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### Education:

University of Edinburgh LL.M (International Criminal Law)  
University of Durham BA (Hons) Law

### Category 4 Prosecutor

Michael practised predominantly in the South East for 11 years. He has defended in serious cases of terrorism, murder and fraud offences.

### His notable cases include:

- R -v- Hughes – Mold CC [2010] – Multi million pound mortgage fraud spanning a decade
- R -v- EO – Manchester Crown Court [2010] Murder
- R -v- Karam – Bolton CC [2010] – Rape/Sexual Assault against three women
- R -v- Ihsan Meer – Bradford CC [2009] Large scale sophisticated mortgage fraud involved 13 defendants.
- R -v- A.S. [2008] 3 Archbold News 1: This is now a leading Court of Appeal authority on procedure to be adopted in criminal contempt proceedings.
- R -v- Nurlan Abdroikof - House of Lords [2007] UKHL 37 - This appeal concerns the human rights implications of police officers and CPS lawyers sitting on juries.
- R-v-Gillian Wilson – Sheffield CC [2007] - 13 defendants – High profile, multi million pound brothel case – successfully stayed the prosecution as an abuse.
- R -v- Matthew Sharman & Others – Canterbury Crown Court [2006] - £10 million missing trader VAT fraud – 6 month trial – Appeal against Conviction The Times [2008] Oct 3
- R –v- Yonis Dirie – Central Criminal Court [2006] – Attempted Murder/Rape from 1989 investigated by the “Cold Case Unit”
- R –v- Ian McGowan – Hull Crown Court [2006] – Murder in prison
- R -v- AB & Others – Central Criminal Court [2005] – Murder
- R -v- Adelina Muanza & Others – Central Criminal Court [2005] – Highly

publicised conspiracy to murder – The 8 year old victim was tortured by the Angolan Defendants as she was believed to be a witch

- R -v- Babu & Others – Middlesex Crown Court [2005] – Kidnap of 10 year old boy in the Sikh community of Southall
- R –v- Nasreddine Fekhardji & Others – Central Criminal Court 2003/2004 - Defendants in possession of ricin poison and charged inter alia under the Terrorism Act 2000 and the Chemicals Weapons Act
- R –v- Taimur Shah & Others - Central Criminal Court [2002] - Stansted Hijacking by Afghan asylum seekers. Conviction overturned on appeal
- R –v- Liam Jones – Winchester Crown Court [2002] – Murder
- R –v- Jason McIlpatrick & Others - Southwark Crown Court [2000] – £25 million diversion fraud. Subsequent review by the Court of Appeal in relation to the non disclosure by Customs of participating informants. (Lawtel 11.3.2005)

International Work Jamaica - Awarded the Michael Self QC Scholarship in 2000. From February through to May, Michael worked at the Kingston Law Centre, Jamaica on capital murder trials at first instance through to appellate level at the Privy Council.