Members Profile: **Timothy Langdale QC**

WHAT THE DIRECTORIES SAY

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Criminal Fraud: Star-rated Remains a senior and highly respected silk who turns his hand to serious fraud, general crime and regulatory matters

Crime:Band 1 Has a big profile in high-stakes privately funded work, and often handles matters with an international dimension. He is particularly strong in the fraud field, for example advising the SFO, but is just as effective in general crime when he turns his hand to it.

ENTRIES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS

Is declared "a marvel as an advocate" by observers. His stunning prosecutions and defence work in relation to serious frauds is deemed to be almost unsurpassed, as is his breadth of experience'

The courtroom is his natural habitat. Like a champion boxer who has marked out every inch of the ring, he knows exactly where he is and precisely how to manoeuvre his opponent."

He is "incredibly adaptable, and one of the best around when cross-examining in front of a jury". "He prosecutes and defends serious fraud cases and brings technical ability and intelligence to a case and always develops a fantastic relationship with the jury".

Timothy Langdale QC is "very well known for all the right reasons." He was one of the leading figures in recent high-profile matters such as the BAE corruption matter and the Oil for Food investigation.

Timothy Langdale QC is said to offer a quality of performance "more polished than Aladdin's lamp", an advocate who "would feature highly in any dream team of criminal fraud barristers."

He has vast experience: "He has seen so many different issues from so many different perspectives over his lengthy career that he understands the criminal system inside-out."

AREAS OF PRACTICE

Financial Crime: A practice specialising in prosecution and defence cases for the Serious Fraud Office

Crime: Established serious criminal defence practice, increasingly incorporating advising potential witnesses and corporate manslaughter charges. Prosecutes cases of substance or particular interest.

Disciplinary & Regulatory: Representation of solicitors facing disciplinary/regulatory sanctions. General Medical Council representation and advice, most recently Dr Jane Barton over three month proceedings involving allegations relating to deaths of elderly patients.

Courts Martial and Public Inquiries: Has acted for Colonel Mendonca, successfully representing him at his Court Martial and currently representing him in the Baha Mousa inquiry.

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS, ATTAINMENTS AND MEMBERSHIPS

2003 - Appeal Steward British Boxing Board of Control
1995 - 1999 - Recorder
1992 - Queen's Counsel
1987 - Senior Treasury Counsel at the Central Criminal Court
1979 - Junior Treasury Counsel at the Central Criminal Court
1970 - Tenant at Hollis Whiteman Chambers
1969-1970 - Research Assistant at the Community Justice Center in Watts, Los Angeles
1967-1969 - Tenant at 1 Essex Court
1966 - Called to the Bar (Lincoln's Inn)

NOTABLE CASES

RECENT CASES

Fraud/Crime

- R v Dr Kokkarne: Successful acquittal of a GP accused of manslaughter by way of gross negligence
- R v Perrin: Successful acquittal of defendant in the Vantis Tax trial
- R v Mabey & Johnson Ltd. acted for the company in the first successful judicially approved criminal plea settlement agreement with the SFO
- Represented the SFO in the BAE investigation and settlement, involving high profile allegations of bribery and corruption
- Advising Virgin Atlantic
- R v Flook: appeal following conviction for importation of £350m of drugs, retrial secured
- R v N: successfully defended Dr N, a GP accused of manslaughter following the death of a patient
- Instructed by the FSA to advise on an insider dealing prosecution
- R v Wright: defended the 'Ipswich Strangler'

Health and Safety/Corporate Manslaughter

- R v Luckett: Crane operator acquitted of gross negligence manslaughter
- Lakeland Leisure: successfully defended the director of a company facing corporate manslaughter charges following the accidental death of an employee
- R v. Agis: Successfully defended the artist Maurice Agis on charges of manslaughter and health & safety breaches, when his inflatable artwork, Dreamspace, broke loose and caused the death of two women in Chester-le-Street; acquitted of manslaughter

Tribunals & Inquiries

- GMC v Dr Jane Barton: Represented Dr Barton in disciplinary proceedings involving very serious allegations arising from a series of deaths of elderly patients at Gosport Memorial Hospital
- The Baha Mousa public inquiry, representing Colonel Mendonca, having successfully defended the Colonel in his Court Martial

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Defence:

- Successfully defended Colonel Mendonca, the highest ranking British Officer ever to face charges of war crimes, in the five month Court Martial, emanating from the death of an Iraqi civilian whilst in army custody
- SFO v George: major false accounting charges involving a publicly quoted company, successful application to dismiss the charges, and the decision of the Director of the SFO to seek a voluntary bill of indictment
- Ray Hatton - defending defamation action brought by Frank Warren; settled
- Instructed to represent the News of the World in a libel action brought by Kieren Fallon, settled
- R v Fugill: Manager charged with manslaughter and Health & Safety charges in connection with the Hatfield rail crash, acquitted
- R v Shoesmith: Police officer charged with others in connection with the shooting of an unarmed man
- R v Goldsmith: successfully defended the millionaire when he was alleged to have arranged a contract killing of his wife
- Richard Lines: former Chairman and Chief Executive of MTM charged by the SFO with false accounting, conspiracy to commit false accounting, and making misleading statements
- R v Guppy & Marsh: charged with fraud, theft and false accounting in February 1993 for staging a faked jewel robbery and claiming £1.8 million from the insurers, part of London's Lloyd's insurance market

Prosecution:

- Landhurst Leasing: SFO prosecution of the former Chairman and former Finance Director on charges of corruption, convicted
- R v. Whiting: CPS prosecution of the “Sarah Payne” case, convicted
- Stephen Hinchliffe: SFO prosecution concerning fraudulent conduct in relation to the affairs of the Facia Group, convicted
- Richard Spearman: The first successful SFO prosecution for insider-dealing concerning an insider-dealing conspiracy and sensitive RIPA applications

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