

Yasmin Ford

Yasmin represents defendants in the Youth Court, Magistrates' Court, and Crown Court, acting in cases involving a broad range of criminal offences.

Yasmin joined Chambers as a tenant following the successful completion of her pupillage.

Yasmin read Law with Criminology at the University of Brighton, where she also participated in the Innocence Programme.

Yasmin has been described as someone who "will always do their best for the client and remain professional no matter the circumstances". Those who instruct Yasmin have been "impressed with her attention to detail and thorough approach". Yasmin is quick to instil trust in both professional and lay clients. Yasmin has been praised for her compassion and powerful advocacy skills.

Notable cases

R v G - Reading Magistrates Court [2023]: persuaded the Crown Prosecution Service to offer no evidence on a charge of going equipped by pointing out the weaknesses in the Crown's case, the circumstantial evidence, and the likelihood of a half-time submission. The defendant was subsequently released from custody.

R v M - Stevenage Magistrates Court [2023]: successfully argued that it would be unjust to activate a suspended sentence by highlighting the client's engagement with probation, his mental health issues, and his personal circumstances. The defendant had entered a guilty plea to an offence committed during the operational period of the suspended sentence order, therefore putting him in breach.

R v M - Highbury Corner Magistrates Court [2024]: secured the acquittal of a client charged with common assault. The Court accepted the client's defence of self-defence, despite being the one to attend the complainant's property.

R v S - Willesden Magistrates Court [2024]: successfully argued that a psychiatric report was admissible for use at trial as it went to the subjective limb of the test for self-defence.

R v H - Bromley Magistrates Court [2024]: secured the acquittal of a vulnerable client charged with criminal damage, threatening another with an offensive weapon and common assault.

Qualifications

LLB (Hons) Law with Criminology, University of Brighton, First Class (2019) LLM BPTC, University of Law, Distinction and Very Competent (2020)

Professional Associations

The Honourable Society of the Inner Temple Young Fraud Lawyers Association Women in Criminal Law