



Practice Profile

Senghin specialises in financial crime, mostly in high profile cases brought by the SFO or the FCA. He is ranked as a leading barrister by Chambers & Partners and Legal 500.

Senghin takes pride in giving each client his very best. They value his ability to deal with the largest investigations, which usually require years of work. He understands the demands of litigation where the stakes are at their highest, so he takes on only a small number of cases at any one time. He acts for individuals, corporates, prosecuting authorities and private prosecutors.

Senghin's current and previous instructions include:

- Acting for the SFO in the prosecution of 2 former Petrofac senior executives charged with bribery in relation to contracts worth over \$3 billion (*press release*);
- Acting for the first defendant in a prosecution brought by the FCA in relation to alleged insider dealing (*press release*);
- Acting for the SFO in the prosecution of a trader charged with fraud by abuse of position and money laundering (*press release*);
- Defending in fraud prosecutions brought by the SFO (*press release*) and The Pensions Regulator (*press release*) relating to high value investment schemes;
- Defending the solicitor accused of perverting the course of justice in the aftermath of the Hillsborough disaster (*judgment*). This was a case requiring 4 years of sustained work for which the investigations were described by the CPS as "the largest in English criminal history";
- Representing former Royal Marine Sergeant Alexander Blackman in his application to the Criminal Cases Review Commission and landmark second appeal against conviction for murder which was funded by a campaign run by a national newspaper and spearheaded by the author Frederick Forsyth (*Blackman [2017] EWCA Crim 190*);
- Representing a doctor in the first contempt proceedings brought against a medical expert, which arose from an exaggerated claim for personal injuries. The judgment on appeal is now the leading authority on the proper approach to sentencing for contempt arising from the making of false witness statements (*LVI v Zafar [2019] EWCA Civ 392*).

Senghin is well-placed to provide an end-to-end service from the pre-litigation stage through to trial, appeal and/or confiscation:

- He is often instructed to advise on charging decisions, representations against charge, search warrants and other investigatory orders, restraint orders and challenging such decisions, including by judicial review;
- He has substantial trial experience and has appeared in prominent appeals in both divisions of the Court of Appeal;
- He is sought out for his expertise in civil and criminal proceedings under the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 where large sums are involved, usually for corporate clients;
- He is a specialist in the niche field of contempt, where he has acted for corporate claimants and for defendants in a range of cases from alleged false witness statements to breaches of freezing injunctions.

Selected quotes from the leading legal directories appear below:

- "A brilliant all-round lawyer, who is great on paper and highly imaginative." *Chambers & Partners 2024*
- "He is super bright and brings an intellectual approach to his work." *Chambers & Partners 2024*
- "Senghin has a brilliant mind and is able to digest large amounts of material, which he distils to its core and presents attractively." *Legal 500 2024*
- "Senghin is excellent and his attention to detail is exceptional." *Chambers & Partners 2023*
- "He has a phenomenal legal brain and very quickly gets to grips with the facts of a case. His preparation is unparalleled." *Chambers & Partners 2020*

Areas of Practice

- Civil
- Confiscation, Civil Recovery & Asset Forfeiture
- Public Access
- Extradition
- Financial & Corporate Crime
- General Crime
- Prosecution
- Road Traffic
- Serious & Organised Crime
- Homicide
- Cyber Crime
- Regulatory & Professional Discipline
- Military Law
- 5KBW Criminal Appeals
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What The Directories Say

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Prosecution Panel Appointments

Senghin has been appointed to the following prosecution advocate panels:

- SFO Prosecution B Panel
- CPS Specialist Fraud Panel Level 3
- CPS Serious Crime Panel Level 3
- CPS General Crime Panel Level 3

Education

BVC; CPE; Philosophy, Politics and Economics, M.A. (Oxon), Balliol College.

Regulatory

Senghin is a barrister regulated by the Bar Standards Board.

Senghin accepts instructions under The Standard Contractual Terms for the Supply of Legal Services by Barristers to Authorised Persons 2020 unless otherwise agreed. A full copy of these terms is available [here](#).

For lay clients who instruct Senghin through a solicitor, his client information leaflet may be downloaded [here](#).

In appropriate cases, Senghin may accept instructions directly from members of the public.

More information on instructing Senghin may be found [here](#).

Senghin's Privacy Policy may be downloaded [here](#).

Recent Cases
