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Overview

Robert Grey specialises in criminal law with an emphasis on very serious sex, drugs and fraud cases. He both prosecutes and defends. His defence practice in particular has taken him all over the country, where he has appeared in many high profile cases, some of which have gone on to become established Court of Appeal authorities.

Robert is also a specialist in confiscation and proceeds of crime, and is a member of the Proceeds of Crime Group in Chambers. He lectures in criminal law for CPD purposes, and is chairman of the 3PB Bournemouth criminal law group. When not appearing in the criminal courts, Robert has a particular interest in contract/sale of goods/limitation actions. In respect of the latter, he conducted the case for the claimant at all levels in the seminal leading House of Lords authority of *Stubbings v Webb* [1993] AC 498. Robert Grey specialises in criminal law with an emphasis on very serious sex, drugs and fraud cases. He both prosecutes and defends. His defence practice in particular has taken him all over the country, where he has appeared in many high profile cases, some of which have gone on to become established Court of Appeal authorities.

Recommendations

Chambers & Partners UK Bar Directory 2021:

Robert Grey – Band 3 – Crime – Western Bar

A well-regarded senior junior who is regularly instructed in complex drugs, fraud and sexual offences cases. He both prosecutes and defends, and also offers specialist expertise in proceeds of crime. Some of his cases have gone on to be established Court of Appeal authorities.

Strengths: "A very experienced and calm barrister. He is a great problem solver and is excellent at trial." "He has a very personable style and is disarming with juries."

Recent work: Instructed in *R v Robson*, a multi-complainant rape case involving both historic and recent incidents.

Chambers & Partners UK Bar Directory 2020:

Robert Grey Band 3 Crime – Western (Bar)

Strengths: "He is completely reliable, very good at problem solving and dealing with clients, and particularly good with juries. Despite his long experience he has retained his enthusiasm. He is a very intelligent barrister."

Chambers & Partners UK Bar Directory 2019:

Crime – Western (Bar) – Band 3

Successfully defended in a serious case concerning the smuggling of weapons including AK-47s procured on the dark web.

Chambers & Partners UK Bar Directory 2018:

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Strengths: "He is a robust, high-quality advocate who has excellent client care skills."

Chambers & Partners UK Bar Directory 2017:

Crime – Western (Bar) – Band 3

Strengths: "He is extremely experienced and a very good advocate." "He provides an excellent service."

Recent work: Successfully defended a former scoutmaster against charges arising from historic sex allegations.

Chambers & Partners UK Bar Directory 2016:

Crime – Western (Bar) – Band 3

Has a broad criminal practice, but is particularly highly praised for his expertise in fraud, serious sexual offences and drugs cases.

Recent work: Instructed in a large-scale drugs importation case in which £800,000 of counterfeit tobacco was imported from China.

Chambers & Partners UK Bar Directory 2015:

Crime – Western Bar – Band 1 Set

Robert Grey both prosecutes and defends a wide range of criminal cases, including those relating to serious sexual offences, drugs and fraud.

Expertise: "He is a great problem solver and a reliable professional. He creates a lot of confidence in his clients with his ability to make everything seem effortless." "He knows what is in the client's best interests and is not afraid to fight for it."

Recent work: Instructed in a multi-handed mortgage fraud.

Robert is recommended by the **Legal 500 Bar Directory 2021** for his expertise in the Regional Bar – Western Circuit.

Crime – Leading juniors

Robert Grey – 'His advocacy is of the highest standard, succinct and measured in tone.'

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Robert Grey – 'His practice includes complex drug, fraud, and sexual offences.'

Robert is recommended by the **Legal 500 Bar Directory 2018/19** for his expertise in the Regional Bar – Western Circuit.

Crime – Leading juniors

Robert Grey – 'An accomplished problem-solver who knows how to get the best result.'

Robert is recommended by the **Legal 500 Bar Directory 2017** for his expertise in the Regional Bar – Western Circuit.

Crime – Leading juniors

Robert Grey – 'A brave advocate, who connects with clients from all backgrounds.'

Legal 500 Bar Directory 2016 Regional Bar – Western Circuit.

Crime – Leading juniors

Robert Grey – Recommended for serious sex, drugs and fraud trials.

Legal 500 Bar Directory 2015 Regional Bar – Western Circuit.

Crime – Leading juniors

Robert Grey – He is particularly strong in complex sex, drugs and fraud cases

Legal 500 UK Directory 2014 – Western Circuit.

3PB's Robert Grey – "Experienced in sex, drugs and fraud cases."

Academic qualifications

- BA (Hons.) Lancaster
- Dip. in Law (London)

Professional bodies

- Criminal Bar Association
- Western Circuit

Crime

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Notable recent cases:

R v Hill (2014), complex multi-handed cocaine trial;

R v Dibbs (2014), complex murder case;

R v Aljerrari (2014), perverting the course of justice and a case involving a bomb hoax;

R v Cantor (2013), historic sexual abuse spanning several decades with different victims;

R v Zacyck (2013), very complicated mortgage fraud case.