



## VITTORIA TRIGILIO

Year of call  
2013

Vittoria Trigilio has a strong criminal practice, primarily defending on a broad range of matters including murder, fraud, confiscation (where she represents both defendants and interested parties in confiscation proceedings), serious violence, firearms, drugs and public disorder. She is regularly instructed in serious cases in the Crown Court and has appeared in the Court of Appeal.

Vittoria has experience representing defendants who are young or vulnerable and accepts instructions on both a publicly funded and private basis.

Vittoria's diligent and robust approach means that she is trusted by both clients and solicitors when faced with challenging cases. She has experience of dealing with cases that generate media interest.

Vittoria appeared in the case of *R v Salih* [2020] EWCA Crim 658, where the court provided guidance on the proper approach to classification of prohibited articles in prison.

Vittoria is fully bilingual in Italian and has a good working knowledge of French. She is presently learning Russian.

## LEGAL EXPERTISE

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### Financial Crime

Vittoria has a meticulous approach and advises on case preparation and strategy from very early stages in proceedings. She is familiar with post-conviction confiscation proceedings, including cash seizure and forfeiture and confiscation enforcement. She is also conversant with Restraint Orders and AFOs.

## Selected Cases

### R v D & Others (2019) (Southwark CC)

Led junior in complex, multi-handed confiscation proceedings where the prosecution were arguing for benefit of £3.5 million and hidden assets. Successful argument led to a nominal order being made and a benefit finding of under £200,000. Led by Rachel Darby.

### R v W (2018) (Northampton CC)

Acted for the defendant's wife as an interested party in confiscation proceedings, safeguarding her beneficial interests.

### R v H (2018) (Woolwich CC)

Represented defendant charged with fraud and handling stolen goods, resulting in the Crown offering no evidence on the day of trial.

### R v S (2018) (Central Criminal Court)

Instructed on behalf of the defendant's wife as an interested party in confiscation proceedings.

### R v S (2018) (Snaresbrook CC)

Secured a suspended sentence for client who pleaded guilty to money laundering.

### R v F (2017) (Bristol CC)

Sentencing for two counts of money laundering and one count of possession of an ID document with intent for a client with a large number of previous convictions, including three previous convictions for fraud. Representations made to the Crown resulted in no evidence being offered on a further count of fraud despite seemingly strong evidence.

## Crime

Vittoria has a particular interest in cases involving violent and organised crime. She is well versed in cases involving forensic, telephone and medical evidence. She is especially experienced in representing defendants with mental health issues and complex needs in serious cases.

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### R v N & others (2020) Warwick CC

Led junior in a gang-related murder. Vittoria's client was unanimously acquitted of all charges. Led by James

House QC.

The case was reported by the BBC.

## R v L (2020) (Kingston CC)

Successfully represented client charged with possession of a firearm with intent to endanger life.

## R v X (2020) (Croydon CC)

Avoided an extended sentence in a case where the defendant had stabbed a stranger in the back as he was running away, resulting in severe chest injuries.

## R v C (2019) (Aylesbury CC)

Represented client charged with attempted 'cash in transit' robbery and firearms offences. Following service of abuse of process argument, the Crown offered no evidence.

## R v S & Another (2019) (Kingston CC)

Successfully represented defendant charged with drugs and firearms offences.

## R v G (2019) (Snaresbrook CC)

Acted for vulnerable client charged with arson with intent to endanger life, resulting in a plea to the simple offence being accepted. Following pleas, dealt with complex disposal exercise.

## R v C (2019) (Aylesbury CC)

Represented client charged with firearms offences. Following legal argument, the prosecution offered no evidence after the trial had started.

## R v T & Others (2018) (Nottingham CC)

Acted for youth defendant in a multi-handed s.18 involving multiple stab wounds. Successfully negotiated a plea to ABH.

## R v P (2018) (Maidstone CC)

Acted for defendant charged with "revenge porn", resulting in the Crown offering no evidence on the day of trial.

## R v K (2018) (Snaresbrook CC)

Acted for the main defendant in a two-handed trial for attempted robbery. The Crown were persuaded not to proceed against this defendant on the day of trial.

## R v A (2018) (Inner London CC)

The Crown did not proceed with trial for burglary and attempted burglary following the service of submissions on PACE breaches and the admissibility of the evidence.

## R v S (2017) (Uxbridge MC)

Successful submission of no case to answer on a charge of supply a of psychoactive substance (consisting of 1920 individual canisters of Nitrous Oxide).