



Ellen Wright

YEAR OF CALL: 2017

EXPERTISE

Ellen is building a very busy practice in all areas of criminal law both prosecuting and defending. She appears in the Crown, Youth and Magistrates' Courts on a wide range of matters and has represented clients charged with a variety of offences including attempted robbery, possession with intent to supply controlled drugs, fraud and witness intimidation. Ellen also has experience in dealing with Sexual Risk Orders and Criminal Behaviour Orders. She has an excellent rapport with the clients she represents and has received praise from both solicitors and judges for her calm manner, persuasive advocacy abilities and attention to detail.

In addition to her criminal practice, Ellen accepts instructions through the Attorney-General's Junior Panel (formerly the Treasury Solicitor's Baby Barrister Panel) and undertakes work for the Ministry of Defence, the Home Office and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. Ellen is currently engaged in a significant and highly sensitive regulatory investigation for a band 1, white-collar crime firm.

NOTABLE CASES

R v S (2019) – Represented Defendant charged with assault, theft and criminal damage said to have occurred during a road rage incident. The Defendant was acquitted of all the charges against him despite evidence from two prosecution witnesses, photographic evidence of damage to the victim's car and an acceptance of presence at the scene.

R v F (2019) – Acquittal of Defendant charged with driving with excess alcohol despite evidence from two police officers who both alleged seeing the Defendant drive the vehicle and an acceptance by the Defendant that he had consumed alcohol.

R v A (2018) – Bad character evidence in respect of the Defendant was successfully excluded prior to his trial for witness intimidation. The Defendant was subsequently acquitted of the charge of witness intimidation at trial notwithstanding evidence from two prosecution witnesses.

R v C (2018) - Represented Defendant convicted of his second offence of possessing an offensive weapon at sentence and successfully excluded a drill rap video that the Prosecution sought to rely upon as evidence of gang involvement. The Defendant received one month above the mandatory minimum custodial term despite being convicted after trial.

R v H (2018) - Successfully argued for the removal of a bladed article condition from a Criminal Behaviour Order against a youth who was convicted of possession with intent to supply Class A drugs.

R v H (2018) - Acquittal of Defendant charged with two racially aggravated public order offences relating to two separate incidents.

R v D (2018) - Prosecuted an unsuccessful defence application to reduce a driving disqualification period following the Defendant's completion of a 6-year custodial sentence for death by dangerous driving.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

The Honourable Society of Inner Temple
Criminal Bar Association
Young Fraud Lawyers Association

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QUALIFICATIONS

CPS Level 1
CBA Award for Excellence in Advocacy
The Rachel Lawrence Prize (The Inner Temple)
BPTC, Very Competent (BPP London)
Inner Temple Exhibition Award
LLM, Distinction (Teesside University)
The Ian Pennock Award for Excellence in Law
LLB (Hons), First Class (Teesside University)

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