DEANS COURT CHAMBERS

Jacob Dyer

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Education	Professional Associations	Appointments
St Catharine's College, Cambridge	Criminal Bar Association Northern Circuit	CPS Level 4 Prosecutor Member of CPS Specialist Fraud Panel at level 4 Member of CPS RASSO Panel

Areas of Specialism

- Crime
- Fraud
- Money Laundering
- Trading Standards
- DVSA/ Transport Act Cases
- Licensing
- Violent & Sexual Offences
- Contempt & Private Prosecutions
- Professional Discipline
- Regulatory
- GMC
- Inquests and Inquiries
- Firearms
- Homicide
- Motoring Offences
- Prison Law
- Sexual Offences

Profile

Jacob's criminal practice is focussed on serious and organised crime in the Crown Court.

He has over 30 years of experience both defending and prosecuting such cases. He has been a Category 4 prosecutor for 20 years, having prosecuted on his own and as leading junior in murder cases and serious fraud. However, his focus is now principally on defence work. He has recent experience of complex Computer Misuse Act/ hacking cases.

In addition to his criminal practice Jacob also accepts instructions in professional discipline cases and regulatory work. He has experience of GMC work and representing professionals in disciplinary tribunals.

Jacob supports and accepts instructions through Advocate, the Bar pro bono unit.

Notable Cases

Blackpool BC Inquest into the death of HM

Practice Area:

Represented Blackpool Council at an inquest into the death of a man recently discharged from a psychiatric ward. The case concerned issues as to support in place on discharge and consideration of the engagement of Article 2

R v S & others (Operation Bay

Practice Area:

Prosecuted 5-handed murder as leading junior before Linden J. All 5 defendants (each represented by junior and leading counsel) ran a trial and disputed participation/ alleged self-defence. Four convicted of murder and the remaining defendant convicted of manslaughter.

R v Gill

Practice Area:

Successfully prosecuted G for attempted murder, a case involving the production of a bow and arrow and a knife to inflict life-threatening injuries, resulting in a sentence of 34 years imprisonment (29 years custody plus 5 year extended licence).

R v F (Operation Glenco) (Metrolink manslaughter):

Practice Area:

Together with Iain Simkin KC secured acquittal of one of 4 employees charged with unlawful act manslaughter relating to the chase and apprehension of a young man from Victoria Station in Manchester. Case involved complex expert evidence and successful legal argument in relation to the difficult area of mens rea in unlawful act manslaughter and the role of secondary parties.

R v D (Operation Baycliff)

Practice Area:

5 week trial defending alleged serial rapist (5 victims) preying on club-goers in the Northern Quarter of Manchester. Acquitted on 4 of the sexual offences, including three offences of rape.

GMC v Dr A

Practice Area:

Successfully represented the GMC in relation to serious sexual misconduct allegations (including rape) against doctor. All allegations proved leading to erasure. Case involved responding to multiple preliminary legal challenges from leading counsel for the doctor in relation to disclosure and abuse of process.

Rex v TP (and others)

Practice Area:

Successfully defeated third party claim to a share of £3/4 million worth of crypto currency in POCA proceedings involving a claim by defendant's former partner to a beneficial interest.

Rex v CW

Practice Area:

Secured acquittal of nurse in case involving multiple rape allegations made by former partner.

Operation Bay - 2023

Practice Area: Crime

Operation Bay' murder trial. Prosecuted 5-handed murder as leading junior (leading Michelle Brown) against 5 silks with junior counsel. Case involved complex issues of participation and joint enterprise, with the added compilation of cut-throat defences. Secured 4 convictions for murder and one for manslaughter.

2022

Practice Area: Inquest

Represented Blackpool Council at an inquest into the death of a man recently discharged from a psychiatric ward. The case concerned issues as to support in place on discharge and consideration of the engagement of Article 2. The coroner concluded that, whilst there might have been earlier planning, that would not have made any difference to the outcome.

2022

Practice Area: Inquest

Represented LCC in February 2021 at an inquest into the death of DC - a case involving a patient with multiple health problems raising issues of causation, refusal of treatment and failure to carry out mental capacity assessments.

"Operation Finglas" as leading junior, 2019

Practice Area: Crime

Successfully prosecuted 3 defendants charged with conspiracy to falsify tachograph records (one represented by leading counsel). This was a highly technical case involving the development and use of printed circuit boards to defeat the signals from tachograph KITAS sender units.

“Operation Shakespeare” 2018

Practice Area: Crime

Successfully prosecuted murder as junior alone in a glassing case.

"Operation Cronus" 2018

Practice Area: Crime

Secured convictions against 5 defendants in multiple / complex allegations of fraud, involving the setting up of bogus companies.

R v Smedley & Joynson (Liverpool Crown Court) as leading junior, 2017

Practice Area: Crime

Successfully prosecuted Deputy VC of major university for £1/2m fraud.