



Richard Dawson joined Lincoln House in 2010, bringing with him a practice based in serious crime. Richard is a Grade 3 Prosecutor; however his criminal practice is predominantly Defence focused. Richard is regularly instructed in publicly funded cases but his practice has shifted to adopt a bias towards private work.

CRIMINAL LAW

Richard's practice encompasses work across the criminal spectrum; although focused on offences of serious violence, dishonesty and fraud; large scale public disorder; and major drugs and mental health cases.

A particular field of interest is Road Traffic law and driving offences. Richard specialises in defending drivers charged with offences arising out of fatal road traffic accidents.

Richard also accepts instructions in the spheres of Coroner's Inquests and Prison Law, having regularly appeared before the Parole Board.

Richard has developed a strong reputation for hard work, immaculate preparation and clear fact management in complex cases and he is highly regarded by all those who instruct him.

NOTABLE CASES

R v Butterworth – historic sexual abuse – junior Defence Counsel – privately funded case (ongoing)

R v Hayhurst & Others – Operation Beath – Defence Counsel – money launderer charged in connection with international conspiracy to import/supply drugs – potential value in excess of £100 million (ongoing)

R v O'Loughlin – causing death by careless driving – Defence Counsel – privately funded case (ongoing)

R v Stanley – multiple rapes – Defence Counsel – multiple allegations of sexual assault; multiple complainants – acquitted

R v Higgins – historic familial sexual abuse – Defence Counsel – charged with allegations of historic sexual misconduct against his half-sister from when he was aged 13 and she was only 7 years old – acquitted of attempting to rape her and of repeatedly indecently assaulting her

R v Ward – causing death by careless driving whilst under the influence of alcohol – Defence Counsel – in excess of 3 times legal driving limit – privately funded case

R v Christie – causing death by careless driving
Defence Counsel – deceased was 83 years old –
acquitted by unanimous verdict – privately funded

case

R v Ogunleye & Others – conspiracy to assist unlawful immigration – Defence Counsel – sham marriages between EU & Nigerian nationals

R v Thompson & Others – fraud – junior Defence Counsel – million pound conspiracy to defraud elderly people throughout the UK – case against Thompson eventually dropped at trial

R v Healy & Others – Operation Rigging – Defence Counsel – large scale conspiracy to supply drugs

R v Gregory & Others – Operation Perryville – Defence Counsel – 26 Defendants charged out of undercover drugs operation

R v Gabryszewski – rape – Defence Counsel – successfully defended a Polish national who spoke no English

R v Kenrick & Others – aggravated burglary – Defence Counsel – use of lump hammer to cause serious injury – acquitted

R v Wynne – burglary with intent to inflict GBH & s.18, GBH – Prosecution Counsel – successfully prosecuted man who had stabbed his own brother

R v Parsons – fraud – junior Defence Counsel – conspiracy to defraud multiple banking institutions – digital interception of credit card details from freestanding ATM units – technology employed never before seen in use in UK – stated to have the potential to cripple UK financial institutions

R v Grocock & Others – murder – junior Defence Counsel

R v Hanrahan & Another – murder – junior Defence Counsel

R v Holt & Others – Operation Rochefort – Defence Counsel – 14 handed set-top box fraud – represented only Defendant against whom the case was eventually dropped

EDUCATION / PROFESSIONAL

The Crossley Heath School, Halifax

BSc (Hons.) Environmental Geology – University of Sheffield

Postgraduate Diploma in Law – Manchester Metropolitan University

Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Practice at the Bar – Manchester Metropolitan University

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