

# JUNIORS' SPOTLIGHT

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Chambers are pleased to launch our **JUNIORS' SPOTLIGHT**: a newsletter that celebrates the remarkable work done by junior members everyday. From successful outcomes in challenging trials to navigating complex legal arguments, our juniors have achieved considerable results in recent months. While these cases may not make national headlines or our usual news feed, they are a testament to the skill, tenacity and excellence that run through the heart of Chambers as a result of the hard work of our members and instructing solicitors. They reflect an essential part of our practice and growth.

## NEWS

### DAVID YOUNG

- Defended a lorry driver unanimously acquitted of attempted facilitation under the Immigration Act 1971, having fallen victim to immigrants concealing themselves in his lorry.

### STEVEN BALL

- Prosecuted an on-line grooming case where the defendant was jailed for life for violently raping and sexually assaulting three young victims.

## **BETHAN ROGERS**

- Represented a defendant acquitted of rape and non-sexual violence. The case involved three years of text messages and extensive legal argument over bad character evidence.
- Acquittals in a case of alleged sexual abuse among siblings, with difficult legal argument concerning s.41 of the YJCEA 1999 and non-defendant bad character.

## **ANEURIN BREWER**

- Represented a defendant acquitted of two counts of sexual abuse of a 10-year-old child.
- Reduced the period of disqualification from driving of a defendant sentenced six years before on the basis of his early release from prison, appointed by the Registrar of the Court of Appeal.
- Appeared on behalf of a defendant acquitted in a case involving the shooting of a home in a dispute between criminal groups.
- Represented a defendant acquitted of three counts of attempted murder on the basis of psychiatric evidence, after he drove his car at three schoolchildren.
- Represented a defendant acquitted in under two hours of repeatedly sexually assaulting a house guest.

## **GENEVIEVE REED**

- Successful application to dismiss two counts alleging s.18 stabbings against the defendant's ex-partner.
- Represented a defendant acquitted of s.18 using a metal pole.
- Represented a defendant acquitted of s.18 with a baseball bat and pickaxe.
- Appeared in three separate trials where each defendant was acquitted of allegations of rape and assault by penetration.
- Represented a defendant who was acquitted of sexually abusing his 6-year-old daughter.
- Secured the acquittal of a well-known musician

charged with dangerous dog-related offences, after two adults sustained serious injuries from dogs identified as pit bull types.

### **ANITA CLIFFORD**

- Drafted submissions that led to the removal of a client's past fraud conviction and summary from the World Check database, restoring their ability to open business bank accounts.

### **ANDREW HERD**

- Represented a defendant acquitted in a complex conspiracy case involving approximately £1 million in stolen property.
- Represented a major food manufacturing business (with a turnover of over £150 million) in an environmental prosecution, resulting in a significantly reduced fine.
- Prosecuted a high-profile multiple wounding case at a central London hotel, with the defendant convicted of s.18.

### **HANNAH WILLIAMS**

- Defended a person acquitted of rape, sexual activity with a child and witness intimidation. The allegations dated back to 2010 and 2011.
- Defended in contested POCA proceedings involving an application for a confiscation order of about £100,000. Following argument, the final confiscation order was made at just over £1,000.

### **FRANCESCA KIRBY**

- Defended a person unanimously acquitted following charges of controlling and coercive behaviour, intentional non-fatal strangulation and assault by beating.

### **NICHOLAS HALL**

- Represented a person charged with inflicting cruelty to a child in the form of sustained violence and neglect. After two hours of deliberation, the jury unanimously acquitted the client.

## **KATIE BACON**

- Defended a person charged with assaulting an emergency worker and assault by beating; acquitted after the officer conceded an alternative cause of injury and self-defence was raised.
- Represented a person who received a suspended sentence order, following two dwelling burglaries and two thefts at the home of businesswoman, Karren Brady.

## **THEODORE BURGESS**

- In his first Crown Court trial since becoming a tenant, he represented a person acquitted of strangulation, assault and multiple thefts.