following argument advanced by Scott, the panel determined that No Order should be made. Scott was instructed by Nabarro solicitors.

### **Nurse RN**

Represented a senior nurse, of good character, accused of 11 separate matters of misconduct. Scott successfully persuaded the Conduct & Competence Committee of the Nursing & Midwifery Council Panel that there was no case to answer on five of the 11 charges, that a further five charges had not been proved and that the final, admitted, charge did not constitute misconduct.

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## PO

Instructed on behalf of the General Osteopathic Council presenting one of their longest ever cases. Multiple allegations of dishonesty. Facts and unacceptable.

Professional conduct proved. The Sanction was Removal. In addition to presenting the case, Scott provided advice as to the drafting of the allegations and their juxtaposition with the Act and the Code. He also drafted the skeleton argument that formed the basis of the case.

## Accreditations

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## Appointments & Memberships

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- Criminal Bar Association
- Association of Regulatory & Disciplinary Lawyers
- Health & Safety Lawyers Association

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