



## Stephen Ferguson

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Stephen was educated at Oxford University. He was a junior Irish rugby international and an Oxford Blue. He is a member of Vincent's Club.

## **Practice Areas**

## Defence

Stephen Ferguson is a specialist defence barrister and is one of the most sought after defence barristers in the UK.

He specialises in the fields of fraud, organised crime, corruption and large scale money laundering. He is regularly instructed in the most serious and high profile cases in the UK and overseas. Ferguson's work often features an international dimension such as a Mutual Legal Assistance request from an international government. He works relentlessly to ensure that the problems of his clients are dealt with expeditiously and successfully. Very high profile individuals from the worlds of commerce, politics, celebrity, music and sport have been successfully and discreetly represented by Ferguson over the years such as Sarah, The Duchess of York in an overseas matter.

He has recently represented international figures from Ruling Families in both the UK and the Middle East with a focus on the UAE. He has been counsel of choice for the Conservative Party on a number of matters, one of which reached the Supreme Court, He was successful in representing a prominent pharmaceutical executive on a substantial data protection matter. Historical clients have included Terry Adams, Charles Bronson, The Dewani Case (South African honeymoon bride case), issues arising out of the 'Equitorial Guinea Coup', a prominent matter in Iraq involving a British national to name a few.

He has particular expertise in putting together small teams of relevant professionals to solve problems with a criminal dimension globally without recourse to the courts. He routinely draws in the very 'best of breed' – from the right international law firm, PR firm and other strategic advisers to guarantee results. Indeed he is regarded as result obsessed.

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## **Directory Quotes**

- "Stephen Ferguson has a highly regarded advocacy style, a fearless cross examiner, such are his court room performances that many believe his appointment to silk is imminent. His recent work highlights include VAT, tax and mortgage fraud." Chambers & Partners
- "Stephen Ferguson's court presence is formidable, demolishing prosecution cases with extraordinary attention to detail, leading to acquittal after acquittal. He is a powerful and persuasive 'must have' advocate." Legal 500
- "An absolutely top drawer lawyer who is hard working, impressive in the court room and a real fighter for his clients." **Chambers & Partners**
- "A powerhouse of a lawyer, who produces faultless work and is great on the client side." **Chambers & Partners**