



# Patrick Upward KC

Year of call: 1972 | Year of silk: 1996

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## About

Patrick is a highly experienced practitioner who specialises in defending cases involving murder and manslaughter. After years prosecuting high-profile cases involving terrorism and serious fraud, Patrick specialises in defending homicides where he combines a meticulous approach with an ability to put defendants at their ease. He devotes time and attention to evidential detail on the long-held principle that time spent in reconnaissance is seldom wasted. He has a good network of expert witnesses and a strong knowledge of firearms and ammunition. Patrick prides himself on his ability to communicate with defendants, giving them the time they need and helping them remain calm despite the serious charges they may face. He believes in taking time to support the family of a defendant helping them stay aware of what is happening during a period of difficulty and stress. Patrick is also a recorder with both criminal and civil jurisdiction, and a tribunal judge with the mental health review tribunal. Interests Patrick teaches advocacy at the University of Hertfordshire

## Practice Areas

- International Law
- Business Crime
- Criminal Law

## Languages

- English

## Appointments

Recorder (criminal and civil jurisdiction)

Tribunal judge with mental health review tribunal

Master of the Bench, Inner Temple

## Cases of note

### **R v S, 2017**

*Attempted murder/Section 18, in which the defendant eviscerated his victim with a machete. Not guilty both counts.*

### **R v F, 2016**

*A Royal Marine charged with fraud and theft and possession of 500 rounds of rifle ammunition. Not guilty on all counts Truro Crown Court.*

### **R v B, 2016**

*Wood Green Crown Court. Attempted murder/Section 18. A North London street gang stabbing. Not guilty on all counts.*

### **R v Baker, 2016**

*Attempted murder, in which the victim was stabbed 46 times. Snaresbrook Crown Court.*

### **R v M, 2016**

*Gross negligence and manslaughter, whereby the victim was killed by mechanical digger guilty, sentence*

*suspended. Wolverhampton Crown Court.*

**R v K, 2016**

*Murder, the victim shot in care home by husband who was found not guilty of murder and sentenced to a hospital order. Chelmsford Crown Court.*

**R v B, 2016**

*Murder, in which the victim was beaten to death. Client found not guilty of murder, guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to a hospital order. Winchester Crown Court.*

**R v F, 2016**

*Murder, in which the victim was stabbed 8 times by neighbour. Found guilty of manslaughter 13 years imprisonment. Inner London Crown Court.*

**R v C, 2016**

*The victim, a suspected paedophile, was stabbed. Chelmsford Crown Court.*

**R v R, 2016**

*Victim was beaten to death. Winchester Crown Court.*

**R v L, 2015**

*Historical child sex offences. Guilty and sentenced to 23 years imprisonment. Southwark Crown Court.*

**R v R, 2015**

*Victim was driven over 6 times with a large Mercedes. Defendant sentenced to life imprisonment. Chelmsford Crown Court.*

**R. v. C, 2014**

*Murder of one identical twin by the other. Winchester Crown Court.*

**R. v. I, 2013**

*Cage fighter acquitted of murder. Maidstone Crown Court.*

**R. v. S and others, 2013**

*Substantial fraud involving stolen scrap metal. Acquitted of all charges. Oxford Crown Court.*

**R. v. N, 2013**

*Attempted contract killing. Victim survived. Acquitted on all charges.*

**R. v. A, 2012**

*Contract killing. Central Criminal Court.*

**R. v. H and another, 2012**

*Billion dollar negotiable instrument fraud. Southwark Crown Court.*

**R. v. G and others, 2012**

*Drugs conspiracy involving transport of heroin through British Army bases in Germany. Manchester Crown Court.*

**R. v. A and others, 2012**

*Unprovoked attack on a man at night. Acquitted of manslaughter. Central Criminal Court.*

**R. v. K and another, 2012**

*Money laundering Colombian drug funds. Southwark Crown Court.*

**R. v. A, 2011**

*Rape, s.18 and child cruelty. Acquitted of all charges. Blackfriars Crown Court.*

**R. v. R and others, 2011**

*Conspiracy to import drugs by the ton from Columbia. Acquitted of all charges. Central Criminal Court.*

**R. v. A and others, 2009 2012**

*Known as the Airline Bombers Case. The defendant was acquitted of the main charge of conspiracy to destroy aircraft. Woolwich Crown Court.*

**R. v. Brown and others, 2008**

*Known as the Lakeland Terrorist Training camp case. B was acquitted. Woolwich Crown Court.*

**R. v. H and others, 2014**

*Corporate manslaughter and health and safety offences. Acquitted of manslaughter.*

**R. v. H, 2014**

*Multi-million investment fraud. Southwark Crown Court.*