



James Gregory is a highly experienced defence trial lawyer. The hallmark of his approach is an absolute determination to achieve the best possible outcome in every case no matter how difficult.

After an early career in general criminal work he established his reputation in a series of celebrated appeals following miscarriages of justice. The best known of that series were the appeals of Stefan Kiszko (who served 16 years in prison for a murder he did not commit) and Sally Clark (a solicitor wrongly convicted of the murder of her two infant children).

He has always undertaken regulatory work and defended in Trading Standards cases but now focuses predominantly in "white collar" crime. In recent years he has successfully represented:-

- a chartered accountant charged with theft from clients
- a company director charged as mastermind in a major bank fraud (£20 million)
- a company director charged with international money laundering
- an executive charged with fraud in relation to the running of an insurance company
- two major charity frauds
- Inland Revenue offences
- a fraud in relation to government education grants
- two cases of solicitors charged with mortgage fraud
- a solicitor charged with legal aid fraud
- an executive charged with the operation of a fraudulent rating advisory company
- the managing director of a plc in relation to market manipulation

His most recent major successful defence was in the case of R v Vance Miller and Others which was concluded in January 2010. This was by far the largest Trading Standards prosecution ever tried in this country. Costs for the defence of approximately £2 million were awarded against Oldham Trading Standards Department. Since that time James Gregory has successfully acted (for the second time) for a major dealer in autographed memorabilia charged with deceptions. He has also recently represented a chartered accountant in the Accountancy and Actuarial Discipline Board.

Alongside his established and demonstrable courtroom record, it may be of interest to note that over the years he has been repeatedly recommended in the major legal directories and publications including Chambers, Legal 500 and Law Week. Examples include:

"... good with clients, good with solicitors, good in Court, an all round class act" (Law Week).

"Master of the well chosen phrase" (Legal 500).

James Gregory is principally concerned to sustain his reputation for fighting hard for the best possible outcome in the most difficult and challenging cases.