

## Mark Rhind

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### Appointments

• Recorder (2009)

### Memberships

• Criminal Bar Association  
• Association of Regulatory  
and Disciplinary Lawyers

### Beyond the Bar

Mark is computer literate; married with 3 children and in his spare time enjoys football (watching and playing badly) and running.

### Criminal CV

#### Overview

Mark was called to the Bar in 1989 starting off his professional career working for a commercial firm of Solicitors in London. He now specialises in criminal work acting for both the prosecution and defence.

His main areas of practice include:

- Fraud (including carousel and e-bay)
- Money laundering
- Confiscation and asset recovery
- Homicide
- Large gangland conspiracies
- Armed robbery
- Drugs conspiracies

Over recent years he has been involved in many serious and high profile cases as leading or led junior or as junior alone and is regularly involved in cases prosecuted by the SFO and RCPO.

He is certified as a “leading advocate” for the VHCC panel.

Mark is also a Category 4 Prosecutor and is certified to prosecute offences of rape and other serious sexual offences.

## Recommendations

“I have briefed Mark Rhind on numerous occasions and in particular on a number of complex regulatory matters. These have included defending complex and lengthy prosecutions brought by the Environment Agency amongst others. I also brief Mark in respect of professional discipline matters, particularly medical professionals such as hearings before the NMC. His advocacy style is outstanding and invariably persuasive. Feedback from clients is always exceptional and as such I have no hesitation in recommending him to our clients.”

**Rachel Adamson, partner Fraud and Regulatory Department Stephenson’s Solicitors**

“Mark is an excellent barrister who can be relied upon to provide a top class service to clients. He attends hearings thoroughly prepared and gets outstanding results. I am happy to recommend him for regulatory and professional disciplinary work.”

**Marie Dancer, partner specialising in healthcare regulatory work, Richard Nelson Solicitors**

## Cases

***R v Dobson & others*** - leading Junior in the multi-million Trading Standards prosecution in the Vance Miller kitchen fraud conspiracy

***R v Michael & others*** - leading Junior in the Trading Standards prosecution of defendants in a home insulation fraud

***R v Bennetta & others (Operation Gurvey)*** - leading Junior on an identity, long firm and mandate fraud

***R v Randles & others (Operation Galleon)*** - high cost case, multi-million-pound publishing fraud selling advertising space in multiple magazines and publications aimed at the emergency services

***R v O'Neill & others (Operation Savate)*** - high cost case, multi-million pound construction industry tax fraud based around the special tax rules used for construction industry sub-contractors

***R v Campbell & others (Operation Valgus)*** - leading Junior - £25m mortgage fraud  
***R v Ferguson*** - instructed in an £11m MTIC fraud transferring digital data leads by jurisdiction

***R v People & others (Operation Compost)*** – leading Junior in a cross-jurisdictional red diesel fraud

***R v Mirza & others (Operation Slyness)*** – complex carousel fraud involving former employee of HMRC

***R v Flannagan*** – fraud prosecuted by the Environment Agency involving acceptance and disposal of waste without permits

***R v Tinsley & others (Operation Nanobot)*** – theft of £1.25m from the Department of Environment and Rural Affairs which was laundered in gold bullion transactions to facilitate a carousel fraud

***R v Baldeep Takhar (Operation Instalbox)*** – multi-million pound high cost case, VAT and duty evasion fraud centred around the drinks industry

***R v Southern (“Operation Cambist”)*** - leading junior for the principle defendant in a £25 million duty evasion

***R v Green (“Atoriana II”)*** - SFO company asset stripping fraud

***R v Taylor (“Operation Greengage”)*** - 28-handed multi agency cross-border case involving firearms and drugs importation from Eastern Europe through Amsterdam

into the UK

***R v Ogden & Birchall*** - the first prosecution in the North West relating solely to money laundering allegations under the Proceeds of Crime Act

***R v McColl*** - gangland double murder contract killing

***R v Dott*** - murder involving entomological evidence which was used to accurately date the time of death by reference to the developmental state of various insect pupae

***R v Shaw & others*** - multi-million pound cocaine importation conspiracy Mark was involved in the Strangeways Riot case and the Oldham and Burnley race riots.