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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Crime

David is an experienced Criminal advocate who Prosecutes and Defends predominantly in Liverpool Crown Court. His practice is focused mainly on serious sexual offences but also incorporates Drug cases, offences of serious of violence, fraud and modern slavery.

David is a Category 3 Prosecutor and is on the CPS RASSO Panel. When Defending David often represents Defendants with particular vulnerabilities due to mental health issues and has significant experience with issues of fitness to plead.

PROFILE OVERVIEW

David read Law at Brunel University and was called to the Bar by the Honourable Society of Middle Temple in 1990. He practised in London for 7 years prior to moving to Liverpool in 1997. David is a Criminal Law specialist who practises solely in this field.

NOTABLE CASES

R v W and others 2021 Prosecuting as leading junior 13 handed money laundering trial.

R v R. 2022 Defending young defendant charged with multiple child rape and grooming offences.

R v D 2022 Prosecuting 4 handed Drugs conspiracy 10 kilos of Cocaine trafficked from inside prison.

R v F 2022 Prosecuting Modern slavery – vulnerable youth trafficked across country as part of “county lines” drug operation.

R v H 2022 Defending Vulnerable adult Defendant accused of child abduction by impersonating social worker.

R v H 2023 Defending Child Defendant charged with Rape.

R v P 2023 Prosecuting four complainant sexual abuse case incorporating coercive and controlling behaviour allegation.