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# Richard Mohabir

Year of call: 2009 | Year of silk:

## About

Richard has a busy Defence practice representing clients in a broad spectrum of criminal matters across all courts. He is regularly instructed, both privately and publicly in cases involving serious violence, sexual offences, drug offences, identity document fraud, general fraud, confiscation, and driving offences. Renowned for his strong client care, Richard ensures that those he represents are fully informed and advised throughout proceedings. His clear and persuasive court manner resonates with both judges and juries, while his skill in working with vulnerable witnesses and expertise in matters involving mental health and the proceeds of crime further distinguish his practice. In addition to his criminal work, Richard accepts instructions in a range of private civil matters. Before being called to the Bar, Richard gained extensive experience in criminal litigation while working in the criminal department of a busy High Street solicitors firm, where he handled cases from the Youth Court through to the Court of Appeal.

## Practice Areas

- Business Crime
- Civil Law
- Criminal Law

## Languages

- English

## Professional Memberships

Criminal Bar Association

Middle Temple

## Education and Languages

LLB Law (Hons)  Nottingham Trent University

Bar Vocational Course  Nottingham Law School

## Cases of note

**R v Layne (2015)**

*Inner London Crown Court  successful unanimous acquittal of three rape counts after a 5 day trial. Included threats to kill with knives and prolonged detention.*

**R v Francis (2015)**

*Croydon Crown Court  Two counts of sexual assault (acquittal) and two counts of sexual activity of a child under 16. Involved the cross-examination of a child witness.*

**R v Jethwa and Ors (2015)**

*Southwark Crown Court  ABH and common assault (acquittals) of security guards in KFC, Leicester Square. Successful submission of no case to answer and not guilty pleas entered.*

**R v Jinjika (2014)**


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*Oxford Crown Court  Six benefit fraud (totalling over 100,000) and two identity document counts. Involved a mentally ill Defendant.*

**R v Osman (2014)**

*Kingston Crown Court (privately funded)  Threats to kill (acquittal) wife with a knife in the presence of their children.*

**R v Alaka and Other (2013)**

*Basildon Crown Court  Mortgage fraud of over 200,000. Persuaded the Prosecution to offer no evidence.*

**R v Pennycook (2013)**

*Woolwich Crown Court  Possession of an offensive weapon (acquittal) to scare children aged between 10  15. Involved the cross-examination of an 11 and 13 year old.*

**R v Brooks (2013)**

*Central Criminal Court  Possession with intent to supply cannabis. Involved a strong application of the R v Twist rules relating to mobile telephone evidence.*

**Gabriel Withers and Ors v Nachelle Crowther (2013)**

*Croydon County Court  Infant settlement hearing in relation to payment for injuries in a road traffic accident.*

**Police v Al-Mousawi (2014)**

*Westminster Magistrates Court  Cash forfeiture of over 50,000.*

**The Judicial Authority of Poland v Marcin Pulik (2014)**

*Westminster Magistrates Court  Article 8 right to a family life argument.*