

# Jacqueline Vallejo

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## Areas of Practice

- Criminal Defence
- Prison Law
- Mental Health Law

### **Criminal Defence**

From arrest to freedom Jacqui specialises in all aspects of criminal defence work. Jacqui specialises in representing Youths and the more vulnerable members of society including those with mental health issues. Cases which involve the cross examination of vulnerable complainants also make up a significant part of Jacqui's practice. Jacqui's friendly and down to earth approach is appreciated by both professional and lay clients. This and her cockney accent facilitates communication with the most demanding clients and difficult witnesses. Other specialisms include cases which involve the robust challenging of police officers evidence and cases which rely upon forensic evidence.

Jacqui's practice sees her defending, both as Junior and Leading Counsel, in a wide variety of cases.

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- **Official Secrets Act**
- **Large scale drug cases**
- **Multi-handed public order cases (gangs)**
- **Dishonesty cases including benefit frauds; street robberies**
- **Violence/hate crimes**
- **Possession of unlawful weapons/firearms**
- **Child cruelty/torture**
- **Death by Dangerous Driving**
- **Sexual Offences**
- **POCA hearings**
- **Appellate hearings**

### **Prison Law**

Prison adjudications  
Parole Review hearings

**Mental Health Law**  
Mental Health Review Tribunals

## Notable Cases

### **Appellate**

R v Stephen Procter & al [2012] EWCA Crim 794

Court of Appeal Criminal Division. Appeal Against Sentence. Led by John Aspinall QC. Four offenders convicted of conspiracy to supply Class A drugs.

R v Paul Massie ( & al) [2010] EWCA Crim 631

Court of Appeal Criminal Division. Appeal Against Sentence. Conspiracy to supply Class A drugs.

R v Beg (2009)

Court of Appeal Criminal Division. Led by Michael Mansfield QC in an Appeal Against Conviction & Sentence.

R v Rebecca Thomas [2008] EWCA Crim 1594

Court of Appeal Criminal Division, Appeal Against Sentence, drug importation, Legal issue guidance given upon disparity and the effect of Newton Hearing's upon credit

R v D(O) aged 18 , B(O) aged 17, Y(O) aged 17, S(O) aged 17 [2006] Crim 2600

Court of Appeal Criminal Division, Appeal Against Conviction, Appeal Against Sentence, Leave to Appeal, grievous bodily harm (with intent) legal issue, character of non-defendant and guidance given by CA as to how this is to be approached by the courts.

R v Kory Cowell [2006] EWCA Crim 2531

Attorney General's reference Court of Appeal Criminal Division, possession of firearms. Legal issue mandatory sentences and exceptional circumstances.

R v Stephen Britton [2006] EWCA Crim 2875

Court of Appeal Criminal Division, Ram-raiding offences, aged 18-19. Legal issue youth sentencing, clear guidance given by CA on what occurs when a young Accused has a significant birthday e.g. 18 yrs. Case adopted by Cherie Blair. (cf commentary Archbold 2006 & 2007).

R v Flynn [2006] EWCA Crim 24

Court of Appeal Criminal Division, Appeal Against Sentence, burglary.

R v Callan [2003] EWCA Crim 188

Court of Appeal Criminal Division, Appeal Against Sentence, robbery,

R v David [2002] EWCA Crim 768

Court of Appeal Criminal Division, Appeal Against Sentence, violent disorder.

### **Attempted Murder**

R v Douglas (2011/12)

Gloucester Crown Court - Domestic. Not guilty (Legal argument).

R v Welch (2010/11)

Central Criminal Court - Knife attack by teenagers on another youth. Not guilty (Legal argument).

R v Elliot (2010/11)

Central Criminal Court - Group attack with weapons on another. Not Guilty.

**Football related violence**

R v Lauder-Hawkins (2011/12)

Wood Green Crown Court - Conspiracy to commit GBH (Tottenham) Not guilty.

R v Melton (2010)

Blackfriars Crown Court - Violent Disorder (Arsenal). Suspended sentence.

R v Wainwright (2011)

Blackfriars Crown Court - Violent Disorder (Tottenham) Not guilty (Legal argument).

**Race / Religion related violence**

R v Yoganathan (2011)

Kingston Crown Court - s.18 GBH 2 x Claw hammer attacks on Vietnamese complainants. Not guilty x 2

R v Filo (2011)

Cambridge Crown Court - ABH Neighbour dispute Yugoslavian. Not Guilty.

R v Madugba (2009/10)

Bradford Crown Court, Led Junior became sole Counsel - Multiple GBH's & Child Cruelty. Mixed verdicts.

**Assault Police**

R v Locke (2011)

Snaresbrook Crown Court - ABH (fractured PC's eye socket). Not guilty.

**Drugs**

R v Procter & Others - reported (2011/12)

Exeter Crown Court, Led Junior - Conspiracy to supply Class A. Pending appeal March 2012.

R v Hilali (2011/12)

Northampton Crown Court - Conspiracy to supply Class A 5kg 89% purity. Ongoing.

R v Obiora (2011)

Inner London Crown Court - Possession with intent to Supply Class A & B 5kg. Not guilty x 2.

R v Barnet (2011)

Central Criminal Court - Supply Class A 9 x to undercover police. Community Order.

R v Sanni (2011)

Isleworth Crown Court - Possession with intent to Supply MDMA 52 wraps. Hung Jury.

R v Massie & Others (2010)

Ipswich Crown Court, Leading Counsel - Conspiracy to supply Class A. 4 year least sentence.

R v Squires (2010)

St Albans Crown Court - Possession with intent to Supply Class A 20+ wraps. Not guilty.

R v Nguyen (2009)

Snaresbrook Crown Court - Conspiracy to cultivate Cannabis (factory) - Not guilty.

R v T (2008)

Luton Crown Court - Conspiracy to Supply Class B 5kg. Not guilty.

**Firearms**

R v Ferreira (2012)

Snaresbrook Crown Court - Operation Chalais Conspiracy to supply firearms/prohibited weapons to undercover officers. Not Guilty (Legal argument).

R v Smith (2011)

Central Criminal Court - Possession of loaded gun with intent to endanger life. Not guilty.

R v Mollabakis (2011)

Snaresbrook Crown Court - Possession of loaded gun. Not guilty.

R v Adusei (2010/11)

Kingston Crown Court - Armed robbery (Deemed 'Dangerous') 5 years.

**Sexual offences**

R v R (2011)

Snaresbrook Crown Court - Rape of 16 year old. Not guilty.

R v Y (2011)

Wood Green Crown Court - Sexual Assault x 4 on 13/14 year old. Not guilty x 4 (Legal argument)

R v TW - reported (2010/11)

Kingston Crown Court - Sexual Assault on 4 year old. Not guilty.

R v A (2010)

Inner London Crown Court - Rape x 2 of 14 year old. Not guilty x 2.

R v H (2009)

Wood Green Crown Court - Sexual Assault x 6. Not guilty x 6.

**Robbery - Kidnap - Blackmail - False Imprisonment**

R v Boufas (2011)

Central Criminal Court - Leading Counsel - Multiple Robberies - Cash in Transit. Not guilty on all counts (Legal argument)

R v Diarrosouba (2011)

Kingston Crown Court - Robbery (cash in transit) & POCA. Hung Jury.

R v Morgan & 8 Others (2010/11)

Central Criminal Court - Kidnap x 2, False Imprisonment x 2 & Blackmail. 7 year least sentence.

R v Hashi, Avenu & Others – reported (2008)

Inner London Crown Court - Robbery & Aggravated burglaries. Not guilty x 3.

**Fraud - Breach of trust**

R v Ajufo (2011)

Guildford Crown Court - £200k. Community Order.

R v Rice - reported (2011)

Inner London Crown Court - £1.5million. 18 month sentence.

**Official Secrets Act**

R v Daniel James (2007/8)

Central Criminal Court, one of the very few specialised barristers who has prepared and undertaken a massive leading spy case “ the Salsa Spy” (National Media).

## Publications

- Crimeline Article “*Shivkuri & Bilinski Revisited*” (February 2008)
- Counsel Magazine Co-author “*Contamination! Forensics and contamination dispel the myths*” (December 2006)

## Speaking Events and Training, Seminars

- Legal Snapshot seminars - a series of seminars on *Expert Evidence* (Autumn 2007)
- Lecture at Tuckers Solicitors “*Mandatory sentences & exceptional circumstances for firearms offences*” (July 2006)

## Memberships & Societies

- Criminal Bar Association
- Pending application to the International Criminal Court
- British and Spanish Lawyers Association
- Notaria, The Spanish Consulate General in London

## Other Relevant Information

**Awards**

The Honourable Society of The Middle Temple - Blackstone Awardship of 1996

**Languages**

Spanish. Jacqui is one of the very few barristers who is of dual English and Spanish nationality, often defending Spanish speaking clients from South America and Spain.