



Emily Griffiths

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Emily regularly accepts instructions to prosecute and defend in the Crown Court in core criminal matters as well as fraud and financial crime. She is a trained Youth Court advocate and has represented clients who are vulnerable by virtue of their age or other circumstances. Emily also has a developing quasi-criminal practice, having appeared on behalf of both applicants and defendants in a number of non-CPS prosecutions.

Prior to commencing pupillage and accepting tenancy, she managed a heavy caseload of Crown Court matters as a paralegal at a boutique criminal defence solicitor's firm. She has experience working on attempted murder, rape, POCA and extradition cases among other serious crime matters. In this role, many of Emily's clients were vulnerable by virtue of their age or complex mental health conditions.

Prior to this, and while completing her Bar Practice Course at the Inns of Court College of Advocacy, Emily worked for another boutique criminal defence solicitor's firm ranked in the Legal500.

Specialist Areas

Criminal Defence

Fraud & Financial Crime

Public Law

Criminal Prosecution

Inquests & Inquiries

Cases

Notable cases

R v ML & others – Currently instructed in violent disorder trial before Lewes Crown Court. All 11 defendants are members of a well-known motorcycle gang.

R v JM – Represented defendant charged with both types of Controlling or Coercive Behaviour, Criminal Damage, Intentional Strangulation, Assault and Stalking. Successful application to discharge the jury after serious disclosure failings became apparent during Emily's cross-examination of the complainant.

R v CH – Appeared for an 'influencer' accused of an offence under the malicious communications act. The complainant was also an 'influencer'. Successful application of no case to answer at the close of the Prosecution's case.



Professional Memberships

- Criminal Bar Association
- Women in Criminal Law
- Young Fraud Lawyers Association
- The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn
- Grade 1 CPS Counsel

Awards, Qualifications & Other

- PGDip Bar Practice, Inns of Court College of Advocacy, 2023
- Droop Scholarship, The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn, 2022
- LLB Bachelor of Laws (Hons), London School of Economics, 2022
- Dean's List for International Protection of Human Rights, London School of Economics, 2021/22