

Lee advises clients in health and safety, fire safety, general crime (including POCA), environmental, trading standards (including food and consumer protection), fraud, road traffic, licensing and professional disciplinary cases. These areas of law are very much complementary, allowing Lee to draw on expertise in one area of practice to inform his work in another, to the benefit of the client.

Lee has been instructed in matters of national significance, including the Gosport Independent Panel Review and a Public Inquiry following a fire involving multiple fatalities. Lee provides corporate support to solicitors who require assistance with due diligence and litigation, including document review, witness familiarisation and risk advice.

Lee is a member of the following practice teams in Chambers: Health & Safety; Business Crime and Financial Regulation; Regulatory; Criminal Law; Inquests; and, Professional Discipline.

He is authorised to represent members of the public under the 'Public Access' scheme. Lee is a Level 2 CPS prosecutor for general crime and is a Level 2 prosecutor on the CPS Specialist Panel Serious Crime Group list. He is also a member of the Health and Safety Executive's independent Disputes Panel for Fee for Intervention (FFI).

Prior to joining Lincoln House, Lee worked as a solicitor in some of the most highly regarded health and safety and regulatory crime teams in the country. His practice was strengthened by his academic achievements, obtaining a Distinction in a Master's Degree in Health and Safety and Environmental Law in 2012, and a First in a Fire Safety Law postgraduate course in 2013. He was recommended by Legal 500 for his health and safety work as a solicitor, most recently in 2017.

Notable Cases

Health and Safety

Lee has advised numerous individuals investigated for offences of gross negligence manslaughter and health and safety offences. Of those, two were prosecuted for health and safety offences, one following a fatal fall from height in a church and another following an explosion in a recycling plant, which led to a worker's death. Both defendants were acquitted. Lee advised a foreman investigated for health and safety offences and gross negligence manslaughter following a double fatality in a workplace. No further action was taken against him.

Lee has represented a range of corporate clients in health and safety investigations conducted by the HSE, and sentence hearings. He has advised numerous entities, including a chain of hostels, a construction company, a housing association and universities, regarding releases of asbestos.

He has also represented corporate clients and individuals investigated by local authorities, including a care home following serious injuries sustained by an elderly resident as a result of a fall onto a heater.

R v Sterecycle & Others
R v Love & Joy Ministries & Others

Inquests

Gosport Independent Panel (2017) (ongoing) – Lee has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Health, as Junior Counsel to Kate Blackwell QC in the Gosport Independent Panel. The panel has been constituted by the Minister to examine and report on historical events which relate to the care, treatment and deaths of patients of the Gosport War Memorial Hospital in Portsmouth.

Lee appeared as an advocate in an inquest following the death of a worker in compacting equipment. He has also appeared as an advocate in pre-inquest reviews in inquests touching the deaths of persons killed in workplace incidents investigated under health and safety legislation.

Grenfell Public Inquiry (2018) - Lee has been instructed by Government Legal Department to assist the Home Office with the disclosure exercise following the fire that occurred in 2017.

General Crime

Lee has appeared as an advocate in the Crown Court to represent defendants prosecuted for offences including robbery, violent disorder, assault, possession of offensive weapons, harassment, disclosing private sexual images (revenge porn), Class A drug offences and others.



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PRACTICE AREAS

Business Crime & Regulatory Crime
General Crime
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Administrative Law

EDUCATION

LLM (with Distinction)
MSc module in Fire Safety Law (First)
Qualified Lawyer's Transfer Test
Police Station Accreditation
Bar Vocational Course
LLB (Hons)

Fire Safety

Lee has advised a range of corporate clients and individuals for alleged breaches of fire safety legislation, including a national retailer with over 300 stores, numerous hospitals, schools and universities (including PFI projects) following significant building work and redevelopment and a landlord following a large fire in tenanted premises.

Environmental

Lee has appeared as an advocate in the Magistrates' Court in sentences for breaches of environmental permits by various companies. He has represented a range of corporate entities for environmental offences including a cosmetics manufacturer, a hazardous waste treatment company and three family run businesses and four family members in a significant prosecution by the Environment Agency for breaches of environmental permits and related offences.

R v Bloom & Others

Trading Standards, including food

Lee has represented many corporate client for offences investigated and prosecuted by Trading Standards. He has advised a publishing company regarding investigations into alleged breaches of the Business Protection from Misleading Marketing Regulations 2008 and Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations 2008, a food franchise based in an airport following a prosecution for food safety offences, a chain of restaurants following an outbreak of salmonella and another restaurant following a mouse infestation.

Fraud and POCA

Lee has appeared as an advocate in the Crown Court to prosecute and defend in POCA proceedings.

Road Traffic

Lee has represented numerous defendants in the Magistrates' Court for a range of road traffic offences.

Corporate Support

Lee has advised corporate teams in law firms, who were conducting due diligence during business sales and acquisitions, regarding regulatory crime and financial crime issues.



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