

## Alex Wright

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Alex is an experienced criminal practitioner who appears for the defence in cases of the utmost gravity and complexity. He is also a grade 3 prosecutor on the CPS list, and is on the CPS list of counsel approved to appear for the prosecution in rape cases.

Alex's careful preparation and availability to provide advice mean that he is particularly valued by solicitors in cases which are complicated or unusual, and where advice on novel points of law is required.

In recent years Alex has been instructed in cases including; murder, attempted murder, mortgage fraud, revenue fraud, rape, historic sexual abuse, importation and distribution of drugs, robbery, firearms and GBH with intent.

Alex has developed particular expertise in representing the defendant in large and complicated confiscation cases under the Proceeds of Crime Act and regularly appears as leading junior counsel in those cases. In a number of very substantial confiscation cases he has been successful in defeating allegations of hidden assets put forward by the prosecution, and in persuading the judge to set the benefit figure much lower than asked for by the prosecution.

Alex also acts in licensing cases, and has successfully represented a number of pubs, clubs and restaurants in contentious cases where objection has been taken to the premises by either the police or local residents.

## Crime

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### Notable Cases

- R v A – Snaresbrook Crown Court (2015): Defended young man accused of gang rape – not guilty verdict.
- R v S – Stafford Crown Court (2015): Represented lead defendant in confiscation proceedings arising out of £5 million fraud – judge found no hidden assets when Crown had asserted hidden assets of over £1 million.

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- R v D – Central Criminal Court (2013): Confiscation proceedings arising out of largest cannabis farm case in Europe.
- R v S – Kingston Crown Court (2013): Successfully prosecuted a former chief fire officer who had committed serious sexual offences on young girl.
- R v M – Snaresbrook Crown Court (2011): Represented Defendant. Case of gang kidnapping and torture, conviction quashed in Court of Appeal following CCRC enquiry into jury misconduct and defendant acquitted on retrial.
- R v H – Reading Crown Court (2010): Prosecuted allegations of historic abuse by an uncle on three nephews from 1960s to 1980s. Convicted on majority of counts.
- R v F – Birmingham Crown Court (2007): Defended in attempted murder case where defendant acquitted despite all three co-defendants running cut-throat against client.
- R v C – Guildford Crown Court (2005): Defended lady accused of tampering with hospital equipment to harm her own baby. Successful submission of no case to answer.
- R v E – Birmingham Crown Court (2004): Conspiracy to supply 190kg of heroin.

## Appointments

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- CPS Grade 3 Prosecutor
- Registered Pupil Supervisor
- VHCC Panel Of Advocates

## Memberships

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- Criminal Bar Association

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