

Tom Allen KC

Call: 1994 | Silk: 2015

"Very sharp and on top of his game." "Knowledgeable, approachable, technically gifted and a great jury advocate." "Very impressive, client-friendly, smart and gets to the nub of the issue." "He combines commercial acumen and diligence with being utterly down to earth, which puts High Net Worth clients at their ease even when facing the gravest of allegations. He displays great tactical nous and common sense, and blends these skills with welcome affability, making him a sought-after leader when the chips are down."

Chambers and Partners



Chambers and Partners: Band 1 for Financial Crime

Legal 500: Band 1 for Business and Regulatory Crime (including Global Investigations)

Legal 500: Corporate Crime Silk of the Year Winner 2024

Bribery and Corruption

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Recent instructions include multiple SFO investigations into cross-jurisdictional bribery and corruption offences.

- Currently instructed in ongoing litigation in respect of the SFO's prosecution of Glencore former employees.
- Appeared in SFO v Cook, one of The Lawyer's top cases of 2023, where his client was found not guilty of corruption charges after a long-running and complex trial that involved questions of national security. Further detail is available [here](#). Also shortlisted in 'Most Important Court Cases of the Year' at the GIR Awards 2024 in Washington, DC. More information is available [here](#).
- Represented David Lufkin, global head of sales at Petrofac, in connection with bribery allegations relating to the obtaining of contracts worth \$8bn and the payment of bribes of over \$80m across three jurisdictions.
- Defended English QC in Trinidad, charged with entering a corrupt agreement with a former Attorney General.
- Advising a listed company in respect of corporate criminal liability for bribery across multiple jurisdictions.
- Successfully defended the CEO of Guralp Systems Ltd in respect of bribery allegations relating to business in South Korea.
- Advising directors about allegations of corruption in connection with numerous SFO investigations, including Rolls Royce PLC.