



## Practice

Alex now practices exclusively within the field of criminal defence. He used to work at a locally based firm of solicitors in North London before practicing as a barrister. Whilst working as a solicitor in north London the firm he used to work for were actively involved in the community during the Broadwater Farm disturbances and represented a number of young men arrested during that time. His experiences during that time galvanised his commitment and determination to ensure that those most disadvantaged in the community received the best quality representation available.

Having come to the Bar in 1988 and called in 1989 he initially practiced in a wide range of areas such as civil actions against the police, family law, immigration and housing. Over the many years of practice Alex has begun to specialise his areas of practice and now works exclusively within the field of criminal law.

Although based in London Alex practices throughout the country and has dealt with many trials in the Midlands, Liverpool, Manchester, Bristol, Leeds, Cardiff, and the southern counties.

Alex has represented many inner city youth charged with firearms offences and murder. He has represented members of well known rival groups in Birmingham securing acquittals for members of both side of the disputes. Having represented many people living in Toxteth, Moss Side, Handsworth, Brixton, Harlseden, Tottenham, Hackney, the docks in Cardiff, as well as inner city areas in Leeds, Coventry and Nottingham, Alex has gained a wealth of experience in criminal cases arising from disputes occurring in inner city areas. Alex has represented members of well known and aspiring music groups such as So Solid, K2 Family, Big Brothers,

Alex has been practicing for over 20 years and now regularly acts as leading counsel as well as being lead on many high profile cases. He was recently lead on the Amy Leigh Barnes Murder trial in Manchester during which various premiership footballers were called as witnesses and which attracted national press coverage. He was also junior counsel in another high profile murder case in Manchester concerning a dental nurse who was alleged to have murdered her boyfriends wife. In Birmingham he was junior counsel in numerous murder and attempted murder trials in which members of the Burger Boys and Johnson crew were accused of murder. Recently he has represented younger defendants accused of being members of the Slash Money Crew or Slash. In London Alex has represented many individuals alleged to have gang affiliations.

In stark contrast to a predominance of violent offences Alex has also lead many cases where people have been charged with the importation and distribution of large quantities of drugs. Similarly the development of the SOCA has meant that many of the cases in which Alex is instructed in involve well organised groups of alleged offenders charged with Conspiracy to kidnap, robbery, deception and fraud. Alex has a wide area of practice within the field of criminal law ranging from serious sexual offences to VAT fraud, people trafficking and Arson.

## Other activities

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1989

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## Barrister profile

# Alex Taylor-Camara



Alex has attended local inner city schools and community centres to talk to children about how the law affects them on the street and has assisted in numerous mentor schemes, targeting disadvantaged young black youths.

### **Other interests**

Football, cricket and athletics.

### **Societies**

Society of Black Lawyers.

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