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"An advocate specialising in criminal, regulatory, inquests, courts martial and civil work."

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Mark Ashley has over 20 years experience as a common law advocate.

His practice encompasses regulatory, civil and criminal work. His experience across different disciplines of law gives him a breadth of knowledge in matters that complement each other. He is involved in all stages of the legal process, from early advice to promote resolution of disputes, to the preparation of pleadings and advising on evidence, negotiating settlements where possible and conducting trials in court and where necessary providing advice on appeal.

Criminal

He appears in all areas of Crown Court and Appeal work both defending and prosecuting. He has particular experience in matters of fraud, money laundering, large scale drug operations, serious sexual offences and white collar crime.

He was instructed in the first War Crimes trial held in the UK and went on to complete two years as counsel representing a core participant in the Baha Mousa Public Inquiry, chaired by Sir William Gage – which was the largest inquiry into the murder and torture of civilians in Iraq while in British Military custody.

Mark was also a leading junior in one of the largest international human trafficking cases ever prosecuted involving a nationwide organised ring trading women for prostitution.

Regulatory & Disciplinary

Has considerable experience in regulatory and disciplinary cases. In particular Mark is instructed in matters relating to Health and Safety Regulations, Trading Standards prosecutions together with matters concerning Public Nuisance, Environmental Health and prosecutions involving the Maritime Agency, Local Authorities and the RSPCA.

His work encompasses the full range of seriousness including corporate manslaughter and gross negligence leading to serious personal injury or loss of life to the ever increasing issues of noise and light abatement and privacy from domestic CCTV security systems.

Courts Martial

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Personal Injury

A significant proportion of his practice relates to large scale fraud matters. He has particular expertise in insurance fraud matters including high value motor and personal injury claims by organised crime groups, complex credit hire matters, phantom passenger claims and large scale fraud rings. He undertakes the full range of advocacy work together with the drafting of often complex litigation pleadings and advice on tactics and the merits of litigation.

He is regularly instructed in civil proceedings by a number of the UK's leading insurance companies as well as private practice defendant firms.

Direct Access

Mark is a fully trained Public Access barrister.

Professional associations

- Association of Regulatory & Disciplinary Lawyers