



# Robert Grey

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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 at 3PB. He lectures in criminal law for CPD purposes, and is chairman of the 3PB's 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*.

## Recommendations

Robert Grey is recommended by the **Legal 500 Bar Directory 2026** for his expertise in the Regional Bar - Western Circuit/Crime (general and fraud) - Leading juniors.

Robert Grey is a 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.

**Chambers UK 2025**/Crime/Western Bar

Robert Grey is recommended by the **Legal 500 Bar Directory 2025** for his expertise in the Regional Bar - Western Circuit/Crime (general and fraud) - Leading juniors.

Strengths: "He is extremely well regarded."

**Chambers UK 2024**/Crime/Western Bar

Robert Grey is recommended by the **Legal 500 Bar Directory 2024** for his expertise in the Regional Bar - Western Circuit/Crime - Leading juniors.

Strengths: "He has superb analytical abilities and is committed."

**Chambers UK 2023**/Crime/Western Bar

Robert Grey is recommended by the **Legal 500 Bar Directory 2023** for his expertise in the Regional Bar - Western Circuit/Crime - Leading juniors

Robert Grey is 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.

Recent work: Acted as the defence against rape allegations involving the covert administration of drugs in a night club and the impact of that on consent.

**Chambers UK 2022/**Crime/Western Bar

Robert Grey is recommended by the **Legal 500 Bar Directory 2022** for his expertise in the Regional Bar - Western Circuit/Crime - Leading juniors

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 UK 2021/**Crime/Western Bar

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

**Legal 500 2021/**Crime/Western

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 UK 2020/**Crime/Western Bar

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

**Legal 500 2020/**Crime/Western

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

**Chambers UK 2019/**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: "He is a robust, high-quality advocate who has excellent client care skills."

**Chambers UK 2018/**Crime/Western Bar

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

**Legal 500 2018/9/**Crime/Western

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 UK 2017/**Crime/Western Bar

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

**Legal 500 2017/**Crime/Western

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 UK 2016/**Crime/Western Bar

Recommended for serious sex, drugs and fraud trials.

**Legal 500 2016/**Crime/Western

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.

**Chambers UK 2015**/Crime/Western Bar

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

**Legal 500 2015**/Crime/Western

"Experienced in sex, drugs and fraud cases."

**Legal 500 2014**/Crime/Western

'3PB has a large regional presence. Robert Grey attracts praise.'

**Legal 500 2013/4**/Crime/Western

## **Academic qualifications**

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

## **Professional bodies**

- Criminal Bar Association
- Western Circuit

# Expertise

## Crime and Regulatory Crime

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Robert specialises in crime with an emphasis on very serious sex, drugs and fraud cases. He both prosecutes and defends. He is also a specialist in confiscation and proceeds of crime matters. He also undertakes working involving contract/sale of goods/limitation actions.

### **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.