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Nicholas is a determined barrister and a fierce advocate. He is regularly instructed to prosecute and defend in criminal and regulatory cases. In the Crown Court, Nicholas has a busy practice in cases involving violence, sexual offences, drugs, dishonesty and confiscation proceedings. Nicholas also has experience representing professionals at regulatory Fitness to Practise Committee proceedings.

Owing to his great client care and communication skills, Nicholas is often chosen to represent clients who have vulnerabilities. At the Coroner's Court, Nicholas represented the family of an elderly man who was killed by a neighbour, known to both mental health services and the police prior to the attack.

Nicholas has experience in disclosure and has taken part in large financial cases whilst on secondment at White & Case LLP. He also regularly acts for HMRC in cash forfeiture hearings and has extensive experience conducting private prosecutions. Shortly after being called to the bar, Nicholas received a Kalisher Award for his essay on Criminal Evidence and Procedure.

Before practising at the Bar, Nicholas gained valuable experience working in the legal, educational, and charity sectors. Having undertaken intensive Japanese studies, Nicholas spent 19 months in Tokyo working in Hogan Lovells and at the Japanese Association of Refugees. Nicholas also completed a Masters in Law and Social Sciences in Cuba on an EU scholarship. Whilst completing an MPhil in Criminology at the University of Cambridge, Nicholas researched Irish Travellers' and Roma Gypsies' perceptions and experiences of the criminal justice system.

Nicholas is currently a member of the Dobbs Review Team considering whether the issues relating to HBOS Reading were investigated and appropriately reported to authorities at the time by LBG, following its acquisition of HBOS.

Notable Cases"]

- **R v B (2019) [Crown Court] Client acquitted of robbery on a vulnerable complainant. Made a successful half-time submission regarding the attribution of expert 'tagging' evidence to his client's movements.**

- **R v A (2019) [Crown Court] Client acquitted of 35k benefit fraud. Involved cross-examination of financial experts relating to financial data spanning 5 years.**
- **R v R (2019) [Crown Court] After pleading guilty to making (possession) of indecent images of a child, client received a community order.**
- **R v M (2019) [Crown Court] Client received a fine after being found guilty of racially aggravated assaulting an emergency worker.**
- **R v B (2019) [Magistrates' Court] Client appealed against the licensing authority's decision to remove a taxi licence. Successfully argued that the client was a fit and proper person. Licence was reinstated.**
- **R v B (2019) (Nursing Midwifery Council) Represented a nurse in his fitness to practise proceedings where the registrant was accused of serious fraud and medicine failures.**

Education

CITY LAW SCHOOL

Bar Professional Training Course

UNIVERSIDAD CENTRAL DE LAS VILLAS: CUBA

Masters in Law and Social Sciences

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: JESUS COLLEGE

MPhil in Criminological Legal Research

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Memberships

Criminal Bar Association (CBA)

Kalisher Trust

Young Legal Aid Lawyers (YLAL)

Young Fraud Lawyers Association (YFLA)