



# Graham Trembath QC

**1978 (QC 2003)**

Over 30 years practice and experience in criminal law, specialising in criminal defence work, including many high profile defence cases since taking Silk in 2003. A specialist jury advocate, noted for his abilities in cross examination and jury speeches.

He has been described as "a class act". Substantial experience over a very broad range of serious crime, including murder, firearms cases, complex fraud, substantial drug cases, money laundering and complex confiscation proceedings.

Recent cases include representing a solicitor in a multi million pound substantial and complex international fraud case prosecuted by the SFO, the "Matalan" and "Facebook" murder cases, and representing one of the members of the "London Fields Boys" involved in a gang murder, and a former director of Crawley Town FC indicted for multi million pound tax evasion and money laundering allegations.

Appeared as leading counsel in the first ever acquittal at trial of a company charged with Corporate Manslaughter (Norwich Crown Court April 2014).

Represented one of the accused in the "Securitas Robbery", the largest cash robbery in U.K. criminal history, and represented one of the accused in the "Bling Bling" drugs case, said to be one of the largest international drug smuggling cases to appear before a British court.

Represented a solicitor indicted for rape, and defended in a multi-handed Russian Mafia case involving allegations of people trafficking, kidnap and blackmail. Appeared in a "landmark ruling" case involving poker ("Texas-Hold-Em"), a prosecution brought on behalf of the Gaming Commission.

Has appeared in numerous murder cases involving close analysis of a wide range of forensic and expert evidence.

**"He is a fantastic jury advocate"**

**- Chambers UK (2015)**

## Notable Cases

Cases in Silk include:

**HSE v PS and JE Ward.** Appearing for a Norfolk based horticultural business whose employee was tragically killed by electrocution in 2010 when a trailer being towed by a tractor he was driving came into contact with an overhead power line for reasons that remain unknown. This was the first acquittal for the offence of Corporate Manslaughter since the new law came into force in 2008.

**Regina v W.** Central Criminal Court

Represented a defendant who had secreted himself into the hold of a 747 airliner and in flight between Madrid and London, allegedly attempted to steal over £5 million pounds worth of foreign currency. The case involved further allegations of endangering an aircraft with expert witnesses called on behalf of the aircraft manufacturers.

**Regina v H.** Central Criminal Court

Represented a defendant ejected from a public house on New Year's Eve 2010, and returned with a loaded handgun. Indicted for two counts of murder and one of attempted murder. The prosecution relied heavily on firearms experts and numerous eye witnesses, including family members.

**Regina v T.** Central Criminal Court

Appeared for husband indicted for murder of his wife. Issues of provocation and diminished responsibility. Case involved extensive psychiatric and psychological evidence, with experts from prosecution and defence.

**Regina v K.** Snaresbrook Crown Court

"Texas-Hold-Em" : a landmark case under the gaming legislation involving a casino in London. Prosecution brought on behalf of the Gaming Commission. Expert witnesses included former Poker World Champions from Las Vegas.

**Regina v P.** Central Criminal Court

("Securitas Robbery") One of the largest cash robberies in U.K. criminal history. Represented one defendant, who was eventually acquitted of all charges, for their alleged involvement in this multi-million pound robbery.

**Regina v C & Others.** Central Criminal Court

("Matalan Murder") Represented one of 7 youths charged with murdering the store manager during a robbery, which was commonly known as the "The Matalan Murder". Acquitted of murder and manslaughter.

**Regina v K & Others.** Central Criminal Court

Appearing on behalf of one of seven defendants involved in a planned robbery of a drug dealer, which resulted in his death. This was a "cut throat" case where K alone was cleared of murder at the original trial, and was acquitted of manslaughter when tried on his own at the re-trial.

**Regina v C & Others.** Central Criminal Court

Represented one of a gang who allegedly executed a rival gang member at an "After Carnival Party" in

North London.

**Regina v S & Others.** Central Criminal Court

Defendant indicted for murder arising from a group attack on two victims said to be a revenge attack arising from an earlier incident. Acquitted of murder and manslaughter.

**Regina v R.** Southwark Crown Court

Multi million pound Confiscation Proceedings in relation to multi defendant money laundering and VAT fraud allegations. Hearings proceeded over a number of weeks. Confiscation Order in a sum very significantly lower than the prosecution applied for.

**Regina v A.** Peterborough Crown Court

Represented a defendant who had allegedly posed as an MI5 agent and thereby defrauded numerous women of very substantial sums of money, and an attempted probate fraud on a multi million pound will.

**Regina v P & Others** Worcester Crown Court

Represented a solicitor charged with involvement in a multi-million pound complex international fraud, prosecuted by the Serious Fraud Office. P was the only defendant to be acquitted.

**Regina v M & Others.** Hove Crown Court

Alleged group attack and murder of a homeless person in Brighton. Acquitted of murder and manslaughter.

**Regina v A & Others** Central Criminal Court

Representing a youth who was a member of the "London Fields Boys" in relation to the "gang" murder of a 14 year old boy. Seven members of the alleged gang stood trial. A further gang member gave evidence on behalf of the prosecution.

**Regina v B & Others** Central Criminal Court

Following his extradition from the USA, appeared on behalf of B who, with others, was tried for an execution style murder which happened over seven years previously. The 'execution' involved a single shot to the back of the victim's head.

**Regina v M.** Southwark Crown Court

A multi million pound tax evasion and money laundering case involving a former director of Crawley Town FC, which resulted in substantial and complex confiscation proceedings. The Confiscation Order resulting was in a sum substantially less than was applied for by the prosecution.

**Regina v H.** Central Criminal Court

(" Facebook Murder") Represented a teenager indicted for a murder resulting from insults traded on Facebook pages, leading to a gang confrontation.

**Regina v L.** Birmingham Crown Court

Appearing on behalf of one of two defendants charged with multi-million pound money laundering allegations. Further allegations of mortgage frauds. The proceeds of substantial multi importations of drugs had allegedly been laundered through casinos and into a large property portfolio and numerous bank accounts. Acquitted on all counts.

**Regina v A & Others.** Harrow Crown Court

Represented one of several defendants said to be part of the Russian Mafia in respect of allegations of people trafficking, kidnap, false imprisonment, blackmail and extortion.

**Regina v C & Others.** Harrow Crown Court

Alleged multi million pound heroin importations, continuing over a period of time, involving various defendants in different jurisdictions. The case involved protracted surveillance and covert telephone intercepts.

**Regina v S & Others.** Central Criminal Court

Alleged robbery and murder of a wealthy jeweller arising from his relationship with a drug importing prostitute. Acquitted of murder.

**Regina v P.** Birmingham Crown Court

Defendant, with his girlfriend, murdered and then butchered their lodger. The case involved complex issues as to psychiatric aspects and mental states.

**Regina v F & Others.** Snaresbrook Crown Court

Defendant was part of an international gang of drug dealers and importers involved in an ongoing international drug trafficking cartel. Undercover customs officers infiltrated the gang in a foreign jurisdiction.

**Regina v D & Others.** Central Criminal Court

Defendant, a 'rap star' with appearances on MTV, assisted by others, allegedly murdered another youth with a machine gun in a revenge attack resulting from a previous incident. The case involved complex analysis of cell site and mobile telephone evidence.

**Regina v P & Others.** Central Criminal Court

Alleged multi million pound importation of heroin, conspiracy to rob, and robbery of the imported heroin by a gang of robbers attacking the heroin importers.

**Regina v A.** Nottingham Crown Court

Attempted murder of a female police officer by shooting.