



## Patrick Canessa ED

Year of call: 2007

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### About

Patrick hails from Gibraltar. He was called to the bar in England and Wales and in Gibraltar 2007 and is a member of the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple. His workload is predominately criminal defence. Patrick accepts instructions in all areas of criminal law and has also acted on behalf of construction companies in health and safety matters. Patrick is the Honorary Consul for Italy in Gibraltar, a member of the Royal Gibraltar Yacht Club and Honourable Artillery Company.

The Open University LLB (Hons) 2:1

The College of Law London BVC

Spanish (Fluent)

Italian (Intermediate)

### Cases of note

#### **R v Celecia [Supreme Court of Gibraltar]**

*Attempted Murder. It took a 7 to 2 majority to convict.*

#### **R v L [Gibraltar Supreme Court]**

*Rape, two counts. One count withdrawn following half-time submission. Second count unanimous not guilty verdict.*

#### **Regina v A and another [Gibraltar Supreme Court]**

*Defendant was 14 at the time of the offence. Secured not guilty verdict in an allegation of robbery involving an imitation gun.*

**X v Regina [Gibraltar Court of Appeal]**

*Sexual assault of a child under the age of 13. The defendant was 17 years old at the time of the offence the defendant suffers from a complex disorder involving autism spectrum condition and ADHD. Sentence of 2 years imprisonment quashed and substituted with a 3 year Community Order.*

**R v Smith and others [Gibraltar Supreme Court]**

*Fraud. Ponzi scheme. Not guilty verdicts following half time submissions.*