

# Saul Herman

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Saul Herman is an experienced junior with a focus on financial crime for both defence and prosecution.

He has been instructed by the Serious Fraud Office as junior counsel in proceedings leading to a Deferred Prosecution Agreement and in investigations of individuals. Saul is included on the SFO's "B" Panel List for Fraud and is currently instructed in relation to a complex ongoing investigation with a national media profile.

Saul also prosecutes for the CPS where he has dealt with a range of cases from child abuse to drugs supply.

On the defence side he has undertaken equally serious cases from a £30 million fraud to allegations of rape, firearms, kidnap and conspiracies to supply. As well as an ability to master paper-heavy cases, Saul is known for his personable manner and commitment to client service.

Those skills are put to good use outside the court room as Saul regularly teaches other advocates through the Inner Temple, and internationally for the Inns of Court College of Advocacy he has taught Police Prosecutors in Belize, law students in Kenya and Prosecutors at the International Criminal Court in the Hague.

## Expertise

### Bribery & Corruption

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Saul spent three years instructed for the SFO on the landmark case of *SFO v Rolls-Royce Plc* and the subsequent investigation of individuals. Saul is able to draw on that experience in advising companies and individuals in respect of the application of the Bribery Act 2010 and receives work for the defence and prosecution.

## Notable Bribery & Corruption cases

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SFO v Rolls-Royce Plc [2017] 1 WLUK 189

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He appeared for the SFO as a second junior. He was led by Sir Edward Garnier KC, Richard Whitham KC and Chris Foulkes.

The allegations of bribery and corruption resolved spanned six different jurisdictions and allegations of offences under both the Prevention of Corruption Act 1906 and the Bribery Act 2010.

The Deferred Prosecution Agreement and costs entailed the payment by Rolls-Royce of over £500 million and the DPA was concluded alongside resolutions of similar allegations by the US Department of Justice and the Brazilian Ministério Público Federal.

The approval of the DPA by the President of the Queen's Bench Division was then only the third DPA to have concluded since the passage of the Crime and Courts Act 2013 and remains one of the most significant settlements of this kind.

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## Fraud & Money Laundering

Saul has considerable experience in fraud and money laundering, with a proven ability to quickly master paper-heavy cases. His extensive experience for the SFO proves invaluable in advising individuals facing serious allegations of dishonesty.

### Notable Fraud & Money Laundering cases

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SFO investigation

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Currently instructed by the SFO in relation to an ongoing investigation as a second junior to advise on charge and with responsibility for disclosure. The case has a national media profile and is factually and legally complex.

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R v M (Southwark Crown Court)

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Junior representing the second defendant in a £30m mortgage fraud case lasting six months.

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K v G

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instructed to advise and resolve a private prosecution commenced between former business partners in relation to allegations of fraud.

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## Organised Crime

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Saul has been instructed in a range of cases alleging the involvement of organised crime groups and requiring a range of technical and expert evidence to be challenged, such as cell-site, covert recordings, firearms and DNA evidence.

### Notable Organised Crime cases

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R v RD – Operation Habigras

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lead junior defending a firearms allegation.

R v MNA – Operation Consus

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lead junior defending a double kidnapping case involving a SOCPA witness.

R v X – Operation Glenlivet

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instructed for the defence in respect of a county lines drugs conspiracy. Defendant said to control the drugs line.

R v Y – Operation Dot

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instructed for the first defendant in respect of a double machete attack.

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## Road Traffic & Motoring Offences

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Saul is also part of Chambers' road traffic team and is regularly instructed in these cases. He has repeatedly and successfully argued both special reasons and exceptional hardship to save clients' driving licences. He has also obtained a number of acquittals on allegations such as dangerous driving, drink driving, and other offences.

## Serious Sexual Offences

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Saul is acknowledged as a skilful and sensitive advocate in the handling of these difficult cases.

## Notable Serious Sexual Offences cases

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R v A (Southwark Crown Court)

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Operation Petunia – lead junior for the first of ten defendants charged with a series of rapes on a single teenage complainant. The case involved extensive challenge to the Crown’s conduct of the disclosure exercise. Saul advanced submissions on behalf of all defendants which lead on to the Crown offering no evidence.

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R v B (Central Criminal Court)

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Defending the first of two defendants charged with rapes of a complainant said to be groomed during her time in care.

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## Memberships

- Inner Temple
- Criminal Bar Association
- South Eastern Circuit
- Justice
- 3TG pupillage committee
- 3TG tenancy committee