# Mia Monahan

Call to Bar: 2023



Mia Monahan is a tenant at Lincoln House Chambers, with a fast-developing criminal practice across the Magistrates' Court and Crown Court.

Mia is a determined and thoughtful advocate who takes a thorough approach to preparation and pays close attention to detail. She places importance on understanding each client's individual circumstances, combining a personable manner with direct, robust advice. She is particularly adept at establishing rapport with vulnerable clients and those who may be difficult to engage.

Mia has a particular strength in mitigation, especially in cases where the defendant is at risk of immediate custody. She prepares carefully considered submissions, identifying the factors most likely to influence the court and seeking the best possible outcome. Her previous experience in policing also informs her practical and analytical approach to criminal cases.

Mia is particularly drawn to cases involving drugs offences, serious violence, acquisitive crime and defendants with mental health difficulties. She is mindful of the additional considerations these cases can raise, both in terms of a defendant's ability to participate effectively in proceedings and the appropriate approach to sentence.

She approaches evidential issues with particular care, scrutinising the material available, from witness accounts and expert evidence to audio-visual material and custody records, to identify weaknesses, inconsistencies and issues requiring further investigation

Before coming to the Bar, Mia served as a Special Constable with West Midlands Police alongside her university studies, gaining experience in evidence gathering, interviewing and dealing with vulnerable individuals in challenging situations.

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Crime

## Professional appointments:

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Mia also represented members of the Cleaners & Allied Independent Workers Union (CAIWU) in disciplinary and employment matters, advising members, presenting cases at hearings and negotiating outcomes. She was successful in the Michael Corkery QC Criminal Law Moot.

Alongside her criminal practice, Mia has an interest in regulatory and professional disciplinary work. Her experience with West Midlands Police and CAIWU, together with observing Interim Orders Tribunal hearings during pupillage, has developed her understanding of regulatory frameworks and professional disciplinary proceedings.

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