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Simon's early career at the Bar centred around defence work, during which time he appeared as both a junior and as a led junior. The latter occasions involved lengthy trials for such matters as murder, conspiracy to rob, conspiracy to supply Class A drugs and Modern Slavery.

In more recent years the majority of Simon's time has been spent prosecuting for the CPS. In this regard Simon now regularly receives instructions to prosecute a wide variety of Class 1 offences (murder, manslaughter). In respect of these cases Simon is often instructed to prosecute such cases alone or as the Leading Junior. Simon also regularly acts as the led junior in multi-handed murder trials.

When not engaged in Class 1 offences, Simon is routinely asked to prosecute cases of particular sensitivity and complexity and is regularly instructed to prosecute cases involving vehicular homicide, serious sexual offending, firearms offences, Modern Slavery allegations, blackmail and multi-handed drugs conspiracies founded on 'Encrochat' evidence.

Expertise

Murder and Manslaughter

Notable Murder and Manslaughter cases

R v PS [2024]

this case concerned an allegation of murder by a teenage defendant of another young man. Instructed as Junior alone for the Crown. Trial issue: 'Diminished Responsibility'.

R v DG [2024]

an allegation of murder by an elderly husband of his wife. Instructed as Junior alone for the Crown. Trial issues: 'Automatism' and 'Diminished Responsibility'.

R v JB [2023]

an allegation of murder by a boyfriend of his girlfriend. Instructed as Leading Junior for the Crown. Conviction for murder secured after trial.

[R v TL and others \[2023\]](#)

a multi-handed case concerning a 'honey trap' murder of a lone victim in his flat. Instructed as the led junior for the Crown. Convictions for murder and manslaughter secured after trial.

[R v AH \[2023\]](#)

a case involving the manslaughter and attempted murder by a son of his mother and father. Instructed as Junior alone for the Crown.

[R v CD \[2022\]](#)

a case involving the manslaughter by a son of his mother. Instructed as Junior alone for the Crown.

[R v TO and others \[2021\]](#)

a case involving a murder arising out of a retaliatory shooting by several members of a single family. Instructed as the led junior for the Crown. Convictions for murder secured after trial.

Vehicular Homicide

Notable Vehicular Homicide cases

[R v DJ \[2024\]](#)

a case involving the death of a cyclist following a collision with a lorry.

[R v WC \[2023\]](#)

Simon was instructed as Junior alone to prosecute an allegation of death by careless driving, following a reinvestigation that took place after an initial decision not to charge the defendant.

[R v SA \[2020\]](#)

a case involving a 'hit and run' death of a cyclist.

Serious Sexual Offences

Notable Serious Sexual Offences cases

[R v HH \[2023\]](#)

a case involving sexual offending by a teacher of a young vulnerable pupil.

[R v AB \[2022\]](#)

a case involving sexual offending by a GP on a patient in his surgery.

[R v ZO \[2020\]](#)

a case involving abduction and serious sexual offending by a defendant of a 'stranger'.

[R v P \[2019\]](#)

a case involving historic sexual offending by a solicitor

Firearms

Notable Firearms cases

[R v EL and others \[2023\]](#)

Simon was instructed as Leading Junior to prosecute a case involving the discharge of a shotgun during a running battle in a residential street arising out of a drugs dispute. Convictions secured after trial.

[R v EM and others \[2020\]](#)

Simon was instructed as Leading Junior to prosecute a case which concerned a shooting in a residential estate in Hitchin during which a shotgun and pistol were discharged. Convictions secured after trial.

Memberships

- South-Eastern Circuit

Appointments

- CPS Level 4

Education

- BSc (Hons) Durham University
- Common Professional Examination
- Inns of Court School of Law