



James Nash

Barrister

Call: 2018

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James appears regularly in serious criminal trials on behalf of the defence and the prosecution, including in private prosecutions.

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He has acted in cases of serious violence, fraud by abuse of position, drug trafficking (including modern slavery), robbery and sexual assault in the Crown Court and the Court Martial. His background and experience mean that he is well placed to handle complex and sensitive document-heavy matters at short notice.

As well as his criminal practice, James accepts instructions in regulatory and professional disciplinary matters. He has prosecuted on behalf of the General Osteopathic Council, and appeared as a defence representative before the Nursing & Midwifery Council. He has been seconded to the Bank of England to assist in successful enforcement proceedings against a Category 1 bank.

Before coming to the Bar, James qualified as a Chartered Accountant at a Big 4 firm, specialising in external financial audit of large listed companies. He also spent some years working as a senior group financial accountant at a leading healthcare group, ensuring regulatory compliance and working on a major restructuring programme.

Notable cases

R v Roberts

James secured the acquittal of a woman accused, together with her daughter, of assaulting an airline pilot and disobeying the lawful order of a pilot. His client was acquitted of all charges, while the daughter was convicted. The case was widely reported nationally and internationally: see <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-london-51740940> .

Education / Professional

2018: Bar Professional Training Course, BPP University

2015: Chartered Accountant (ACA), Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales

2011: BA (Hons) Jurisprudence, Worcester College, University of Oxford

Scholarships

2017: Middle Temple, Gardiner Scholar

2016: BPP Advocacy Scholar

Appointments

CPS Advocates' Panel (Grade 3)

Memberships

Young Fraud Lawyers' Association

Criminal Bar Association

Languages

French and German to upper-intermediate level (CEFR B2).

Dysgwr Cymraeg (Iefel Uwch).

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