

# **Eleanor Myers**

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Education	Professional Associations	Appointments
University of Bristol- BA in Music (Hons) University of Law- Graduate Diploma in Law	The Honourable Society of the Inner Temple Women in Criminal Law (North West)	CPS Panel 1
University of Law- Bar Professional Training Course/ LLM - Very Competent/ Distinction		

Areas of Specialism			
General Crime			
Licensing			

Eleanor became a member of Chambers in September 2021 after the successful completion of pupillage under the supervision of Mr. Fraser Livesey.

## Crime

Eleanor has developed a busy and varied criminal practice. She defends and prosecutes in Crown Court, Youth Court, and magistrates' court proceedings, and has particular experience in cases involving, but not limited to, serious violence, drug offences, and dishonesty offences. She is a CPS panel 2 advocate.

Eleanor is a confident and adaptable advocate. She is comfortable before a jury at trial and presents meticulous and persuasive mitigation when defending at sentence.

Outside of the courtroom, Eleanor is thorough in her advice to clients. She quickly develops a positive relationship with those whom she represents and provides invaluable support throughout proceedings.

Prior to coming to the Bar, Eleanor worked as a paralegal at a criminal defence solicitors' firm in London. She assisted the Crown Court department in preparation of cases for a range of offences including historic sex allegations, serious violent crime, and large-scale drug offences. In this role she was involved in all aspects of case preparation, from taking client instructions to drafting defence case statements and compiling substantial bundles in proceedings brought under the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002.

## Motoring

Eleanor has been instructed on both a private and legal aid basis in motoring offences. She has a thorough knowledge and understanding of the law and technical aspects of this particular area, and regularly obtains positive results in cases where Special Measures and Exceptional Hardship arguments are advanced.

## **Private prosecution**

Eleanor regularly prosecutes on behalf of local authorities in taxi licencing and school non-attendance cases. She has prepared a document for a county council to assist in the prosecution of cases where the case of Leatherland & another v Powys County Council [2007] EWHC 148 (Admin) is relied upon by the defence.

# Inquests

Eleanor has been instructed by the Royal College of Nursing to represent registered nurses in inquest proceedings where they appear as interested persons.

## Regulatory

She has advised and prepared written submissions on behalf of Social Work England,

#### **Notable Cases**

# R v JP & another

## **Practice Area:**

Eleanor successfully defended in a case of alleged assault occasioning actual bodily harm where a conviction would have resulted in her client being brought before her professional regulatory body, with potentially devastating impacts on her client's career.

#### R v RB

#### **Practice Area:**

Eleanor secured a suspended sentence order following a guilty plea being entered for an offence of cultivating cannabis.

## HMRC v Baby Republic Ltd

#### **Practice Area:**

Advised the company as to options available to them to secure the release of a seized shipment of Elf on the Shelf products. She made written submissions to HMRC that led to the quick return of the goods.

#### R v CC:

## **Practice Area:**

Eleanor successfully prosecuted a case of s18 assault with intent to cause grievous bodily harm.

## Trading Standards v SB & ors

## **Practice Area:**

Eleanor was instructed as led junior counsel in a fraud conspiracy case where the prosecution dropped proceedings against her client before the close of the prosecution case.

# R v RB & another

### **Practice Area:**

Eleanor secured a suspended sentence for a client, previously of good character, who had pleaded guilty to a serious incident of malicious wounding.

### LCC v AT

## **Practice Area:**

Eleanor successfully applied to exclude vital elements of the prosecution case against her client, leading to proceedings being dropped prior to trial commencing.

### R v CM

# **Practice Area:**

Eleanor successfully defended in a case of dwelling burglary.