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Jodie-Jane Hitchcock is an experienced junior in all areas of criminal law, with a particular focus on organised crime.

She is regularly instructed in cases involving large-scale drug supply, complex fraud, serious violence and dishonesty.

Jodie is a Level 3 on the CPS Advocate Panel List.

Expertise

Organised Crime

Jodie is regularly instructed as junior alone or in two-counsel cases involving substantial drug importation and supply, together with gang-related offending. She is also regularly instructed in other offences involving organised crime, including allegations of people-smuggling, kidnap and blackmail.

Notable Organised Crime cases

Operation Venetic

Junior alone for defendant charged with the large-scale manufacture and onward supply of MDMA and ketamine involving the use of 'Encro' phones.

Operation Froxfield

Junior alone for defendant alleged to have gang links charged with conspiracy to supply Class A drugs.

R v JT

Junior alone for the first defendant alleged to have been running various drugs lines to supply Class A drugs and recruiting juveniles to run them on his behalf.

Operation Elf

Junior alone for defendant charged along with more than 20 others of supplying Class A drugs across Essex.

R v MP

Junior alone for defendant alleged to have been part of an organised gang in the Midlands burgling houses and targeting high-value cars which were stolen from driveways.

Operation Cedar

Junior alone for one of 10 defendants charged with conspiracy to steal/burgle. Involved the professional targeting of ATM machines and garages across the East of England to steal cash and thousands of cigarettes.

Operation Halmist

Junior alone for the first defendant, a well-known grime artist, alleged to have been the head of a large county lines drug dealing operation between London, Kent and Essex.

Operation Hyrax

Junior alone for a defendant charged alongside 12 others with people trafficking. Involved organising the illegal entry of Vietnamese nationals to the UK.

Operation Horizon

Junior alone for defendant alleged to have been involved in county lines supply of Class A drugs from the Midlands to Barrow-in-Furness.

Operation Petral

Junior alone for the first defendant alleged to have been involved in a large-scale conspiracy to supply Class A drugs across the North of England.

R v TM

Led junior in case involving a conspiracy to facilitate the breach of immigration laws, representing the driver of a lorry who was alleged to have assisted in the illegal entry of 35 refugees in a container, one of whom died in transit.

R v UB

Junior alone for the first defendant in a case in which the prosecution alleged that the defendant was involved in the supply of more than 50kgs of cocaine.

Operation Heatful

Led junior for the first defendant alleged to have been involved in the large-scale importation of cocaine from Albania and its onward supply within the UK.

R v TS

Led junior for the first defendant alleged to have organised the kidnap of another, who was held hostage for a number of days on an industrial estate whilst ransom demands were made of his family.

Confiscation and Asset Recovery

Jodie is often instructed in Proceeds of Crime Applications flowing from drug or fraud trials. She is also regularly instructed in cases in which she did not act in the original proceedings.

Notable Confiscation and Asset Recovery cases

R v AA

Ongoing confiscation proceedings for defendant convicted of Class A drug conspiracy. Benefit figure of more than £600,000 sought by the Prosecution.

R v AJ

Acted solely in the confiscation proceedings following defendant's conviction for various counts of benefit fraud involving approximately £200,000. Defendant featured in BBC documentary at the time.

Fraud & Money Laundering

Jodie often acts in high-profile fraud cases and has experience of prosecutions brought by the Serious Fraud Office and Financial Conduct Authority.

Notable Fraud & Money Laundering cases

R v RH

Junior alone for defendant charged with defrauding an elderly lady for whom she cared of her life savings (approximately £300,000). Case involved extensive banking evidence and forensic accounting reports.

Operation Carnival

Conspiracy to commit fraud and money laundering offences arising out of a large-scale travelcard fraud committed against TfL, with an estimated potential loss of £19.7m.

Operation Midas

Junior counsel in case involving allegations of fraudulent trading arising out of alleged multimillion-pound misallocation of grant funding from the Welsh Assembly.

Operation Action

Junior alone for the first defendant in a conspiracy to defraud various train operating companies over a period of five years through the 'Delay Repay' scheme, and the onward laundering of the proceeds.

Operation Tarlac

Junior counsel for the first defendant in a case involving a conspiracy to defraud the National Health Service and various local authorities across the country of more than £12m. The proceeds of the fraud were then alleged to have been laundered out of the jurisdiction and invested in various enterprises and companies across the Middle East.

Murder and Manslaughter

Jodie has an ever-growing practice in cases involving homicide and is regularly instructed by professional clients from the point of charge.

Notable Murder and Manslaughter cases

R v JR

Junior counsel for defendant charged with the murder of a young man stabbed in Croydon.

R v MB

Junior counsel for defendant charged with the murder of a fellow resident in a hostel.

R v KP

Junior counsel for defendant charged with murder after stabbing her boyfriend following a heated domestic argument.

Operation Fjord-Mike

Junior counsel for first defendant charged alongside three others with the violent murder of a vulnerable adult.

Operation Dynasty

Junior counsel in a case involving false imprisonment and manslaughter arising out of an alleged 'Black Money' fraud. Trial involved pathology, extensive telephone/cell-site evidence, and voice recognition.

R v WH

Junior counsel in multi-handed conspiracy to murder and firearms trial lasting three months. Case involved significant telephone and cell-site evidence, expert firearms evidence related to cartridge wadding and firearms discharge residue, and legal argument over purported gang association.

Road Traffic & Motoring Offences

Jodie is often instructed in cases involving prosecutions for driving offences.

Notable Road Traffic & Motoring Offences cases

R v DB

Defendant charged with 19 counts of causing serious injury by dangerous driving, and bodily harm through wanton and

furious driving, following a collision at an informal car meet where numerous spectators were injured.

Violence

Jodie is regularly instructed to defend in cases involving serious violence.

Notable Violence cases

R v ST

Defendant charged with s.18 following allegation that he stabbed another man twice; once to the face cutting his cheek through to the jaw, and a second blow to the arm down to the bone.

R v KS

Counsel for defendant charged with s.18 in which vulnerable complainant alleged to have been seriously assaulted and held hostage whilst injured in his own home.

R v JM

Represented one of three defendants charged with aggravated burglary involving the use of firearms and a loaded sawn-off shotgun.

R v EB

Represented the first of five defendants charged with knife-point robbery during which the complainant was stabbed.

R v RP

Represented the first defendant in a case in which it was alleged that the defendant had slashed his uncle to the face using a large knife.

Memberships

- Criminal Bar Association
- South Eastern Circuit

- The Honourable Society of Middle Temple
- The Extradition Lawyer's Association
- Treasurer of the North London Bar Mess

Languages

- Spanish
- French