



Osman Osman

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Qualifications

LL.B.(Hons)

Languages

Turkish (bi-lingual) and Spanish

Areas of Practice

Crime.

He is regularly instructed in major organised crime trials and has defended in some of the largest and complex cases.

He is currently instructed in:

- R v GUN & others (Operation Blue Sky / Pan-European facilitation of illegal immigrants which is alleged to have involved the movement and entry of over 100,000 individuals into the UK; the largest known facilitation case. He is briefed to represent the principle defendant)
- R v KEMBLE & others (Operation Indeminate - the largest counterfeiting case to have come before a court in this jurisdiction with the alleged production of over £11 million worth of forged sterling and euro bank notes)

As well as the above he is currently instructed in a number of cases which include a double attempted murder between rival gangs in a Reading night-club shooting, as well as, a number of murder trials and further National Crime Squad operations.

Osman has conducted numerous contested confiscations hearings both under the Criminal Justice Act /Drug Trafficking Act and the Proceeds of Crime Act.

Osman also specialises in the cross-examination of vulnerable witnesses and is regularly instructed to appear in sensitive cases involving very young complainants.

Notable Cases

R v SOYLU & Others (the importation of over £35million worth of heroin into UK through a European net-work)

R v UGUR & Others (Operation Rouble large scale money laundering operation which was connected to two other major investigations)

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R v MICHAEL & Others (Operation Keighley the importation of over £4 million worth of heroin into the UK from Greece)

R v DOMINGOS & others (Operation Bangor the largest investigation into banking deception within the UK when over £20million was stolen by the use of stolen cheque account books which were intercepted through a North London postal sorting depot)

R v VALLENTINE (Dr Vallentine, the largest illegal drug production enterprise in Europe – the case formed the basis of Channel Four Despatches programme)

R v GONZALEZ & Others (large scale importation of cocaine by a Columbian/Spanish syndicate)

Osman has also been instructed in a number of high profile murder cases which have included:

R v RUARK (The murder of Jacqueline POOLE a cold-case review from 1982)

R v DEMIR (A married non-English speaking Turkish woman who was alleged to have doused her lover in petrol whilst he slept- the case was of national interest in Turkey and raised a great deal of public interest)

R v GUMUS (A triple murder)

R v KIRK (attempted murder, when a fishing harpoon was fired into the head of a young victim, photos of which were on the front pages of the national press)

R v TARASKUS & others (Lithuanian kidnap and extortion syndicate – involved in kidnapping gang-masters)

Background

Having spent a year working voluntarily at Tower Hamlets Law Centre Osman started his career at the bar in 1997.

Appointed member of the Bar Council Equality and Diversity Committee – June 2008

Personal

Away from the bar Osman often provides voluntary work within the Turkish community and also enjoys giving talks and lectures on legal topics.

Personal interests include spending time with his family, playing backgammon and flamenco dancing – when the opportunity arises.