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Alejandra Llorente Tascon is a specialist criminal practitioner.

She has a busy criminal practise, frequently appearing in the Crown Court and the Courts Martial on behalf of the Defence and the Prosecution. Alejandra’s practice encompasses a wide range of offences including serious violence, drugs, sexual offences, dishonesty offences, road traffic matters, regulatory matters, and POCA. Furthermore, she has experience in dealing with youth defendants and complainants, as well as those with mental health issues.

Throughout all of her cases, Alejandra maintains a strong work ethic which, coupled with her meticulous case preparation, allows her to represent her clients with mastery of the law and the facts.

Alejandra is a native Spanish speaker and is direct access qualified.

Criminal

Alejandra specialises in general criminal law and regularly appears in the Crown Court on behalf of the Defence and the Prosecution in matters involving serious violence, drugs, sexual offences, dishonesty, road traffic matters, regulatory matters and confiscation.

Alejandra is currently instructed in a number of serious fraud matters involving high-value Companies Act and Insolvency Act offences.

Selected Cases
R v R (2019) (Hove Crown Court)

Following Alejandra’s vigorous cross-examination of the complainant, the judge stopped the case and R was acquitted of all counts on the indictment.

R was charged with section 18 wounding with intent to cause GBH and attempted section 18 wounding with intent to cause GBH. It was alleged that following a one-on-one fight with the complainant, R had stabbed the complainant in the face with a kitchen knife and attempted to throw hot oil over him.

R v SM (2019) (Swindon Crown Court)

Alejandra represented SM charged with 4 counts of making indecent images of children, 1 count of possessing a paedophile manual and 1 count of extreme pornography.

Following his guilty plea on all counts, Alejandra persuaded the judge to impose a suspended sentence despite the severity and extreme nature of the paedophile manual.

R v P (2019) (Southampton Crown Court)

Alejandra represented P at a 3 day trial for having a bladed article, namely a knife, and affray.

The Crown’s case was reliant on numerous eye witnesses and a bad character application for recent similar offences. After the successful exclusion of the bad character and the thorough cross-examination of the Crown’s witnesses, the jury acquitted P after 30 minutes of deliberations.

London Borough Council of Barking & Dagenham v AM & Others (2019) (Snaresbrook Crown Court)

Following a 3-week trial with four defendants, Alejandra’s client – the second defendant – was acquitted of offences under the perjury act.

R v G (2019) (Salisbury Crown Court)

Following a two-day trial, Alejandra secured Not Guilty verdicts for her client who was charged with ABH arising out of a domestic relationship.

R v MH (2019) (Southampton Crown Court)

The Defendant pleaded guilty to 3 counts of making indecent images of children (Cat A, B, and C), 3 counts of distributing indecent images of children (Cat A, B, and C) and 1 count of possession of prohibited images. The charges arose out of a combination of over 4,000 still and moving images of a penetrative nature involving children aged between 3 years of age to 15 years of age.
Alejandra persuaded the judge to reduce the starting point in light of the circumstances and impose a suspended sentence. The client was subsequently sentenced to an 18-month custodial sentence suspended for 2 years with a single condition to complete 50 days of Rehabilitation Activity Requirement.

**R v T & T (2019) (Bournemouth Crown Court)**

Alejandra represented both defendants following guilty pleas to 12 counts of Theft and 1 count of fraud, following a string of ATM machine thefts nationwide amounting to £220k. Following her persuasive mitigation, the defendants were sentenced to 12 months in custody.


Alejandra represented ‘S’ at a 5-day trial for conveying A list articles into prison.


Alejandra successfully persuaded the Crown to reduce an affray count to section 4 public order, despite the severity of the allegations. Upon a guilty plea, the defendant was sentenced below the guidelines to 16 months in custody for possession of an offensive weapon (an axe) and section 4 public order.


Following a guilty plea, the defendant was sentenced to a 6-month custodial sentence for possession of false identity documents with improper intention despite the case law depicting a starting point of 12-18 months.

## Courts Martial

Alejandra has experience representing members of the Armed Forces in the UK. Her experience involves advising service personnel on various offences under the Armed Forces Act as well as general criminal offences.

## Selected Cases


Alejandra successfully represented Corporal L in an appeal against sentence and conviction.

**R v Private RB (2019) (Courts Martial Centre Bulford)**

Following a guilty plea, Alejandra represented Private RB at the sentencing hearing for misconduct offences which
involved the victim suffering a fractured eye socket. Following Alejandra's mitigation, the defendant was sentenced to a fine.

R v Trouper B (2019) (Courts Martial Center, Bulford)

Alejandra represented Trouper B who faced charges of racially aggravated public order offences.

R v Fusilier H (2019) (Courts Martial Centre Bulford)

Alejandra represented Fusilier H who faced a charge of ABH.

Regulatory & Disciplinary

Alongside her criminal practice, Alejandra is keen to develop her experience in regulatory and disciplinary matters.

Alejandra is currently instructed as Defence counsel in an enviromental prosecution brought by Natural England. In addition, Alejandra has experience in housing enforcement cases.

Transport Law

Alejandra has experience of motoring matters in the Magistrates' Courts and the Crown Court. She has appeared in cases involving drink driving, dangerous driving, totting up disqualification, exceptional hardship and special reasons.

Alejandra also has experience representing appellants following the refusal of private hire licences by TFL.

Selected Cases

R v T (2019) (Bournemouth Crown Court)

Alejandra represented ‘T’ at trial for dangerous driving.

S v TFL (2018) (City of London Magistrates’ Court)

Alejandra represented the appellant in an appeal against TFL’s refusal to grant a private hire licence.
R v DS (2018) (Winchester Crown Court)

Alejandra successfully appealed a conviction for a failure to identify the driver (section 172). The appeal was allowed on a technical point of law raised by Alejandra during a legal argument and in closing submissions.

R v A (2018) (Camberwell Magistrates' Court)

Alejandra successfully represented her client charged with being in charge whilst over the prescribed alcohol limit. The Crown's case relied upon body worn footage from the officers present at the scene, showing the defendant highly intoxicated while sat in the driver’s side of the vehicle. Alejandra secured the acquittal by identifying failures by the police to take into consideration the defendant's proximity to his home address and producing defence evidence to corroborate the defendant’s story.

R v G (2018) (Portsmouth Magistrates' Court)

At the close of the Crown’s case, Alejandra made a successful submission of no case to answer, addressing the law and procedural failures relating to drink driving.

R v S (2018) (Salisbury Magistrates Court)

Alejandra successfully put forward a case of exceptional hardship for a Defendant who was subject to totting up provisions.

Qualifications

- PGDip Bar Professional Training Course, City Law School (2015-2016)
- LLB(Hons) Law with Spanish, The University of Sheffield (2011-2015)
- Spanish Law, La Universitat de Valencia (2013-2014)

Professional associations

- Inner Temple
- CPS Advocate Panel Level 2
- Criminal Bar Association (CBA)
- Young Legal Aid Lawyers (YLAL)
- Association of Regulatory & Disciplinary Lawyers (ARDL)
- South Eastern Circuit
Panel member at the Bar Pro Bono Unit

Professional activities

- Criminal Bar Association Bursary for Excellence in Advocacy (2019)
- The University of Sheffield Graduate Award (2015)

Alejandra frequently volunteers as a speaker for the Inner Temple Access to the Bar programmes as well as Urban Lawyers events.

Outside Interests

From a young age, Alejandra has been involved with the RAF Air Cadets, where she now volunteers as a civilian instructor. As part of the air cadets, Alejandra has completed the 100-mile (in 4 days) vierdaagse international marches 9 times.

As well as long distance walking, Alejandra enjoys baking and cooking Spanish and Colombian food in honour of her heritage.