

Curriculum Vitae

George Zachary

Called 2005

Glasgow University - MA (Hons) Philosophy - 1998-2002
Universidad de Sevilla, Spain - ERASMUS exchange 2000-2001
London Metropolitan University - CPE (Distinction) (2003)
Inns of Court School of Law - BVC - (Very Competent) - (2004)
Called 2005 Middle Temple

Expertise

Defending

- Allegations of homicide, serious violence and firearm offences
- Allegations of serious sexual offences.
- Allegations of conspiracy to defraud.

Notable Cases

Set out below is a selection of cases in which George Zachary has been involved recently, it should not be regarded as exhaustive.

FRAUD

R v W [2011] Junior counsel defending large car-ringing conspiracy, acting for Defendant who was acquitted of conspiracy, and received a community order for money-laundering.

R v L [2010] Allegation of fraud in abuse of trust by defendant amounting to nearly £1m.

MURDER AND OTHER OFFENCES OF SERIOUS VIOLENCE

R v T [2013] Junior counsel in respect of one of two defendants accused of murder. Case involved analysis of large amount of unused CCTV and specialised expert evidence. Identified previously unobserved aspect of footage, which led to a review of the expert opinion as to when the deceased was fatally wounded. As a result both defendants were exonerated and no evidence was offered.

R v B [2010] Junior counsel for defendant (with a previous murder conviction from Spain) accused of murder and threats to kill. Dealt with advocacy regarding cell-site and DNA analysis.

R v A [2013] Allegations of child cruelty and neglect by defendant with exceptionally low intelligence requiring the assistance of an intermediary and expert evidence.

R v M [2010] Youth defendant alleged to have committed s.18 wounding with intent, acquitted.

R v B [2010] S.18 wounding with intent, group assault involving youths.

R v C [2009] Successfully defended taxi driver who was acquitted of stabbing co-worker

R v D [2008] S.18 and s.20 assault in the street. Defendant acquitted of s.20 and case dismissed in respect of s.18

FIREARMS

R v Y [2013] Secured a community order for a youth defendant who pleaded guilty to robbery with an imitation firearm.

R v S [2012] Allegation of armed robbery of cash in transit van. Accused admitted robbery but was acquitted of possessing an imitation firearm. Subsequent sentence successfully appealed and reduced from 12 year extended sentence to a 7 year determinate sentence.

DRUGS

R v C [2013] Allegation of cultivation of cannabis on commercial scale.

SERIOUS SEXUAL OFFENCES

R v C [2011] Allegation of series of rapes and theft against two women, one of whom with significant personality disorder and mental health records. Defendant acquitted of all sexual offences.

R v S [2011] Allegation of sexual activity with a child.

R v B [2011] Defendant accused of serious sexual assault against step-granddaughter, acquitted of all charges.

COURTS MARTIAL

The Queen v P [2009]

Allegations of serious sexual offence against two serving soldiers, both of whom were acquitted.

To Note/Other

Fluent in Spanish, working knowledge of French and Portuguese, conversational Arabic.

Computer literate and experienced in electronic evidence presentation.

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