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David Tremain

David prosecutes and defends in the Crown Court, as well as appearing in the Magistrates and Youth Court, where he represents clients charged with a range of offences, from violent and sexual offences through to drugs, motoring and public order offences. David has also conducted private prosecutions in licensing matters for two London boroughs and has carried out work for clients facing asset forfeiture and confiscation proceedings.

Before coming to the Bar to specialise in criminal practice, David completed the TeachFirst programme and taught for three years in secondary schools in the Midlands and in Essex. Whilst completing the Bar course, David achieved a successful settlement for a client in the Employment Tribunal and also represented children facing school exclusion before Independent Review Panels. David also volunteered with Support Through Court, assisting litigants in person in the Family and County Court.

Solicitors describe David as “unfailingly diligent”, “professional”, “approachable and reliable.” The Court of Appeal recently praised David’s “careful and impressive submissions.”

Criminal Defence

R v MU & Others – David’s client was the first to be acquitted by the jury in a three-handed case where the Defendants were charged with possession of offensive weapons and were seen on CCTV attending a property and handling knives. David’s client successfully put forward a defence of good reason.

R v B – David secured acquittal for a student who had removed and discarded property from a car allegedly subject to a drugs search.

R v W – David successfully appealed to the Court of Appeal a sentence imposed for repeated breaches of a Criminal Behaviour Order. The Court agreed the offences had been wrongly categorised and reduced the overall sentence.

R v R – David successfully defended a Newton Hearing where his client was said to have been running a commercial cannabis operation. Expert evidence was led to support the client’s case that the operation, which had burned down his flat, was solely to supply himself and family.

R v ML & Others – David represented a climate protestor charged in connection with demonstrations in Westminster. He undertook lengthy cross-examination of the Crown's main witness, an Assistant Commissioner in the Metropolitan Police.

Criminal Prosecution

R v N – David successfully prosecuted the appeal against conviction of a professional footballer for motoring offences

R v Z & Others – David prosecuted three youths accused of knifepoint robbery; two were convicted.

Professional Memberships

The Honourable Society of the Middle Temple

CPS Advocates Panel Grade 1

Awards, Qualifications & Other

LLM – City University of London

BPTC – City Law School

PGCE – Birmingham City University