



Practice

Michael specialises in all areas of criminal work. He has particular expertise defending serious cases such as armed robberies, manslaughter, murder, public order disturbances and large scale importation of drugs. Michael also has experience in defending in complex fraud, ie banking frauds involving international agencies, mortgage frauds, DSS frauds in which he has defended both professional and lay clients.

Michael has a special interest in all issues affecting human rights. He has particular expertise in those issues affecting minority communities. His experience to date means that he is well versed to undertake cases using the Human Rights Act.

Michael has led in many of the serious cases that he has been instructed in.

Recent Crown Court Cases

R v Sharpe, Isleworth Crown Court, 2010. Instructed as leading junior. An historic sexual abuse allegation. The defendant faced a 22 count indictment including, Rape, False Imprisonment, Grievous Bodily Harm and Assault Occasioning Actual Bodily Harm

R v Pun, Ipswich Crown Court, 2010. Instructed as a leading junior. Multi handed trial, large scale conspiracy to breach Trade Mark and Copyright of the owner without consent. The prosecution case was that the defendant was involved in the importation of counterfeit goods from the Far East into the United Kingdom.

R v Hamilton, Liverpool Crown Court, 2010. "Operation Greenage" Instructed as a leading junior. Multi handed case split into several trials. Prosecution case was that it was the largest detected conspiracy to import Class A drugs and Firearms into the United Kingdom from Holland to the North West of England.

Trial at Southwark Crown Court, 2010. "Operation Tartrate". Multi handed case split into two trials. Large scale conspiracy to import cigarettes from Eastern Europe into United Kingdom leading to the evasion of £9million of duty.

R v Wilson, Central Criminal Court. Murder and conspiracy to supply heroin. Represented principal defendant of a Jamaican gang involved in supplying heroin in West London. Case investigated by officers from Operation Trident.

R v Gunduz, Woolwich Crown Court. Blackmail. Represented a defendant who was involved in criminal activity in the Kurdish/Turkish community in Green Lanes North London. The defendant was alleged to be a member of organised crime in the Turkish/Kurdish community.

R v Wright, Norwich Crown Court, conspiracy to cause grievous bodily harm with intent. Represented a defendant who was charged with setting up the victim to get a serious beating as a result of a local feud.

R v Fletcher, Birmingham Crown Court. Murder and a series of armed robberies. High profile case. Defendant engaged in a series of armed robberies in the Midlands that culminated in the death of a young man who was merely passing at the time of the robbery. He had witnessed the armed robbery and was shot

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outside a building society in Birmingham City Centre.

R v Lancaster Inner London, sexual assault

R v Wilkinson, Kingston Crown Court, a series of Securicor cash in transit robberies in South East England, that was investigated by the Flying Squad

R v Brown, Central Criminal Court. Murder. Drug related incident, the defendant had been set up by his friend who organised an attack upon him where he had to use a knife to defend himself which led to the death of one of his attackers

R v Reid, Birmingham Crown Court, largest organised importation of cannabis from Holland into the West Midlands (Birmingham)

R v Lubango, Central Criminal Court, murder. Argument on the bus that led to the stabbing to death of a youth.

R v Thanabalasingham, Portsmouth Crown Court, rape. The defendant and his co-accused's case was that the complainant had consented to sexual intercourse.

R v Watson, Birmingham Crown Court, Birmingham race riot case, between members of the Afro- Caribbean and Asian community. Represented one of the main defendants a prominent member of a local gang. He was charged with attempted murder, gbh, riot and robbery.

R v Chan, Snaresbrook Crown Court, s18 stabbing. Stabbing in the streets in broad day light witnessed by many distressed members of the public, incident between rival gang members.

Rv Foa, Snaresbrook and Portmouth Crown Court organised supplying of Class A drugs heroin and crack cocaine, in London and Portsmouth.

R v Braha, Wood Green Court, conspiracy to sell counterfeit goods in breach of Trade Mark value over £300000

R v Short, Snaresbrook Crown Court, conspiracy to produce counterfeit Bank of England bank notes value over £8 million the largest in the UK . Represented the principal defendant.

R v Vidal, Snaresbrook Crown Court, possession with intent to supply 2 kilos of cocaine.

R v Riatt, Kingston Crown Court, money laundering, mortgage fraud and benefit fraud

R v Mypia, Harrow Crown Court, possession of firearm to commit robbery

R v Baptiste, Harrow Crown Court, s18. The defendant was charged with stabbing the victim several times in the chest.

R v Cooper, Kingston Crown Court, rape. The defendant was accused of anal rape upon a young woman that he had a casual relationship with.



Barrister profile

Michael Hall



Other Activities

Michael formerly lectured at South Bank University in criminal procedure and evidence and taught law at Erith College, before joining Garden Court.

Michael is involved in the Jamaica basic School Foundation, a UK registered charity. The main objective of the Foundation is to raise funds to provide school equipment for early year's education.

Societies

Criminal Bar Association, member of the South Eastern Circuit