

Patricia May

Junior Counsel - Above 15 Years

CALLED 1965



Patricia May is renowned for her expertise in the criminal field, as both a prosecutor and defence counsel.

Background and Expertise

Patricia specialises in sexual offences and is in particular demand in cases involving vulnerable people, both defendants and witnesses, where her communication skills stand her in very good stead.

She is a Grade 4 Prosecutor and is on the CPS Specialist rape list.

Her experience has been augmented by her having sat as a Crown Court Recorder, with authority to try rape and other cases concerning serious sexual offences.

Notable Cases

Driving

R v P, 2018

Defending man charged with Wounding with Intent and causing Serious Injury by Dangerous driving – identification issues.

Basildon Crown Court

[Driving](#)

Financial Crime

R v D and D, 2018

Prosecuting £200,000 fraud where the victim with mental health issues was defrauded of his inheritance by family members.

Harrow Crown Court

[Financial Crime](#)

General Crime

R v D and others, 2019

Prosecuting as Leading Junior an armed gang who kidnapped and held hostage a fifteen year old boy. Interpretation of Cell site evidence a substantial feature in proving case against the defendants.

Croydon Crown Court

R v D, 2018

Prosecuting mother of four on charges of Child Cruelty and Administering Noxious Substances to her young son.

Canterbury Crown Court

R v A, A, D and S, 201*

Prosecuting in Aggravated Burglary and Attempted rape of a 16 year old girl.

Woolwich Crown Court

R v P

Snaresbrook Crown Court Case of child cruelty – allegedly Munchausen's syndrome by proxy.

Crime

Murder and Manslaughter

R. v. R and others, 2020

Prosecuted five defendants for affray at an inquest. The death was that of a very young child and all defendants were family members necessitating particularly sensitive handling of witnesses and defendants.

Maidstone Crown Court

R v M and others

'Witchcraft' case at Central Criminal Court Torture of young girl and conspiracy to murder.

Murder and Manslaughter

Rape and Sexual Offences

R v K, 2020

Prosecuted defendant for stranger rape against traumatised teenage victim.

Harrow Crown Court

R. v. B, 2019

Represented defendant charged with sexual offences against a four-year old child whose evidence was adduced with the support of an Intermediary.

Maidstone Crown Court

R v W, 2019

Representing male defendant who was charged with sexual offences against a young female but who

had since the offences trans-gendered into a female.

Northampton Crown Court

R v R, 2019

Blind man charged with historic rape and other sexual offences against children.

Isleworth Crown Court

R v S, 2018

Defending young Bulgarian female against charges of sexual assault against another young girl.

Blackfriars Crown Court

R v R, 2018

Defending man accused of multiple Rape and False Imprisonment.

Inner London Crown Court

R v T-S, 2018

Defending 16 year old boy with mental health issues on charge of raping a 12 year old girl.

Canterbury Crown Court

R v H

Case of multiple serious sexual offences against young boys.

Kingston Crown Court.

R v S

Reading Crown Court Historic allegations of child sex abuse against young boys.

R v O

Central Criminal Court Allegations of serial rape.

Violence

R v H and others, 2020

Prosecuted a series of linked cases against five defendants for offences of GBH with Intent, Violent disorder etc. The victims were subject to attacks with knives and axes and suffered life-changing injuries.

Snaresbrook Crown Court

[Violence](#)

Achievements

Memberships

- Criminal Bar Association
- Medico-Legal Society

Appointments

- CPS Panel (Grade 4)
- CPS RASSO Panel

Education

- King's College, London
- Woodford County High School

Activities and Interests

- Patricia is interested in skiing, golf, aerobics and travelling