I have instructed Paul Addison for over 15 years. During that time I have found him to be professional in all aspects of his work. He is an excellent advocate who is incredibly thorough, providing advice on all aspects of the case in which he is briefed. Paul is an individual who has very good client care and empathy dealing with clients and family in a compassionate way. Paul has had some excellent results in those cases in which I have briefed him and has shown that his advocacy skills have impressed clients and juries alike.

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About

Paul Addison is a very able and experienced barrister. He was called to the Bar in 1988. He is briefed in a wide range of criminal, confiscation, landlord and tenant and civil matters. He prosecutes and defends and is on the RASSO, fraud and serious crime group advocate panels. He has been briefed as leading junior counsel for both the defence and prosecution in a wide variety of serious cases. He was nominated as an A list counsel on the Attorney Generals (Crime) Panel of advocates. He has defended and prosecuted in cases of murder, serious assaults, serious allegations of sexual offences, high profile drugs and firearm cases and allegations of dishonesty. He has also been briefed in a variety of frauds such as large scale banking and consumer fraud. His practice has included Regulatory work concerning the Medicines Acts and associated European Directives. Paul has received judicial, professional and lay client praise for his work. He creates excellent rapport with clients and provides a first class service. He has a reputation as a good lawyer. He has lectured to the Crown Prosecution Service, City of London Police Fraud Section and the Medicines Healthcare Regulatory Agency on a wide range of topics. Paul is qualified to accept instructions under the Bar Council Direct Public Access to Barristers Scheme and has an extension to his practicing certificate to litigate.

Cases of note


R v T and others Southwark Crown Court 2000
Leading junior in then largest credit card factory involving organised Russian criminals in which a complete credit card could be produced. (prosecution)
R v C 2003 Southwark Crown Court
Computer based denial of service attack on the Port of Houston, Texas, USA, main frame server. All river transport was brought to a halt. Joint FBI and Metropolitan Police investigation. Defendant suffered from Asberger syndrome.

R. v. M [2004] Criminal L.R. 373, Court of Appeal
Authority in rape cases on the definition of sexual activity and Section 41 YJCE Act 1999. Conviction successfully appealed in Court of Appeal. The case is cited in Archbold 2018 8-249.

R v K [2008] EWCA Crim 2817 Court of Appeal
The trial Judge should direct jury on effect of breaches of disclosure rules by investigators from HM Customs and Excise. (defence). The case is cited in Archbold 2018 12-80.

R v I 2013 Snaresbrook Crown Court
Discharge of firearms into private occupied dwellings in tit-for-tat gang related firearms dispute. (prosecution)

R v S and Others Cambridge Crown Court 2014
Leading junior defending in a multiple bank ram-raid conspiracy valued in excess of 1 million.

R v A and Others Central Criminal Court 2015
Leading junior prosecuting multi-million cross-territorial bank card skimming conspiracy. The case consisted of over 75,000 documents.

R v D and Others 2017
Central Criminal Court. 4 handed drug supply gang and joint possession of a loaded Uzi sub machine gun. (Prosecution)

R v L Isleworth Crown Court 2017
Rape allegation in which there was an unusual defence legal argument concerning autrefois convict. (Prosecution)

R v M and B Inner London Crown Court 2017
Campaign of aggravated burglaries against lone female occupants. Disguises and violence used. One defendant sentenced to 19 years imprisonment. (Prosecution)

R v K Inner London 2018
Junior to John Price QC in a 25 count indictment of historic child sexual abuse case. Defendant sentenced to life imprisonment. (Prosecution)