



Keith Harrison

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Year of Call: 1983

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Strengths: "He is magic in court. He has a real sense of performance and theatre in the courtroom." **Chambers UK Bar 2022**

"Recommended expert" **Legal 500 2022**

Legal Directory Recommendations

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Strengths: "He is very charismatic and a good lawyer. He is tenacious and hard-working on behalf of his clients." "A good jury advocate." **Chambers UK Bar 2021**

"Cross-examines with precision and cuts to the key issues in every case." **Legal 500 2021**

"Highly competent and highly trusted in complex, heavyweight cases." **Chambers & Partners 2019**

"Defends and prosecutes across a range of criminal matters" **Legal 500 2019**

Strengths: "Keith is a fantastic advocate." **Chambers & Partners 2018**

“His broad practice includes homicide, fraud and drugs offences cases.” **Legal 500 2017**

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Strengths: *“Shrewd, fearless and extremely experienced”. “Amazing, he’s a brilliant lawyer and a brilliant advocate”.* – **Chambers & Partners 2017**

“A determined and fierce advocate, whom juries warm to” – **Legal 500 2016**

Drawing on 20 years of experience, Keith Harrison is adept at handling a range of criminal offence cases including serious violence, murder, sexual offences and fraud. He is a Grade 4 Prosecutor and also often appears before the Criminal Division of the Court of Appeal.

Strengths: *“A strong and dogged advocate. If he has a point, he will pursue it and won’t back down to anyone. He’s not afraid to take on the judges.”* – **Chambers & Partners 2016**

“Handles a full gamut of general offences, including homicide, robbery and fraud.” – **Legal 500 2015**

“Prosecutes and defends the full range of general serious crime matters. He regularly acts on cases involving drugs conspiracies and violent crimes”

“Defended in one of Merseyside’s biggest drug gang trials. The case involved extensive police investigation and millions of pounds’ worth of drugs.” – **Chambers & Partners 2015**

Memberships

- Criminal Bar Association

EXPERTISE

Crime

Keith specialises in all areas of criminal work and acts for both defence and prosecution. He has over 20 years’ experience and has been involved with many major cases both on the Northern Circuit and on other Circuits. His work has included cases of homicide and serious violence, sexual offences, substantial drugs offences, robbery and fraud.

Keith has acted as leading Junior in complex matters. He is a category 4 Prosecutor and has been retained to prosecute for British Telecom. He is preferred defence counsel for The Foster Parents’ Association.

Keith has appeared on numerous occasions before the Criminal Division of the Court of Appeal.

His approach to his work is forthright and independent and he is noted in Chambers and Partners 2009 as being “a sharp-shooter who is pitiless with opponents.” and in the 2010 edition as “a great defence advocate.”

“Keith Harrison is praised by his peers for his determined and single-minded pursuit of his clients’ interests. Recently, he represented the main defendant in a £3.5 million drug smuggling case.” – Chambers & Partners 2013.