



Practice Profile

Miss Thompson's specialism is serious crime, across the full spectrum of criminality, predominantly but not exclusively for defence teams. Miss Thompson has experience of being led by Queen's Counsel, acting as lead Counsel herself or appearing alone.

She has a wealth of experience and has been instructed in some of the most complex and high profile trials of the past decade with a focus on organised crime and large-scale multi-handed conspiracies. She is noted for her strong advocacy and her client care.

Recently, her main area of practice has been concentrated on offences of homicide, manslaughter, serious violence, firearms offences, high value drugs conspiracies and large scale fraud and matters involving asset recovery.

Pauline is frequently instructed for the defence in cases involving serious sexual offending.

Areas of Practice

- General Crime
- Homicide & Corporate Manslaughter
- Serious & Organised Crime
- Appellate
- Confiscation, Civil Recovery & Asset Forfeiture
- Public Access
- Fraud & Financial Crime
- Regulatory & Professional Discipline
- Sexual Offences

Recent Cases

R v. M & M [Woolwich] 2015

Fraud by Abuse of Position

Pieter Briegel led Pauline Thompson in a prosecution brought by NHS Protect. The defendant was alleged to have stolen £300,000 from her employer whilst working for the NHS. The husband was said to have acquired the criminal property. Significant quantity of evidence served (over 10,000 pages). Instructed by Thomas Boyd Whyte.