



GARDEN COURT CHAMBERS

Daniel Jameson

YEAR OF CALL: 2004



Daniel's only focus is defending. Daniel has always believed that his primary role as counsel is to protect the individual against the state by representing those that cannot represent themselves and to do so to the best of his ability.

Meticulous in his preparation, Daniel leaves no stone unturned when it comes to brief handling in both his grasp of the facts and legal expertise. He is relaxed and disarming in conference, yet he invokes confidence in those that he represents by his ruthless and single-minded approach to defending their case. His judgment is impeccable and can be seen in both his approach to cross-examination and delivering his closing speech. Daniel has established a firm reputation for working tirelessly to ensure every assistance and support is provided to defendants, solicitors and leading counsel in the preparation and execution of the case.

Daniel Jameson is first and foremost a specialist criminal defence advocate and is regularly instructed in cases involving murder, conspiracy to murder, attempted murder, other serious violence, fraud and drugs.

"Daniel is one of the hardest working senior juniors at the criminal Bar. He has a tactically astute brain and a wonderfully eloquent use of the English language."

LEGAL 500, 2024

"He has the very rare combination of being highly intelligent, supremely charming and a true gladiator."

LEGAL 500, 2024

"Daniel is exceptionally able and loved by clients. He's got a really finely attuned legal sense of what can and can't be argued."

CHAMBERS UK, 2024 (CRIME)

"Fights really hard and will give every last ounce for his client. His forte is to fight endlessly, doing everything that it takes to succeed."

CHAMBERS UK, 2023 (CRIME)

"A hard-working and honest advocate who is consistently instructed in high-quality, high-profile cases."

CHAMBERS UK, 2022 (CRIME)

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NOTABLE CASES

As Lead Counsel

Instructed as leading counsel in a 6-week multi-handed case involving the heavily publicised ‘Southall Funfair Murder’ involving conspiracy to commit grievous bodily harm with intent and violent disorder.

Lead counsel in a 4-week trial said to involve the targeted armed robbery between rival gangs. Evidence revolved around mobile phone attribution, cell site, DNA and the improper identification of the defendant from CCTV leading to extensive legal argument.

As Led Junior

Murder

Operation R – Central Criminal Court – Defendant charged with murder and attempted murder with 4 others arising from a series of attacks in Wood Green. The background of the offences is said to be the ongoing violence between rival gangs. The defendant was 16 years old at the time of the offences.

Operation R – Central Criminal Court – Defendant charged with murder of a youth, stabbed to death in central London. The deceased was said to have links to gangs where the offence was said to be the culmination of a series of reprisal offences.

Operation B – Central Criminal Court – Conspiracy to Murder. The defendant was charged with 3 counts of conspiracy to murder (contract killings). The targets were said to be members of rival organised crime groups. The defendant was said to have conducted surveillance, sourced firearms and recruited others to the operation. The case involved, speech and audio analysis, lip reading and linguist expert evidence.

Operation S – Central Criminal Court – Instructed as junior counsel representing a defendant charged with murder. The defendant shot four times towards the deceased and his associates. The cases involved the challenge of DNA evidence and substantial work on mobile phone attribution.

Operation S – Central Criminal Court – Instructed as junior counsel representing a defendant charged with murder arising from an aggravated burglary of a cannabis factory.

Operation SD – Central Criminal Court – Instructed as junior in this case where a very young defendant who was said to have murdered a 17-year-old boy on a London bus and attempted to rob him shortly thereafter.

The defendant (who had a previous conviction for possessing a bladed article) accepted carrying a large hunting knife at the time and on previous occasions. He admitted lying to the police pre-charge that the knife came from the deceased. The matter involved a significant disclosure exercise, culminating in a successful section 8 application. The entire incident was captured on closed-circuit television and several eyewitnesses gave evidence during the trial (one, subject to an anonymity order).

Operation T – Central Criminal Court – Instructed as junior counsel for a very young defendant charged with murder. Police received a call from an eye-witness who told the operator that his friend had been stabbed in the stomach. Police attended and found the deceased. The prosecution case was that the defendant murdered the deceased during a robbery arising from a drug deal.

Operation N – Central Criminal Court – Instructed as junior counsel in a murder involving the shooting of a local man that was attempted to disrupt the drug dealing operation of the defendants.

Other homicide cases:

A case involving a young defendant (16) at the Central Criminal Court charged with beating a homeless man to death.

An attempted murder trial involving a background of the importation of significant quantities of cocaine. The issues centred on eyewitness and expert ballistic evidence.

An attempted murder trial involving the significant preparation and cross-examination of the prosecution's blood spatter expert (victim stabbed 14 times).

As Junior Alone

Operation H – Central Criminal Court – Attempted Murder. Defendant acquitted after a 3-week trial where he admitted shooting a loaded firearm into a fast-food restaurant window. It was said that rival gang members were congregating there and were the targets. The matter involved a contested application to vacate plea.

Operation X – Central Criminal Court – Attempted Murder. The defendant charged with attempted murder. This matter involved a sustained knife attack by the defendant upon his wife and their three young daughters (all under 12).

R v T – Central Criminal Court – Attempted murder. This case involved what was said to be a gang attack, involving a brutal knife attack on a busy commuter train by the three co-defendants, using 'Rambo' knives. The complainant suffered numerous stab wounds such that he was said to be 'very lucky to be alive'.

Represented the first defendant in a 7 handed 4-week cutthroat trial charged with section 18 GBH and possession of firearms & ammunition.

Represented the first defendant in a 5-week trial involving the supplying of firearms, the defendant charged with possession of firearms with intent to endanger life.

Represented first defendant charged with conspiracy to cause explosions. Instructed in a 4-week trial, defendant charged with kidnap and blackmail.

FRAUD, BRIBERY & CORRUPTION

NOTABLE CASES

Led by Queen's Counsel in Operation Hornet (HBOS), a trial lasting five and half months in a high profile prosecution of directors at HBOS and others arising out of a corruption connected to the impaired assets division over a 4-year period. The case involved a loss of over £1/4 billion. Represented the defendant at sentence due to leading counsel's unavailability.

Instructed as led junior in a multi-million-pound fraud and money laundering case involving issues of criminality in foreign jurisdictions revolving around complex company structures.

Instructed as led junior to represent solicitor charged with mortgage fraud in a 2-month trial in Birmingham.

OTHER EXPERTISE

Led junior for the second defendant in the heavily reported, 3-month, 'Traveller slavery trial'. Defending in the first prosecution for slavery in the UK since the early 19th century.

TRAINING AND SEMINARS

Lectures

‘Confiscation in Crown Court Proceedings and Section 23 Applications’ presented to ‘Her Majesty’s Court Service’s Legal Advisors Forum’. (CPD accredited)

‘Confiscation, Past and Present’: Co-author – presented to solicitors and counsel practising on the Northern Circuit. (CPD accredited)

‘Enforcement of Confiscation Orders in the Magistrates’ Court’: Furnival Chambers Lecture series (CPD accredited)

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