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About

Mohammed is a dedicated criminal defence advocate with a busy and varied practice. He regularly represents clients in the Crown Court, defending against the most serious allegations, including gang-related crime, drug offences, firearms charges, grievous bodily harm, fraud, and serious sexual offences, including those of a historic nature. Recognised for being hardworking, analytical, and fearless in court, Mohammed is also valued for his meticulous preparation and ability to deliver clear, persuasive advocacy. He combines a practical, no-nonsense approach with genuine empathy for his clients, ensuring they feel supported throughout the process. His strong communication skills make him equally effective with professional clients and juries alike. Mohammed sits as a Fee-paid Judge of the First-Tier Tribunal, assigned to the Immigration and Asylum Chamber.

Practice Areas

- Criminal Law

Languages

- English
- Urdu
- Panjabi, Western
- Panjabi, Eastern

Qualifications

LLB Law

BVC Inns of Court School of Law

Cases of note

R v S 2025 Snaresbrook Crown Court

Sole acquittal in Encrochat case. The Crowns case involved 100,000 pages of used and unused served evidence of daily contact on encrypted phones between co conspirators over a 3-year period. The case required a thorough analysis of the messages and conversations between alleged co-conspirators to undermine the Crowns assertion the Defendant was an integral part of the conspiracy. After analysing the evidence Counsel made detailed submissions to the Court resulting in the Crown reviewing the case and offering no evidence.

R v 2023 Luton Crown Court

Stranger Rape of a vulnerable person met online by the Defendant. The Defendant was acquitted by the jury within 45 minutes.

R v Y 2023 and 2025 Leicester Crown Court

Trial and re-trial of three Defendants charged with rape and kidnap of a stranger. The case involved multiple types of evidence both eyewitness and electronic. On both listings of the trial, Counsel was able to undermine the Crowns principal case that there was a sexual motive behind the kidnapping resulting in a single conviction for kidnapping. The Case was subsequently reported in the Court of Appeal.

R v MC 2024 Stafford Crown Court

Multi-handed County Line conspiracy to supply Class A drugs in the county of Staffordshire over a 2-year period. The case involved in excess of 50,000 pages of telephone evidence illustrating movements of employees within

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the drugs conspiracy between London and Stafford. As a result of Counsels detailed examination of the evidence the Defendants involvement in the overall conspiracy was minimised to a few days and the lowest sentence of all conspirators was passed against the Defendant.

R v DB 2025 Guildford Crown Court

Defendant charged with multiple counts of historic partner rape involving intentional drugging, controlling and coercive behaviour as well as theft and domestic violence. The Crowns case centred around psychiatric evidence as well as social media contact between the Defendant and his partner. Through careful and gentle cross examination Counsel was able to undermine the Crowns case resulting in a limited conviction of the Defendant.

R v K 2023 Luton Crown Court

Historic Sexual abuse and rape of a young family member.

R v C 2022 Cambridge Crown Court

Familial sexual abuse over a period of 18 years.

R v T - 2019 Central Criminal Court

Junior Counsel representing a Defendant allegedly involved in Perverting the Course of Justice after an alleged gangland murder.

R v H - 2018, 2019 Snaresbrook Crown Court

Operation Deghvard. Junior Counsel during a trial involving 11 Defendants charged with a Conspiracy to Commit Grievous Bodily Harm. The case centred around historical and ongoing gang rivalries and involved the analysis of complex GPS vehicle data and phone data.

R v B and Otrs - 2019 Southwark Crown Court

Operation Hipsometer, Leading Counsel in a complex multi layered trial involving the specialised theft and dismantling of over 200 vehicles valued in total at over 1 million. The Defendant was alleged to have been a significant and central element to the ringing and concealment of vehicle identities and parts along with their onward sale and concealment as well as arranging for the vehicles to be moved to and from across the United Kingdom.

R v I and Otrs - 2017 Southwark Crown Court

Leading Andrew Kerr in a lengthy multi-handed trial involved in the organised theft of vehicles valued in the region of 1.2 million. Defendants used cloned car keys, false number plates, forged vehicle documentation, surveillance of targets and hi-tech computer technology to steal luxury vehicles. The case was reported in the Daily Mail.

R v A A and Otrs - 2017, Reading Crown Court

Multi-handed violent fight between gangs of boys resulting in a stabbing. Client was acquitted after a successful submission of no case to answer surrounding issues of identification and participation.

R v F - April 2016

Successful reduction in sentence involving submissions on the correct approach to written bases of pleas, offender mitigation and credit by crown court judges.

R v P - April 2016

Successful appeal against the sentence of Truro Crown Courts incorrect imposition of an indeterminate life sentence when the correct sentence should have been a determinate sentence. As reported on ITV.

DWP v A D

Selling of fake Viagra and associated confiscation proceedings, reported in The Sun.

R v D T and Otrs

Murder of Olu Olagbaju in Shadans nightclub December 2006, reported in the Evening Standard.

RCPO v L M

Prosecuted Importation of Class A drugs in luggage.

R v A & A

Student loan fraud valued at 175,000 and ongoing confiscation proceedings.

R v S

Dealing of drugs to undercover officers and test purchase officers in Lewes over a two-year period.

DWP v L

Benefit fraud by a young mother over a two-year period totaling 3,000

DWP v B L

Council tax and housing benefit fraud by an elderly lady over a 20-year period.

R v D and Otrs 2012 (Junior Counsel)

Largest ever conspiracy to produce cannabis.

R v M - 17th May 2013, Luton Crown Court

High-profile acquittal in a wilful neglect case involving an Alzheimers patient left overnight in a Council bus, reported in The Mirror.

R v S A - 2013, Teeside Crown Court

1 million mortgage fraud.

R v P - 2014 Harrow Crown Court

Acquittal of delivery driver allegedly involved in the importation of heroin in rice sacks from India.

R v A - 2014 Bristol Crown Court

Acquittal after a seven-week trial of a clearing agent alleged to have been the central figure in a network of importations of drugs into the West and South East of England.

Akhtar v Linford Christie - 2014

Personal injury claim arising out a road traffic accident valued at 1 million approx, as reported in The Guardian.

Homes for Haringey v Barbara and Piper Fari [2013] EWHC 3477 (QB) and [2013] EWHC 3623 (QB) in the High Court (QBD)

Contempt of court case, where the court imposed a custodial sentence on both a wife and husband for outrageously exaggerating the wifes personal injury claims. The case attracted wide media attention, including in the Evening Standard, and it remains one of the few cases of its kind.

Quotes

"[Mohammed's] clear and sensible guidance helped us understand every part of the process, no matter how complex it may have been. [He] answered every question we had, no matter how small, and [his] patience and thorough explanations ensured that we felt completely informed and as confident as possible. [Mohammed's] warmth and humour made a lasting impression, and [his] personable approach made us feel at ease, even under the most distressing circumstances."

Simply the best; a barrister with depth of knowledge, sharp intellect, and able to think outside the box. Fearless and presents every argument with confidence, reassuring, and clients could not ask for more.
Cosmas Dikeocha, Solicitor