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About

Guy is a very able criminal practitioner who accepts instructions in the Crown Court, Magistrates Court and Youth Court. He is a confident and composed advocate who always puts his lay clients at ease. Described by Kings Counsel as extremely thorough and strategic Guy is a popular choice with solicitors and his strong communication skills are reassuring to professional and lay clients alike. His attention to detail has resulted in successful abuse of process arguments in a significant number of cases and he is also regularly instructed to draft pre and post charge submissions to the CPS which have resulted in the discontinuance of a number of prosecutions. Guy has represented clients across the full spectrum of criminal offences including assaults, drugs offences, stalking, public order maters, drugs offences, dishonesty offences and serious sexual offences. He has also represented clients in extradition cases. With over a decade of experience serving as a lay magistrate in North London, Guy brings an exceptional understanding of how cases are assessed, managed and decided at first instance. This perspective enables him to anticipate judicial concerns, tailor submissions effectively, and communicate with clarity and purpose. Before coming to the Bar, Guy enjoyed a successful career as an IT consultant, advising businesses and charities on the implementation of complex enterprise software systems. He now applies this analytical, problem-solving expertise to his criminal practice, particularly in cases involving digital evidence. Guy is committed to achieving the best possible outcome for every client and is quickly earning a reputation as a dependable, talented advocate.

Practice Areas

- Criminal Law

Languages

- English

Memberships

The Honourable Society of Lincolns Inn
The Criminal Bar Association

Qualifications

MA Natural Sciences, University of Cambridge
Graduate Diploma in Law, City University
LLM Bar Vocational Studies, City University (Distinction)

Cases of note

R v Painter and others

Secured an acquittal on two counts of robbery following a nine-day trial at Isleworth Crown Court. A complex four-defendant case involving conflicting accounts, late disclosure and disputed evidence, with all four defendants ultimately acquitted.

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R v Fry and others

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Secured a not guilty verdict in an affray case at Luton Crown Court. A successful half-time submission of no case to answer, involving complex legal arguments concerning the timing and coincidence of the elements of the actus reus.

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