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## Shanice Mahmud

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## Shanice Mahmud both prosecutes and defends in cases across the entire spectrum of the criminal law.

She represents those charged with drugs, violence, weapons, dishonesty, public order and sexual offences, and frequently undertakes instructions in a wide variety of road traffic act matters. She accepts both private and public instructions and appears regularly in the Crown, Youth and Magistrates' courts.

Shanice has undertaken a secondment with, and continues to be instructed by, the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) wherein she conducts regulatory proceedings concerning matters of fraud, misconduct and lack of competence. Her experience at the NMC naturally lends itself to accepting instructions from the full gamut of regulatory bodies.

She also acts in a broad range of civil matters including SHPO, DVPO and CBO proceedings, and has been instructed in both Fare Evasion interviews and Closure Order applications.

Shanice has a keen interest in advocating for young and vulnerable defendants and will always ensure that all her clients are comprehensively guided through the criminal justice process. She is an approachable advocate who has represented clients from all walks of life. She instils confidence in everyone she represents and is unwavering in her ambition to achieve the best outcome.

## Expertise

## Organised Crime

Shanice has appeared for both the defence and prosecution in numerous cases of Organised Crime, Violent Crime, Road Traffic, Motoring \& Transport Offences, Sexual Crime and Public Order Act Offences.

## Notable Organised Crime cases

## Operation Hartford (2022)

Ipswich Crown Court - Ongoing case. Led junior for D1 who is charged with armed robbery, aggravated burglary, kidnapping, blackmail and two counts of false imprisonment.

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R v JS (2020)
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Inner London Crown Court - Secured a suspended sentence for JS who was charged with sixteen counts of supplying class A drugs. JS had been charged as part of Operation Citheros Phase 2.

R v MR (2019)

Peterborough Crown Court - MR was sentenced to three years' and eight months' imprisonment for his part in a largescale, joint enterprise "ram-raid" commercial burglary in which $£ 90,000$ was stolen and extensive damage caused to a Co-Operative building. The sentencing judge initially considered taking a starting point of 10 years based on the seriousness of the offence, MR's numerous relevant previous convictions and MR being on licence at the time of committing the offence.

## Violent Crime

## Notable Violent Crime cases

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Rv OJ (2021)
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Wood Green Crown Court - Secured the acquittal of OJ on two charges of attempted robbery and one of robbery. The prosecution added two of the counts onto the indictment mid-trial and the jury acquitted unanimously on all counts.

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R v LZ (2021)
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Highbury Corner Youth Court - LZ, charged alongside another for making threats with a bladed article, was acquitted after a successful submission of no case to answer.

R v NM (2020)

Romford Magistrates' Court - NM was acquitted of domestic assault against his wife following a successful half time submission, in a case in which the complainant and her mother gave evidence against the defendant.

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R v TH (2019)

Central Criminal Court - TH was acquitted of possession of a bladed article after running a successful defence of reasonable excuse at trial.

R v SC (2018)

Bexley Magistrates' Court - Secured the only acquittal in a trial in which SC was one of four defendants charged with assaulting a vulnerable youth living in supported accommodation.

## Public Order Act \& Miscellaneous Offences

## Notable Public Order Act \& Miscellaneous Offences cases

R v NM (2021)

Folkestone Magistrates' Court - Secured the acquittal of NM, an ex-army solider on a protest charged with s. 5 POA.

R v RBC (2019)

Stevenage Magistrates' Court - RBC was charged with multiple breaches of a community protection notice and acquitted of all counts after trial.

R v CS (2019)

Romford Magistrates' Court - CS was acquitted of four counts of 'taking a child in care' after a submission of no case to answer. Successfully argued that multiple breaches of the defendant's 'CAWN' notice did not amount to commission of the offence.

R v LH (2019)

Northampton Magistrates' Court - LH was charged with harassment of a former employer. Secured LH's acquittal after three Crown witnesses gave evidence against LH at trial.

## Road Traffic, Motoring \& Transport Offences

## Notable Road Traffic, Motoring \& Transport Offences cases

TfL v AR (2020)

Lavender Hill Magistrates' Court - AR was charged with failing to produce a valid train ticket and had been convicted and sentenced in absence. After a successful application to reopen proceedings, the Crown subsequently offered no evidence.

R v LC (2019)

Norwich Crown Court - LC had been disqualified from driving under the 'totting' provisions. Upon appealing his sentence, LC's disqualification was quashed after a successful exceptional hardship argument.

## Memberships

- The Honourable Society of The Middle Temple
- Criminal Bar Association
- Young Legal Aid Lawyers

