

Gemma White

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Homicide (Murder and Manslaughter)

Recent cases of note

- R v CC (2025 ongoing) unlawful act manslaughter/ wanton and furious driving. Elderly Pedestrian knocked over by cyclist on the pavement, died as result of injuries
- Op Gateford (2024 ongoing) Murder/ bladed article (ongoing)
- Operation Amaryllis [2024] Murder allegation, Newport (IOW) Crown Court Led by Jo Martin KC. Murder
- Operation Bridport [2023] Lewes Crown Court. Led by Caroline Carberry KC 3 handed murder
- R v BM [2021] representing 14-year-old charged with attempt murder. Acquitted
- Operation Login [2019-2020] Junior counsel in high profile multi-handed complex murder, assisting and offender and conspiracy to supply Class A
- Operation Rosette [2019] Winchester Crown Court. Junior counsel in murder committed by two brothers (led by Adam Feest QC). BBC report here
- Operation Manner [2019] Bristol Crown Court junior counsel (led by Adam Feest QC) in hit and run manslaughter. Case involved complex disclosure exercise and lengthy abuse of process arguments. BBC report here.
- Operation River [2017] Second led junior (led by Nigel Lickley QC and Jodie Mittell) in multi-handed murder and aggravated burglary following a botched burglary where victim shot. National press coverage here.

Recommendations

'Gemma is highly intelligent, exceptionally diligent in preparation and has an effective laconic style of advocacy.' **Legal 500 2026**/Crime (General and Fraud)/ Leading Juniors/ Western Circuit

Gemma White - 3PB 'Gemma is extremely hard-working. Her case presentation skills are second-to-none, and she is a stand-out cross-examiner who has a particular ability to gently undermine the evidence of any witness in a case without appearing overbearing.'

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'particular strength lies in the cross-examination of young or vulnerable witnesses'

'Whether prosecuting or defending, she is particularly adept at dealing with cases of the utmost sensitivity. She is always on top of her brief and combines intellect with a common sense approach.'

Legal 500 2024/Crime (General and Fraud)/ Leading Juniors/ Western Circuit

'Gemma is determined, focused, committed, always fully prepared and highly professional. She is an assured and proficient advocate, confident in court with all judges.'

Academic qualifications

- LLB Law with French (Hons) 2.1 University of the West of England, Bristol
- Certificate in European Political Studies Universite 🛮 de Robert Schuman, Strasbourg
- Bar Vocational Course (Very Competent) BPP Holborn
- LLM Sports Law and Practice (Distinction) De Montfort University Leicester

Professional qualifications & appointments

- Grade 4 Prosecutor
- Rape and Serious Sexual Offences Specialist
- Deputy District Judge (Magistrates Court) 2021
- Fee-Paid Judge of the Mental Health Tribunal 2023
- Recorder (Crime) 2023
- Treasury Counsel Monitoree 2024

Professional bodies

- Criminal Bar Association
- Western Circuit
- Inn: Inner Temple