

AREAS OF PRACTICE

Jay is a practising barrister at Lloyds PR Solicitors who is additionally licensed to undertake litigation. He is also a police station representative and a qualified duty solicitor who leads our Hertfordshire office.

In his capacity as an accredited police station representative, Jay has represented clients at the police station for all offences, ranging from driving offences to allegations of rape and murder. He has also assisted some of the country's top criminal defence Queens Counsel in preparing murder trials on behalf of Lloyds PR Solicitors.

Jay's main role at Lloyds PR Solicitors however, is as an advocate, representing clients in both the Magistrates' and Crown Courts. As an advocate, Jay has represented defendants in a whole range of cases at Court, including offences of murder, conspiracies, money laundering, and offences of a violent or sexual nature.

Jay has a breadth of experience in dealing with serious and complex criminal cases from the very beginning in the police station up to and including as the advocate at Crown Court trial.

As an advocate and litigator, Jay understands the importance of mobile phone evidence, forensic evidence, analysing accounts and other areas of expertise. He is used to working alongside experts from all fields, including Queens Counsel, road collision experts and scientists from all fields.



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NOTABLE CASES

LITIGATION

Jay is currently acting as the senior litigator in the following current cases:

- **R v AS (2019) St Albans Crown Court**

The defendant is accused of murder. This is a high profile case. The trial is due to begin in 2019.

- **R v AC (2018) Worcester Crown Court**

The defendant is accused of throwing a corrosive substance at a three year old boy with intent to cause him grievous bodily harm. The trial is due to begin in January 2019.

- **R v AT (2018) St Albans Crown Court**

The defendant is accused of murder. This is a high profile case. The trial is due to begin in 2019.

- **R v ZG (2018) Southwark Crown Court**

The defendant is accused of racially aggravated assault.

- **R v SA (2018) Luton Crown Court**

The defendant is accused of tax evasion in excess of £600,000.

- **R v RM (2018) St Albans Crown Court**

This was called Operation Klister. The defendant was charged with 17 others with conspiracy to commit fraud and conspiracy to drive dangerously over a two year period. This was a "crash for cash" case where there were induced/staged accidents to allow insurance claims to be made. This fraud is valued at over £1 million.

ADVOCACY

Jay is currently instructed to act as the advocate in the following current cases:

- **R v MM (2018) Old Bailey**

The defendant was accused of causing death by careless driving. After a trial before a jury, the defendant was acquitted. Jay challenged the expert evidence of the crown and called his own expert in road traffic collision reconstruction.

- **R v DT (2018) St Albans Crown Court**

Jay is instructed as the advocate in this case where the defendant is accused of causing Grievous Bodily Harm with intent, on a joint enterprise basis, with a knife. The trial will begin in 2019.

- **R v PV (2018) St Albans Crown Court**

The defendant is accused of possession of indecent images. Jay is the instructed advocate and the trial will begin in 2019.

PREVIOUS CASES

COMPLEX CASES

- **R v EA (2017) Central Criminal Court (The Old Bailey)**

The defendant was accused of murder in the Willesden area of North London. Jay was instructed as junior counsel in this case, led by Queens Counsel at the Old Bailey.

- **R v SP (2016) Central Criminal Court (The Old Bailey)**

Case involving ten robberies at banks and post offices in South London over a period of months. The last robbery involved the use of a firearm. Jay was instructed as junior counsel in this case at the Old Bailey, which involved complicated cell site and phone evidence.

- **R v ** (a youth) (2016) – Central Criminal Court (The Old Bailey)**

Jay was instructed as junior counsel in this case where the defendant, aged 15 at the time, was alleged to have conspired to commit GBH with intent, which resulted in the death of one boy and the serious injury by way of stabbing, to another boy. This case involved large amounts of CCTV and phone evidence. The trial lasted for around two months.

- **R v JU (2015) – St Albans Crown Court**

Jay was instructed as junior counsel in this case, which was a contested matter of Familial Homicide and Perverting the Course of Justice where a young female had died at her family home. Jay was led by Queens Counsel in this case before a High Court Judge, which ran for 10 weeks, with seven defendants facing charges including Murder and Familial Homicide.

- **R v FH (2015) – Southwark Crown Court**

Jay was a led junior advocate in this case involving allegations of false imprisonment, people trafficking and money laundering.

- **R v AM & Others (2014) – Truro Crown Court**

Jay was a led junior advocate in a multi handed fraud case involving £200,000. This was a paperwork heavy case where the allegations spanned a number of years.

OTHER NOTABLE CASES

Jay has acted as instructed counsel on his own in the following cases:

SERIOUS FRAUD AND MONEY LAUNDERING

- **R v AH (2016) Isleworth Crown Court**

6 day contested trial involving a brother and sister accused of committing a fraud over a long period of time against a high street chain. Case involving many months of bank account statements and various aspects of identity evidence, including three facial mapping experts who gave live evidence.

- **R v GK (2015) – Bristol Crown Court**

Represented the first defendant on the indictment in relation to money laundering offences – four day trial.

- **R v DJSRA (2014) – Central Criminal Court (Old Bailey)**

Jay was instructed to represent the third defendant in a multi-handed trial, where the defendants were accused of bank fraud and acquiring criminal property – six day trial.

- **R v AM (2014) - Central Criminal Court (The Old Bailey)**

Large scale ATM fraud with international elements.

SEXUAL OFFENCES

- **R v SD (2016) Harrow Crown Court**

Case involving the possession of a Grade A image and various breaches of a Sexual Harm Prevention Order.

- **R v JD (2015) – Harrow Crown Court**

Case involving possession of both indecent images and extreme pornography.

- **R v MA (2015) – Blackfriars Crown Court**

Involved two allegations of sexual assault whilst the victims were allegedly subject to hypnotism – four day trial.

- **R v CS (2015) – St Albans Crown Court**

Case involving a large number of indecent images.

- **R v AC (2014) – Harrow Crown Court**

Case involving an allegation of Sexual Assault in a hotel– three day trial involving complicated mental health issues on behalf of the defendant.

SERIOUS VIOLENCE

- **R v MA and GL (2016) – Lewes Crown Court and Hove Trial Centre**

Jay represented the defendants in this case where they were accused of violence offences, including attempting to wound with intent, and affray.

- **R v VJS (2016) – Harrow Crown Court**

Jay was sole counsel in this trial, where a care worker was accused of assaulting an elderly and disabled woman who was in her care at a care home. 3 day trial.

- **R v IL (2015) – Harrow Crown Court**

Affray within a dwelling where the defendant was alleged to have used an axe against other members of that dwelling – three day trial.

FIREARMS

- **R v SV (2015) – Harrow Crown Court**

Case involving threats made with an imitation firearm.

- **R v MS (2014) – Harrow Crown Court**

Case involving a firearms offence.

- **R v ** (a child) (2014) – Feltham Youth Court**

Two day youth trial involving an allegation of making threats with a firearm. Included a whole additional day of legal argument, and cross examination of a vulnerable witness.

SEXUAL OFFENCES FALSE IMPRISONMENT, HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND BREACHES OF IMMIGRATION LAW

- **R v FH (2015) – Southwark Crown Court**

Jay was led by senior counsel in this case involving allegations of false imprisonment, people trafficking and money laundering.

- **R v SA (2015) – Canterbury Crown Court**

Jay represented the defendant at trial for an offence of conspiring to facilitate a breach of immigration laws by smuggling a gentleman in to the UK – three day trial.

- **R v HS (2015) – Blackfriars Crown Court**

Case involving a 'sham marriage' arrangement.

DRUGS

- **R v VH (2016) – Isleworth Crown Court**

Jay was instructed to represent one of two defendants who were accused of supplying Class A drugs. This case involved undercover police operations.

- **R v DL (2015) – Harrow Crown Court**

Accusation of possession with intent to supply cannabis – three day trial.

- **R v MA (2015) – St Albans Crown Court**

Multi-handed case involving allegations of possession with intent to supply Class A drugs valued at up to £4,800.

- **R v BH (2014) – Woodgreen Crown Court**

Possession with intent to supply Class A drugs, involving the finding of approximately 100,000 Euros in the same property. This was a three day Crown Court trial.

- **Rv AL (2014) – Luton Crown Court**

Successfully made an application to dismiss in relation to a count of offering to supply drugs to an undercover officer. Following this successful application, the second count of theft from the undercover officer was discontinued.

THEFT AND RELATED OFFENCES

- **R v AD (2016) – Kingston Crown Court**

5 day contested trial with two defendants who worked for Yodel, accused of stealing packages and selling them online.

- **R v AW (2015) – St Albans Crown Court**

Multi-handed case involving allegations of conspiracy to burgle and commit fraud.

- **R v PP (2015) – St Albans Crown Court**

Multi-handed case involving an allegation of conspiracy to burgle commercial premises.

- **R v RB (2015) – St Albans Crown Court**

The defendant was accused of seven domestic burglaries in the Hertfordshire area and contested the matter at trial.

- **R v SM (2014) – St Albans Crown Court**

Allegations of conspiracy to steal fuel from petrol stations over a period of time.

- **R v IB & PM (2014) – Snaresbrook Crown Court**

Represented both defendants in relation to allegations of conspiring to steal beer kegs on a vast scale from pubs in the London and Hertfordshire areas.

- **R v RP (2014) – St Albans Crown Court**

The defendant was accused of carrying out 6 burglaries in the Hertfordshire area. Three day trial involving testimony as to cell site and CCTV evidence.

DRIVING OFFENCES

- **R v KF (2015) –Snaresbrook Crown Court**

Allegation of intentional dangerous driving which involved the ramming of another vehicle. Three day trial where Jay made a successful half time submission.

- **R v AJMD (2015) – Harrow Crown Court**

Allegation of dangerous driving where the defendant was said to have been pursued by several officers in a police van. Three day trial.

- **R v RK (2014) – Isleworth Crown Court**

Jay was instructed to represent the defendant in relation to three allegations of causing serious injury by dangerous driving, which at the time was a relatively new offence, having come into force in 2012.

- **R v FB (2014) – St Albans Crown Court**

Allegation of dangerous driving involving a sustained police pursuit in the St Albans area.

MAGISTRATES' COURT

- **R v AL (2014) – Hammersmith Magistrates' Court**

Wrote and presented to the Court a detailed skeleton argument in order to apply to vacate the defendant's plea.

- **R v CB (2014) - Romford Magistrates' Court**

Involved a woman of good character in relation to public order offences and offences of assaulting a police officer. After a full days trial the defendant was acquitted.

- **R v AJ (2014) – Wimbledon Magistrates' Court**

Represented the defendant on the day of trial where the prosecution eventually offered no evidence.

- **R v VT (2014) – Camberwell Green Magistrates' Court**

Successfully defended the accused at trial for an offence of unlawful gambling. Challenged the evidence of two officers at trial and succeeded in making a submission of no case to answer.

- **R v AR (2014) – High Wycombe Magistrates' Court**

Successfully defended the accused at trial in relation to an allegation of breaching a non- molestation order.

- **R v ** (a child) (2014) – Willesden Youth Court**

Defended a youth case involving the evidence of two police officers at Willesden Youth Court.

QUASI CRIMINAL / CIVIL CASES / CIVIL CASES / REGULATORY CASES

- **R v CP (a vulnerable adult) (2014) – St Albans Magistrates' Court**

Successfully varied a restraining order issued as part of a sentence by the same Court.

- **London Borough of Lambeth –v- NB & MB (2014) – Camberwell Green Magistrates' Court**

Jay was instructed to represent both defendants in relation to regulatory offences. The issue in the case relates to statutory time limits for bringing a prosecution.

- **Environmental Agency –v- NJ (2014) – St Albans Crown Court**

The defendant was accused of environmental offences, prosecuted by the environment agency.

CONFISCATION

- **R v RM (2018) St Albans Crown Court**

Current confiscation proceedings with an approximate benefit value of £1 million.

- **R v AD (2016) Kingston Crown Court**

Now concluded confiscation proceedings.

- **R v LB (2015) – St Albans Crown Court**

Now concluded confiscation proceedings.

- **R v FH (2015) – Southwark Crown Court**

Now concluded confiscation proceedings.

- **R v AW (2014) – St Albans Crown Court**

Now concluded confiscation proceedings.

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

Jay was called to the Bar at the Honourable Society of Gray's Inn, having qualified as a barrister in 2010. He initially studied Criminology and Criminal Justice at Portsmouth University, gaining a BSc (Hons) in 2008, before attending the College of Law (now the University of Law), to study the GDL and BVC. Additionally he was awarded an LLB law degree in 2010.

- 2008 – Criminology and Criminal Justice BSc (Hons) – University of Portsmouth
- 2009 – Graduate Diploma in Law – The College of Law
- 2010 – Bar Vocational Course – The College of Law
- 2010 – LLB (Hons) – The College of Law
- 2010 – Call to the Bar - The Honourable Society of Gray's Inn
- 2011 – Police Station Accreditation Course – University of Swansea
- 2014 – Licensed as a Litigator by the BSB
- 2015 – Duty Solicitor Qualification

MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

- The Honourable Society of Gray's Inn
- The General Council of the Bar (England and Wales)
- The Law Society Criminal Litigation Scheme

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