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Practice

Adrian Farrow has been in practice for over 20 years: called to the Bar in 1997 after a successful 12-year career as a solicitor, first in private practice and then as a Principal Crown Prosecutor with the CPS in Manchester.

Adrian is happy to defend or prosecute the whole range of criminal work, be it drugs, fraud, violence or sexual assault. From the beginning, he was briefed both by the prosecution and the defence in serious and high profile cases and maintains his position as a senior criminal practitioner. A category 4 prosecutor for a number of years, Adrian has prosecuted and defended a number of murders and in 2006 alone, prosecuted to conviction attempted murder and gangland shootings.

Adrian has regularly appeared in multi-handed armed robbery, drugs and other conspiracy cases for the defence and prosecution alike over the last 10 years and has always accepted briefs in serious sexual cases.

Copyright theft cases have been a regular feature of Adrian's diary and as a result, his expertise has been sought by defendants in IT fraud cases and also by a number of local authorities, who have used Adrian to advise, prepare and prosecute such cases, which are typically investigated by Trading Standards Officers.

With a reputation for hard-work, thorough preparation and respected for his effective advocacy, Adrian is always in demand as one of the most approachable criminal practitioners in chambers.

Some recent cases:

R v Ali (2006) defendant acquitted of serious sexual assault on 4 year-old child in Manchester;

R v Hadfield and others (2007) prosecuted to conviction multi-handed armed robbery in Manchester ;

R v Jeffries (2007) prosecution in Manchester of conspiracy to rob, possession of a firearm and attempted section 18 assault on a police officer - full package of guilty pleas secured;

R v McGivern (2007) multi-victim historic rape and family sexual abuse prosecuted to conviction in Manchester;

R v Morgan (2006) defended in multi-handed conspiracy to defraud counterfeiting case (VHCC) in Birmingham;

R v N (2006) defended fraudulent trading case (VHCC) prosecuted by Serious Fraud Office in Manchester;

R v Short (2006) defended shooting in Manchester;

R v Walker (2007) defendant acquitted of money laundering in Burnley;

R v Williams (2006) prosecuted to conviction attempted murder in Manchester;

R v Zhu (2007) defended international people trafficker in Portsmouth - sentence halved on appeal.

Reported Cases:

R v Manchester Crown Court ex parte Rogers (Wayne Joseph) [1999] 2 Cr.App.R. 267 (legal professional privilege);

Attorney General's Reference No 26 of 2000 (Geoffrey Pearson) [2001] 1 Cr.App.R.(S.) 54 (section 18 wounding);

R v Evans (Lee Robert) [2006] 2 Cr.App.R. (S.) 9 (dangerous driving).

References:

Adrian Farrow "*has the three things you look for in a Barrister: he works hard, has a good brain and shows impressive judgement*", Chambers UK 2009.