

Lucy specialises in criminal and regulatory law and has extensive experience in acting for both the Prosecution and Defence in cases of national interest. Lucy is often instructed in complex and serious cases of murder, corporate and gross negligence manslaughter, violence, large scale drug conspiracies, serious sexual offending, high value fraud offences and health and safety offences where there are multiple defendants and allegations.

Lucy regularly appears in cases involving vulnerable individuals. She has represented both vulnerable adults and children who have been charged in proceedings before the Crown Court for allegations across the spectrum of criminal law offences. Conversely, Lucy has experience of both Defending and Prosecuting in cases where the Complainant or a witness is vulnerable adult or a child.

Lucy is well known for her meticulous approach to case preparation. She is sought out by various instructing bodies, and leading counsel, for large volume cases where her efficiency and attention to detail is often credited as being a significant factor in the effective preparation of the case. Lucy is a robust and versatile advocate who strives to do the best for both her professional and lay client.

NOTABLE CASES

Drugs

Operation Horizon - Preston Crown Court. Led Junior for the Crown in prosecution of 17 defendants for a county lines conspiracy to supply large quantities of class A drugs from London into Cumbria.

Operation Lawson - Preston Crown Court. Defending one of ten defendants charged with conspiracy to supply multiple consignments of class A drugs from Merseyside OCG into Blackpool.

Operation Sequel - Preston Crown Court. Defending one of a number of defendants charged with conspiracy to supply class A drugs from Merseyside into Barrow

Operation Heliodor - Burnley Crown Court. Led Junior for the Crown in successful prosecution of seven defendants charged with conspiracy to supply class A drugs.

Operation Hive - Carlisle Crown Court. Defending one of six defendants charged with conspiracy to supply class A drugs in Carlisle. This case involved seizure of the largest ever single quantity of class A drugs recovered by Cumbria Police.

Sex

R v R - Preston Crown Court. Defending former Police Officer for serious sexual offending involving 9 year old child.

R v P - Preston Crown Court. Defending fairground ride operator in case concerning allegations of sexual offences involving an 8 year old child.

Operation Tigris - Preston Crown Court. Led Junior for the Crown in case with six defendants facing trial on an indictment concerning allegations of people trafficking; serious sexual offending, grooming and drug dealing.

R v O - Carlisle Crown Court. Defending a Doctor charged with abduction of his own children and attempting to remove them from the jurisdiction in an effort to prevent them being subjected to FGM by their Mother.



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PRACTICE AREAS

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CPS Advocate panel level 3

CPS Serious Organised Crime Panel Level 3

CPS Specialist fraud panel level 3

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R v M - Carlisle Crown Court. Defending in a case concerning multiple allegations of sexual abuse of a 14 year old girl.

R v B - Isleworth Crown Court. Defending in a case alleging multiple rapes of step-daughter by step-father.

R v G - Preston Crown Court. Defending youth charged with multiple counts of rape of a child.

R v J - Preston Crown Court. Defending in a case alleging the historic rape and sexual abuse of siblings by their brother.

Violence

R v W - Carlisle Crown Court. Defending a female for s.18 assault of her former partner with an axe.

R v M - Preston Crown Court. Defending a father charged with s.18 assault on his baby.

R v B - Hull Crown Court. Defending a serving prisoner accused of the attempted murder of his cell mate.

R v B - Preston Crown Court. Prosecution of a serving prisoner for s.18 assault of a prison officer.

R v C and others - Preston Crown Court. Successful prosecution of three employees of Calderstones Hospital for the abuse of a patient in their care.

Fraud/Money Laundering

Operation Finglas - Preston Crown Court. Led Junior for the Crown in successful prosecution by CPS/DVSA of five defendants charged with conspiracy to commit tachograph offences.

Operation Cronus - Preston Crown Court. Led Junior for the Crown in successful prosecution of five defendants charged with multiple offences under the Fraud Act where the amount defrauded was in excess of £1m.

R v S and J - Liverpool Crown Court. Led Junior for the Crown in successful prosecution of the Pro-Vice Chancellor of Edge Hill University and another for defrauding the University and the Department for Education of almost £3/4m.

R v S - Carlisle Crown Court. Successful prosecution of local land agent for 29 offences of fraud amounting to £1/2m.

Criminal Regulatory (please also see Regulatory CV)

R v PS – Representing a defendant in the criminal prosecution arising out of the Bosley Mill explosion. The offences to be tried involve allegations of corporate and gross negligence manslaughter together with s37 HSAWA1974.

Grenfell Tower Inquiry – Representing three clients involved in Phase 2 of the Inquiry.

R v GF- Leicester Crown Court. Led Junior for the Crown in proceedings alleging both corporate manslaughter and gross negligence manslaughter of two employees who had entered a road tanker containing pig feed.



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Call to the Bar: 2011

R v EN - Bradford Crown Court. Led Junior for one of 14 Defendants charged in Trading Standards prosecution alleging conspiracies to defraud and the subsequent money laundering of approximately £14m.

R v KM - Representing a Director in proceedings brought by the Insolvency Service for offences of fraudulently removing circa. £200,000 in anticipation of the winding up of a company and acting in contravention of a disqualification undertaking

HSE v DNA – Representing a director after an employee’s fall from height.



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