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Avirup Chaudhuri is recognised as a leading junior in general crime at the London Bar, as ranked by The Legal 500 directory. Avirup is a senior practitioner specialising in general crime, with extensive experience in both defence and prosecution. He has represented clients in some of the most serious cases, including conspiracy to murder, rape, drug importation and distribution, and modern slavery.

With a diverse range of experience, Avirup has defended both independently and as a leading or led junior, managing high-stakes cases across various levels of complexity. His expertise extends to all types of fraud, including large-scale money laundering and fraudulent activities targeting insurance companies and public bodies such as the National Health Service.

Specialist Areas

Criminal Defence

Fraud & Financial Crime

Asset Forfeiture and Confiscation

Regulatory Law

Courts Martial & Military Law

Criminal Prosecution

Private Prosecution

Professional Discipline

Public Law

Sports Law

Ranked In



Cases

Notable cases

R v G and others (Isleworth) – leading junior for defence in conspiracy to handle stolen



plant machinery and associated money laundering

R v K (Luton) – leading junior for defence in historic sexual abuse case

R v Duffy (Snaresbrook, Court of Appeal) – led junior for defence in massive counterfeit currency conspiracy. This is a leading authority on Serious Crime Prevention Orders.

R v S (Wood Green) – led junior for defence in attempted murder of drug dealer

R v Rooney and others (Nottingham) – widely publicised modern slavery case. Represented one of the two defendants (of seven) who were acquitted.

R v S (Southampton) – defending in case involving multiple allegations of rape and other serious sexual offences against multiple complainants

R v W and others (Kingston) – represented lead defendant in a series of cash in transit robberies

R v A and others (Central Criminal) – represented “inside man” in armed robbery – acquitted

R v S and others (Maidstone) – defending in conspiracy to import large quantity of cocaine from South America. Co-defendant gave evidence for the Crown. Acquitted

R v M (Central Criminal) – represented sole defendant to be acquitted in an affray which led to a murder.

R v R and others (Teesside) – defending legal executive in large-scale mortgage fraud

R v G (Reading) – successfully represented serving soldier charged with rape.

Criminal Defence

R v S (Wood Green) – led junior in attempted murder of drug dealer in course of robbing his “stash”

R v Hancox & Duffy (Snaresbrook, Court of Appeal) – led junior in massive counterfeit currency case. This case is a leading authority on Serious Crime Prevention Orders

R v N and others (Ipswich) – cigarette smuggling

R v W and others (Kingston) – representing lead defendant in cash in transit robbery

R v S and others (Maidstone) – conspiracy to smuggle large quantities of cocaine from South America. Co-defendant gave evidence for the Crown pursuant to an agreement under the Serious Crime Act. Acquitted.

R v A and others (CCC) – represented alleged “inside man” in armed robbery. Acquitted.

R v G (Reading) – represented serving soldier accused of rape. Acquitted.



R v K (Luton) – leading junior in case of historical sexual abuse

R v Rooney and others (Nottingham) – widely publicised modern slavery case in which the defendants were members of a large travelling family. Acquitted.

R v L (St Albans) – unusual and widely publicised case in which the defendant had self published a book about a family dispute and had it distributed. Charged under Malicious Communications Act. Acquitted after half time submission

R v G and another (Luton) – possession of firearm, ammunition and Class A drugs with intent to supply

R v G and others (Isleworth) – leading junior in case concerning allegations of conspiring to convert stolen plant machinery and laundering the (extensive) profits. Acquitted

Criminal Prosecution

Wide experience including prosecuting multi-handed cases.

Fraud & Financial Crime

R v C and others (Southwark) – Representing NHS manager in “ghost employee” fraud

R v R and others (Teesside) – Representing accredited legal executive in mortgage fraud

Professional Discipline

Mr Chaudhuri has represented serving police officers on criminal matters.

Sports Law

Mr Chaudhuri represented professional sportsmen (football, darts) on criminal matters

Trading Standards

R v L and others (Norwich) – offences under Video Recordings Act (selling/ renting uncertificated films)

R v S and others (Teesside) – offences relating to overcharging mainly elderly customers for building work on private property

Professional Memberships

- Criminal Bar Association
- South Eastern Circuit

Awards, Qualifications & Other



- Grade 2 CPS Counsel
- LL.B (Hons) London

Language

- Bengali