



# Ruby Selva

YEAR OF CALL: 1999



Ruby has built a fierce reputation defending serious, complex and high-profile cases, including trials involving attempted murder, violence, drugs, sexual allegations, firearms and fraud.

Ruby is known for her feisty but firm and no-nonsense approach in Court and against her opposition. She has an incredibly detailed forensic eye. Combing through unused material, cross-referencing with Statements and Exhibits, and her own research to build the foundations for effective and concise cross-examination. She leaves no stone unturned.

Her strengths are in her preparation, her tenacity in Court in legal arguments, her well-executed cross-examination (to include expert witnesses called by the Crown), persuasive and moving closing speeches.

Ruby is ranked as a Leading Junior for Crime in the Legal 500 2023.

Ruby Selva is a criminal defence barrister of 23 years call with a wealth of experience in sensitive cases.

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## CRIMINAL DEFENCE

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Ruby has built a fierce reputation defending in serious criminal cases. She is known for defending those particularly vulnerable in wider society and especially those now in the criminal justice system.

Ruby is known for her sensitive handling of those that she represents, ensuring that she puts forward their best defence in court proceedings.

## NOTABLE CASES

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### ***R v F***

Judge granted a 'stay of indictment' after a 5-day legal argument on a niche area of law.

### ***R v R***

At Court Marital. Succeeding in an application of no case to answer at the conclusion of the prosecution case for just a second time in the Judge's career.

### ***R v M***

Judge directed acquittal. Vulnerable client and complainant. Client prosecuted for offences under the Mental Defective Act.

### ***R v X***

Gang relating violence, the client was charged as the main aggressor and director of the violence with weapons. Judge directed acquittal at the conclusion of the Crown's case.

### ***R v B and oths***

County lines conspiracy. Guiding an application, NRM. When this failed, Ruby achieved a non-custodial sentence for her client.

## ***R v C and oths***

Conspiracy to rob £3 million worth of jewellery. Representing the first defendant.

## ***R v P***

Acquittal of sexual allegations, multi complainants.

## **EDUCATION**

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University of Exeter

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

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Southeast Circuit Criminal Bar Association

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