



Nick Wrack

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Areas of Practice

Criminal defence, civil actions against police, inquests, prison law.

Nick is regularly instructed as leading counsel. He specialises in complex and serious crime including murder, terrorism, fraud, drugs and violence.

He has just returned from **Badhdad**, Iraq. He spent a week there in August acting for his client Danny Fitzsimons, a British security worker, who faces the death penalty for the murder of two co-security workers.

He was leading counsel in **R v Saleem and others** at Kingston Crown Court. The defendants were charged with incitement to commit terrorism (murder) in abroad and incitement to raise funds for terrorism.

He recently appeared in **R v S(F) and A(S)** [2009] 1 Cr. App. R. 18, dealing with the privilege against self-incrimination in the context of sections 49 and 53 Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000. The trial involves a conspiracy to breach a terrorist control order and a refusal to hand over an encrypted computer file.

In **R v Tirnaveanu**, [2007] 2 Cr. App. R. 23, at Canterbury Crown Court, Nick was lead counsel in a trial and re-trial that lasted over five months, dealing with allegations of fraud, forgery, deception and immigration offences.

In the course of the proceedings Nick successfully submitted that the trial judge should withdraw from the case on the basis of apparent bias against his client.

Nick also acts for victims of police maltreatment and for families at inquests.

Societies

Criminal Bar Association
 Haldane Society of Socialist Lawyers.

Background

Prior to coming to the Bar worked as a journalist for the socialist newspaper *Militant*, becoming its editor in 1994.

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