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KATHRYN ARNOT DRUMMOND

Called to the Bar 2008

BIOGRAPHY

A mature court advocate, experienced in jury trial and appellate work, Kathryn has acted as both leading and junior counsel in a number of fraud and significant general criminal cases. *"She brings a breadth of knowledge, first-rate work ethic and confidence to each instruction"*.

Kathryn is ranked as a leading junior in Business and Regulatory crime (including Global Investigations) in the Legal 500. She provides strategic advice to multi-national corporations and individuals in a range of white collar, regulatory and collateral civil fraud investigations. Kathryn *"combines excellent attention to detail with a great client manner"* and is experienced in advising Boards, senior management and in-house legal teams as well as working parallel to foreign proceedings.

Kathryn's familiarity with the financial services, equity and debt capital markets and extractive industries make her ideally suited to the demands of complex, serious and high-profile investigations and casework.

RECENT & CURRENT CASES

- Advised a global investment bank in relation to a regulatory investigation in the UK whilst parallel proceedings were ongoing in the USA. Kathryn was retained to assist the bank with the collateral civil fraud litigation.
- Represented the Chief Operating Officer of Afren PLC, charged by the SFO alongside the company's former CEO with fraud and money laundering offences.
- Advised a publicly listed company in an extractive industry in relation to multi-jurisdictional corporate criminal liability.
- Leading counsel in a multi-handed company fraud trial involving complex legal argument.
- Instructed in relation to a high profile SFO investigation into allegations of multi-jurisdictional bribery. Kathryn was one of two lawyers who attended the section 2 interview.
- Instructed pre-charge to advise a former CEO of a hedge fund in regard to alleged offences of fraud and money laundering.
- Advised a spread betting company on personal account dealing/insider dealing.
- Represented a film producer against charges of conspiracy to cheat the revenue and fraudulent claiming of film tax credits.

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- Advised the directors of a pharmaceutical company under investigation for the commission of offences under the Misuse of Drugs Act as a result of wholesale foreign export on strategy and approach to interview.
- Advising an unregulated company in relation to a potential SAR in a sensitive commercial environment.

PREVIOUS CASES

Financial Crime

- R v Y - Fraudulent Trading and making articles for use in fraud arising from the altering and trading in catalytic converters.
- R v H - Card sharing network fraud and conspiracy to pervert the course of justice.
- R v H - Led junior acting for a company director charged with the running of a boiler room fraud involving fancy coloured diamonds.
- R v JO'B - Cheque fraud and money laundering.
- R v G - Money laundering through money service businesses.

Regulatory

- MHRA v G - Investigation of regulatory breaches by a pharmaceutical company.
- EA v HMRC - Appeal against HMRC decision on income tax liability to First Tier VAT Tribunal.
- GMC v GS - Proceedings in the General Medical Council against a psychiatrist.

EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE

Court Experience

Kathryn is an experienced court advocate having undertaken her junior practice working on a wide variety of criminal cases. During this time, Kathryn was often acting as a 'junior alone' dealing with the full spectrum of witness handling, expert evidence, legal arguments and procedural matters. Cases included contempt of court, conspiracies to kidnap, falsely imprison, blackmail and pervert the course of justice as well as historic sex offences. Kathryn was instructed to act in the Court of appeal on appeals against sentence and conviction including for murder.

Appointments

- Master of the Bench, Inner Temple [2019]
- Committee member, Fraud Lawyers Association [February 2019 - current]
- Education Secretary, Female Fraud Forum [2018 - 2019]
- Inner Temple Advocacy Trainer [qualified 2015]
- President of the Inner Temple Junior Bar Association [2012-2013]

Education and Awards

- MA Hons Mental Philosophy - University of Edinburgh
- Bar Vocational Course and Graduate Diploma in Law - BPP
- Bernard Sunley Award [The Honourable Society of the Knights of the Round Table to those who have debated or mooted for the Inner Temple]
- Exhibition Award [The Honourable Society of the Inner Temple]

Associated Work

Kathryn has regularly spoken and chaired panels at internationally recognized conferences and provides training to professionals in the field of corporate and economic crime.

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Past talks include:

- UK AMLP (Anti-Money Laundering Professionals Forum) Annual AML & Financial Crime Seminar: Masterclass on the topic of FCA and law enforcement raids and investigatory powers [April 2018].
- UK Finance Financial Crime and Sanctions conference: 'What to do when the SFO come knocking' [September 2017].
- Young Fraud Lawyers Association: MOJ Call for Evidence in relation to corporate criminal liability [March 2017].
- Panel Chair International Symposium on Economic Crime at Jesus College in Cambridge in September 2016 for the fifth time in as many years. The topics included, 'The approaches of the UK and the UK to corporate criminal responsibility' and 'Post Libor/FX, what is the right advice?'.