



The Chambers of
Harendra de Silva QC



Malcolm Bishop QC: Criminal Law CV

Introduction

Malcolm Bishop QC in the words of Mr Justice Nigel Davis, “is one of the few remaining all rounders practising at the top of the market”. He has appeared in all Divisions of the High Court and his range of expertise is unusually varied.

Appointments

- § Deputy High Court Judge
- § Recorder
- § Chair, Isle of Man Public Inquiry into Legal Aid Provision

Profile

- Malcolm Bishop is a Deputy High Court Judge, Recorder of the Crown Court, Chair of the Isle of Man Legal Services Commission, a Bencher of the Inner Temple, and Hon. Standing Counsel to Regent's Park College, Oxford University.

He has a widely based common law practice, which has taken him to most court centres in England and Wales, from the Magistrates' court to the House of Lords. He has also accepted instructions from commonwealth jurisdictions, and has a strong connection with Bermuda. He is currently briefed to lead a team of QCs and juniors in potential class compensation actions for alleged child abuse in Jersey.

He was a member of the Bar Council for many years and has served on innumerable committees and working parties, as well as lecturing widely to regional and national conferences.

Malcolm Bishop is willing to enter into arrangements in respect of conditional fees and direct access.

Some Major cases

Court of Appeal

- § R v Wood : C.A.[2008] EWCA Crim 1305: involuntary intoxication in murder cases
- § R v Wood (No.2) LCJ in 5 judge court; guideline sentencing in manslaughter through intoxication
- § R v Jabber: C.A. new guidelines on permissible inferences
- § R v Carmona:C.A. [2006] EWCA Crim 508: Article 8 and deportation rules: permission to appeal to House of Lords granted

Crown Court

- § R v Carty & others: Letitia Shakespeare and Charlene Ellis gangland shooting in Birmingham
- § R v Sivakumar & others: longest ever murder trial at the Old Bailey
- § R v Abedin: first ever Al Qaeda trial in UK
- § R v Patack & others: MTIC fraud at Nottingham Crown Court
- § R v Saraw et al the 'airline' terrorist trial and retrial
- § R v Zaheer: incitement to murder : preaching at Regent's Park mosque
- § R v Babamuboni: The 'Peckham christening' shooting involving young defendants
- § R v Ajosi: manslaughter of vicar's daughter by 2 teenage girls.
- § R v Spencer: The 'Johnson Crew' gangland shooting
- § R v Stephen: The South Wales Police Alleged Corruption following the Lynette White murder
- § R v Lamponi: alleged double murder with Italian connections
- § R v Barot and Jalil: appeal in the Al Qaeda connected USA/UK terrorist plot
- § R v Ashiq Hussain: gangland shooting allegedly arising out of 'drug territorial wars'