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David Baird

David Baird prosecutes and defends serious criminal offences. He specialises in complex cases involving multiple defendants. Cases he has prosecuted include Conspiracy to Murder and Attempted Murder. David Baird has defended clients, often youths, accused of Rape, Armed Robbery and Aggravated Burglary as well as England's most prolific burglar in 2015. He has a particular interest in serious road traffic offences stemming from a passion for motorcycles. David Baird has developed an in-depth knowledge of drugs offences and has both prosecuted and defended 'Chemsex' cases.

Asset Forfeiture & Confiscation

Mr Baird has experience of dealing with contested POCA hearings. He keeps his legal knowledge up to date in this fast-moving area.

Criminal Defence

R v N – Multiple rapes on partner whilst she slept. Acquitted

R v M – 1 of 4 defendants charged with Arson with intent to endanger life. Acquitted

R v D – defendant charged with a series of armed robberies. Acquitted of some offences

R v P – elderly defendant charged with possession of a firearm with intent. Acquitted

R v L – Dwelling burglaries. Acquitted after re-trial

R v N – Cultivating Cannabis. Acquitted

R v L – Charged with s18 Grievous Bodily Harm with intent. Convicted of s47 ABH

R v D – Youth, charged with s18 Wounding with intent. Convicted of s20 Wounding

R v H – Stalking. Acquitted

Criminal Prosecution

R v A – Attempted Murder. Convicted s18 OAPA

R v D & others – Conspiracy to Murder. Convicted

R v B & others – 5-handed Conspiracy to Supply Class A drugs. All convicted

R v N – Arson with Intent. Defence of Insanity raised. Convicted

R v W – Multiple allegations of Sexual Activity with a child. Convicted

R v O – Bomb Hoax. PII applications. Acquitted

R v A – Child Cruelty. Complainant hostile. Acquitted

Fraud & Financial Crime

R v F – Prosecuted significant benefit fraud where defendant did not agree any evidence. Convicted

R v J – Defended a client who had recently arrived in the UK and had claimed a range of benefits. Acquitted of some offences

R v K – Prosecuted a defendant accused of fraudulently applying for a large number of loans. Convicted

R v W – Prosecuted complex fraud spanning years involving selling funeral plans. Convicted

R v P – Defended a client accused of fraudulently obtaining substantial sums from her mother. Acquitted

R v G – Prosecuted defendant who fraudulently obtained money from elderly people in her care. Convicted

Military & Courts Martial

Mr Baird has represented a number of members of the Armed Services both in the UK and in Germany

Professional Memberships

CBA

Awards, Qualifications & Other

LLB (Hons)

MSc Management Studies

BVC

Grade 3 CPS Counsel