Neil Fryman

Call to Bar: 1989



Neil Fryman joined Lincoln House in 2008, after having developed a considerable reputation as an effective advocate in heavyweight criminal whilst practising from Peel Court Chambers since 1989.

Over the last thirty years, Neil has practised solely in crime and has increasingly specialised in substantial multi-handed conspiracy matters of significant gravity and public interest.

Neil has a healthy mixture of both prosecution and defence work.

Neil is a member of the Northern Circuit and of the Criminal Bar Association and is a Grade 4 prosecutor (2007).

Neil deals with cases involving the Serious Organised Crime Agency (S.O.C.A) on a very regular basis.

Neil's practice focusses on, but is not limited to, offences such as murder, firearms, drugs, serious violence, people trafficking and robbery.

Criminal Law

R v Scarlett & Ors – One of the largest ever cannabis importation cases in the UK.

R v Walker – A drugs related headless corpse murder.

R v Butt & Gordon – The Pit Bull Crew gangland murder Conviction Appeal on joint enterprise.

R v Read – Paedophile murderer. R v Matthews & Ors – Drugs related murder with screens in the dock between defendants.

R v Arain & Ors – Operation Rochefort, prosecuting 14-handed set top box fraud.

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Practice areas:

Criminal Law

Professional appointments:

Grade 4 prosecutor





R v Cheng – Arson with intent to endanger life. Non-English speaking defendant blowing up own home, represented by his son and McKenzie friend. Keenan & Ors 2006/8 - Operation Proportion, prosecuting 26 defendants for class A drugs supply.

R v Chapman & Ors – Operation Tea, conspiracy to commit armed robbery. R v Maisha Mohammed – Rare prosecution of Child Destruction under Infant Life Preservation Act 1929.

R v Bourke (from 1993) – Conviction Appeal in the Stockport MOT testers double murder.

R v Brooks – Multiple rapist. Blair & Ors – Double murder. Dowie & Ors – Operation Moth, Cocaine factory conspiracy.

Swellings & Ors 2007/8 – Neil acted for the youngest defendant, aged 15, in the Gary Newlove murder in Warrington, heard at Chester Crown Court, which resulted in an acquittal for his client

- R v Laurie Murder
- R v Halliday Murder 2008 R v Samuels Child sex abuse
- R v Miller Child sex abuse 2008 R v Butt Blackmail and explosives
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- R v Ryder et al Op. Wadden Conspiracy to rob
- R v Sampson et al Op. Recessed Conspiracy to rob
- R v Howarth et al Op. Agincourt Conspiracy to rob
- R v Dobson Historic rapes 2008/9 In re Baby A Baby shaking/Child neglect
- R v Cox Double murder
- R v Leon Smith Attempted murder/s.18 of police officer
- R v Dougill et al Large scale fraud on Eon
- R v Prince Large scale fraud on lottery winner 2
- R v Ahmed Complex Police Computer Misuse 2008/9 R v Aaron Coghlan Police assault
- R v Knox et al Ops Minister and Blythe Police corruption & Conspiracy to supply drugs
- R v Anderson and Lee Attempted murder

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