



# Madeleine Deasy

Call 2018

Madeleine Deasy has a busy criminal practice in which she both prosecutes and defends in the Crown, Magistrates' and Youth Courts.

Madeleine is regularly instructed in a wide range of criminal matters, including sexual offences, domestic violence, fraud and dishonesty, offensive weapons, drugs supply and motoring offences. Instructions are on a private as well as publicly funded basis.

Madeleine is consistently instructed in matters for youth and defendants with a range of vulnerabilities. Of note, Madeleine recently secured an acquittal in a case of supplying class A utilising the s.45 Modern Slavery defence despite a negative NRM finding.

Prior to commencing pupillage at 2 Bedford Row, Madeleine was employed by Mishcon de Reya as a paralegal within the Business Crime and Tax Litigation teams. Madeleine assisted in the defence of cases prosecuted by the Serious Fraud Office and HM Revenue & Customs.

## Practice Areas

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### Defence

Madeleine has a diverse defence practice appearing for defendants at trial, sentence and other preliminary hearings in the Crown, Magistrates' and Youth courts. Madeleine also has experience dealing with quasi-criminal matters including resisting applications for Sexual Risk Orders, Criminal Behaviour Orders and Closure Orders. In February 2021, Madeleine completed the Vulnerable Witness Training Course at Middle Temple on behalf of ICCA.

### Notable defence cases

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#### **R v D**

Acquittal on two charges of PWITS A, following successful deployment of s.45 Modern Slavery Defence despite negative NRM referral.

#### **R v P**

Acquittal of two charges of threats to damage and common assault after trial. Vulnerable D with communication difficulties.

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**R v L**

Successful submission of no case to answer in case of two charges of fraud by false representation, following cross examination on records of accounts and WhatsApp communications.

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**R v H**

Successful submission of no case to answer in case of two charges of youth robbery. D admitted presence but denied involvement.

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**R v F**

Successful submission of no case to answer in case of three charges of criminal damage following successful exclusion of DNA evidence identifying defendant.

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**R v F**

Secured conditional discharge for charges of driving with excess alcohol, common assault and drunk and disorderly.

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**R v H**

Secured a YRO for a second conviction for weapons offences where D was considered a 'persistent offender'.

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**R v A**

Successful argued against activation of SSO where six offences similar in gravity and seriousness had been committed during the operational period of the order.

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## Prosecution

As a Level 1 CPS Panel Advocate, Madeleine regularly prosecutes matters across the Magistrates' and Youth Courts. Madeleine also appears on behalf of the Crown in appeals to the Crown Court as well as committals for sentence. Madeleine has particular experience of prosecuting 'technical driving' matters as well as cases of domestic violence, dishonesty and sexual offences at summary trial. Madeleine also regularly prosecutes on behalf of the National Probation Service in matters of breach proceedings in the Crown Court.

## Publications

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- Advocate Panel Member
- CPS Panel Advocate Level 1

## Memberships

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- Criminal Bar Association
- Law in Sport
- Women in Criminal Law
- Young Legal Aid Lawyers

## Education

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- Bar Professional Training Course with Masters of Law (Very Competent & Distinction), University of Law
- LLB (First Class), University of Liverpool

### Scholarships / Awards

- Frank Quickfall Scholar, Gray's Inn
- Best Academic Performance in Law & Social Justice: Sports Law, University of Liverpool
- Winner of University of Liverpool Mooting Competition

## Qualifications

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- Vulnerable Witness Trained (February 2021)