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## Gavin Capper

Gavin has experience in a broad range of criminal and regulatory matters both prosecuting and defending. Gavin also specialises in motoring law regularly representing clients for a variety of driving matters.

Before joining Chambers Gavin qualified as a criminal defence solicitor for a large regional firm in 2013. It was at this firm he obtained his police station accreditation, duty solicitor qualification and Higher rights of audience before transferring to the bar in 2015 and continuing to work at the firm as in house counsel. Gavin moved to a local set of chambers shortly after and obtained his CPS grading continuing to work throughout London, Essex, Suffolk and Norfolk both prosecuting and defending a wide range of cases. Gavin has also appeared at the Court of Appeal where he was successful in having a sentence significantly reduced for his client.

## POCA and Assets Seizure

Gavin has acted in a number of Proceeds of crime matters including at the High Court. He has also acted in cash seizure matters.

## Criminal Defence

Gavin has experience defending a wide range of cases, some examples are listed below;

**R v H acquittal:** mistreatment in a care home. A member of staff was alleged to have been mistreating elderly and vulnerable persons within their care. This was said to have been witnessed by 3 other members of staff.

**R v C Acquittal:** s.18 GBH. A male was alleged to have injured two males using a knife on one of them causing injury to his hand.

**R v S Acquittal:** perverting the course of justice. In this case the defendant was alleged to have fabricated a road rage attempt where a firearm was said to have been brandished resulting in the arrest of two people on Christmas eve.

**R v E-S – Acquittal:** Possession of a bladed article, assault and threats to kill. In this case it was alleged that a kebab shop owner had threatened a neighbouring shop owner having entered the store and arming himself with a large knife. This



was alleged to have been witnessed by a number of people in the store and also in neighbouring shops.

**R v I – Acquittal:** 2 counts of threats to firebomb a property where the defendant was alleged to have contacted his ex-partner and her mother on separate occasions threatening to firebomb their properties.

## Fraud & Financial Crime

**R v S – Theft from employer:** Gavin persuaded the judge in this occasion to impose a suspended sentence of imprisonment for an employee who had stolen goods to the value of £16,000 from his employer.

**R v C – Theft from PTA fund:** Gavin successfully managed to persuade the sentencing judge not to impose a sentence of immediate custody where a treasurer stole money belonging to the PTA of a school.

## Military & Courts Martial

**R v H – Court Martial Acquittal:** 4 allegations of assault and mistreatment of soldiers by a senior NCO assaulting soldiers under his control in a training environment.

**R v A –** successfully persuaded a panel to only impose fine upon a junior NCO for an assault which left a male unconscious and laying in the road after a night out.

## Motoring

Gavin has appeared on a number of occasions in both the Magistrates' court and at appeals in the Crown Court for a complete range of motoring matters.

## Dangerous dogs

**R v H – Dangerous dogs:** In this case a dog pulled an elderly male from a mobility scooter and bit him several times. Gavin successfully persuaded the magistrates not to destroy the dog in this instance.

**R v V – Dangerous dogs:** In this case a dog had bitten another dog and also a person who tried to intervene. Gavin successfully persuaded the magistrates not to destroy the dog despite the owner having a previous conviction for a similar incident

## Regulatory

Gavin has both prosecuted, defended and advised upon a range of regulatory matters both in the Magistrates court and Crown court.



## **Professional Memberships**

Criminal Bar Association

South Eastern Circuit

Middle Temple

Grade 1 CPS Counsel

## **Awards, Qualifications & Other**

Law LLB (hons) university of Essex

## **Direct Access**

Gavin Capper is approved to accept instructions direct from international and UK clients on a direct access basis, without the need for a solicitor intermediary in appropriate cases.