

# Roderick Jones

**YEAR OF CALL 1983**

Rod is a defence advocate having practiced at the self-employed and the employed bar. Consequently he has an experienced awareness of the needs and pressures at all stages of representation.



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## Career Overview

He has led and been led in complex cases of murder, serious cases of sexual offences, drugs and complex fraud. He is a respected and accomplished advocate whose practice encompasses all areas of serious crime. He is a committed barrister with a strong sense of justice which tries to pursue with a down to earth approach.

Rod builds a strong rapport with both lay and professional clients, based on industry, attention to detail, strategic acuity and tactical good sense. He has an effective courtroom manner and gives sensible, realistic advice in a straightforward and uncompromising manner. He is responsive, calm under pressure and has an ability to connect with all throughout proceedings.

Rod has appeared in the Court of Appeal on numerous occasions, successfully overturning convictions and reducing sentences. He has been instructed to provide advice and conduct appeals in cases where he was not trial counsel.

## Area of Practice

Murder/Manslaughter/Serious Acts of Violence

Drug Trafficking/Importation

Fraud/Conspiracy/Money Laundering

Serious Sex Offences/Historical/Young, Vulnerable Defendants and Complainants

## Notable Cases

### **Callan & others Croydon CC**

Drugs – importation of class B through Gatwick Airport facilitated by ground crew (baggage handlers) gang . Acting for “Financer.” Confiscation proceedings. In C of A C’s sentence was reduced on ground findings of liability in confiscation could not justify increase in sentence for index offence.

### **B & another Peterborough CC**

Fraud – Use of phoenix companies to facilitate boiler room fraud.

### **Chen & others Southwark CC**

Kidnapping/blackmail - suspected triad gang – people smuggling – first joint operation between Met and China police.

### **NB Southwark CC**

Fraud – Alleged multi-million pound fraud around importation of butter into EU by external National state milk marketing department. Consequential loss of revenue to EU estimated at about nine billion pounds.

### **Cairns & others Portsmouth CC**

Drugs – Conspiracy to supply class A drugs - heroin. Chain of supply from London to Portsmouth. Defence of matrimonial coercion. CoA quashed conviction on ground of mis-direction on coercion and failure of Crown to disclose co-defs defence statement when particular co-defendant, running cut-throat defence, ran court defence inconsistent with defence statement.

### **Mohammed & others Portsmouth CC**

Drugs – Importation/supply of class c (performance drugs) and supply of heroin by registered pharmacist collecting and re-supplying unused diamorphine from deceased patients.

### **G & another Southampton CC**

Mother together with partner accused of procuring her daughter for sex.

### **Driver Croydon CC**

Historic rape and sexual abuse of two child victims - five year old daughter and four year old friend of family. Amongst social workers, teachers, a child psychologist, a forensic medical examiner, other complainants and friends of the family the prosecution also called a man previously convicted of raping the daughter contemporaneously with the alleged offences against the defendant.

### **Avetoom & others Leeds CC**

Practising solicitor accused of conspiracy to defraud mortgage lenders involving multi-million pound inner city development and numerous residential properties.

### **St Clair & others Portsmouth CC**

Professional clients accused of deliberately assisting their mother in hiding the proceeds of her home, bought with fraudulently obtained state benefits.

### **Azizi Croydon CC**

Attempted rape by trespasser who had followed his victim home late at night.

### **Frauts Manchester CC**

Systematic fraud upon health authorities by owner of numerous care homes.

### **Grant & others Wood Green CC**

Principal in car ringing conspiracy.

### **Adam & others CCC**

A young adult with profound learning difficulties accused of participating in sexual assault on child victim.

### **Rymer & others CCC**

Murder of eccentric millionaire by group of employees.

### **O'Sullivan & others Isleworth CC**

Attempted murder by group of friends following altercation outside night club.

### **Johnson & others Southwark CC**

Importation of large consignment of cocaine concealed in industrial equipment.

### **Devine Kingston CC**

Attempted murder by shooting of uniformed policeman.

### **Zeng & others CCC**

Multi-million pound international fraud upon American computer systems manufacturer, Cisco, using false warranty scheme.

### **De Freitas ILCC**

Alleged multiple marital rapes and sexual abuse.

### **Alli & others CCC**

Conspiracy to defraud and money laundering using websites offering fictitious car insurance.

### **Adisi & others Woolwich CC**

Multiple importations and exportations of class A drugs over two year period.

### **Yates Woolwich CC**

Alleged attempted rape and robbery by trespasser preying on young woman.

### **Hankin COA**

Sentence reduced for defendant who pleaded guilty to drug trafficking and gave evidence for the prosecution in otherwise unsuccessful prosecution.

### **Catania Blackfriars CC**

Alleged attempted rape of adult cousin by extremely maladjusted young man.

### **Chatralia Croydon CC**

Alleged marital rape and sexual abuse.

### **Adewami Croydon CC**

Alleged attempted perverting the course of justice by defendant accused of providing false insurance details following road traffic accident.

### **Gigg Isleworth CC**

Attempted murder during drunken argument.

### **Kanesh Kingston CC**

Wounding with intent by professional man who stabbed his nephew in the eyes during episode arising from long-standing mental illness.

### **Coke Kingston CC**

Young defendant accused of multiple robberies of high-value mobile phones from vulnerable victims at remote bus stop.

### **Richards Inner London CC**

Driver accused of possession of firearm and ammunition when suspected of carrying two passengers with disguises to prospective robbery.

### **Biddick Croydon CC**

Retired professional repeatedly prosecuted for downloading child pornography.

### **McDonald Croydon CC**

False imprisonment and intentional grievous bodily harm alleged against exploited vulnerable woman accused of allowing her home to be used to settle drug dispute.

### **Adarkwa & others Harrow CC**

Alleged attempted kidnapping and assault of potential informant by suspected target of earlier gang shooting.

### **Rana ILCC**

Professional man in his thirties accused of raping two female tourists during a drunken night out.

### **Peacock ILCC**

Man in his late sixties with behavioural issues tried for grooming and sexually assaulting boy of eight having persuaded the boy's parents to let him stay for a weekend

### **Kallmeir Kingston CC**

Teenage boy accused with sexually assaulting a female child relative five years previously.

### **Morris Kingston CC**

Father tried for sustained child cruelty towards his children.

### **Terry Maidstone CC**

Perverting course of justice - Wife tried for assisting her husband and other members of the family to mislead the police in a murder enquiry.

### **Gemell Isleworth CC**

Attempted murder during drunken argument by defendant who had recently been profoundly disabled by stroke.

### **Taylor Woolwich CC**

Investment gold fraud preying principally on retired investors

### **Hatton Kingston CC**

Revenge kidnap and detention.

### **Jones Preston CC**

Misconduct in public office - Serving police officer accused of misusing authority to seize CCTV showing an alleged assault incident involving an eminent professional footballer.

### **Stokes Kingston CC**

Father accused by daughter of repeated sexual assault.

## **Kirk Isleworth CC**

Drugs – Supplying class A. Man in his twenties accused of supplying class A drugs to schoolboy who consequently died.

## **Lynch & others Woolwich CC**

Established estate agent tried for allowing his managed properties to be used as cannabis farms. Subsequently a POCA application for £1.4m was settled for £70k.

## **Ramchandaran Kingston CC**

Internecine dispute leading to stabbing of head of family.

## **Charles Croydon CC**

Single mother accused of child neglect and cruelty

## **Chan ILCC**

False imprisonment and torture of take-away proprietor by members of staff.

## **Adler Woolwich CC**

Man in his seventies tried with raping and sexually assaulting nine year old boy thirty years previously, the boy having subsequently been convicted of murder.

## **Syed Croydon CC**

Father accused of sexual assault on his daughter.

## **Bankole CCC**

Fraud on payday lending company by extensive network of putative customers.

## **Le Woolwich CC**

Man in twenties accused of raping female student returning home from west end club.

## **Nrvall-Staple & others Croydon CC**

Drugs – Supplying class A. Young woman accused of conspiring in county line drugs enterprise operated in London to

supply the west country.

### **Bamigboye % others Croydon CC**

Alleged fraud by contractors delivering for private postal company.

### **Steer ILCC**

Historic sexual assault allegations, dating back to 1969-70, defeated by successful autrefois convict submission.

### **Diblawe & another ILCC**

Parents accused of sustained child cruelty towards six of seven children.

### **James ILCC**

Child wrongly remanded and sent to Crown Court accused of knife possession.

### **Khalaf CCC**

Murder - Illegal entrant tried for murder of male carer in Hyde Park.

### **Neylon Croydon CC**

Young adult male tried with participation in brutal assault on asylum seekers.

### **Hussain Kingston CC**

Professional man accused of using car as weapon following dispute after house party.

### **Hardy & others St Albans CC**

Man with history of arms dealing accused of supplying firearm to two young gang members.

### **Bejang Croydon CC**

Father accused of grooming and using four year old daughter as his sexual partner.

### **Stables Croydon CC**

Step-father accused of historic sustained sexual assault on ten year old step-daughter.



## **Bukhari Croydon CC**

Professional builder with purported link to security services accused of false imprisonment and threatening to kill letting agent to recover deposit

## **Le Kingston CC**

An interpreter assisting a government department, accused of blackmailing someone for whom he was interpreting and arranging a bribe for a foreign official attending the UK in furtherance of an inter-state protocol.

## **Sena Kingston CC**

16 year old girl discovered hiding a sawn-off shot gun and selling class A drugs for adult county lines gang. Issues of modern slavery, capacity, vulnerability.

## **Smith CCC**

Killing of female by her lodger and leaving body undiscovered for two months. Issues of causation – murder/manslaughter.

## **Patterson ILCC**

Teenage male accused of raping U13 girl whom he met online and sexually assaulting U13 boy while visiting his home

## **Patel ILCC**

Prosecution application to amend available property figure following historic conviction for breach-of-trust theft and subsequent success of family property and fitness businesses.

## **Sheresthra Snaresbrook CC**

Sexual assaults by care worker on designated patient.

## **Geisha Maidstone CC**

Alleged attempted murder in town centre by male who slit throat of one man and slashed the face of his brother.

## **Ludlow & others Kingston CC**

Aggravated burglary by three men attacking young mother and her two toddlers to steal rare pedigree Staffordshire Terrier.

### **Ahmadi Croydon CC**

Minicab driver accused of raping female fare and subsequently indecently assaulting two further female fares.

### **Kalab ILCC**

Suspected gang rape of female in park exacerbated by further rape of victim by male rescuer.

### **Grey Harrow CC**

Robbery – Gang initiation robbery on lone female driver late at night, dragged at knife point from her car, which was then stolen.

### **Randhawa & others Southwark CC**

Fraud – multi-handed on-line fraud on insurance companies.

### **Kennedy & another Aylesbury CC**

Dugs/Firearms – Multi-handed Supply of cocaine and firearms in Northwest London area.

### **King & others Preston CC**

Drugs – conspiracy to supply class A and B drugs from Liverpool to North Cheshire, Skelmersdale and other areas outside the city conurbation.

### **Dogjani & other Isleworth CC**

Burglary – conspiracy to burgle high-value targeted businesses.

### **Subic & others Northampton CC**

Drugs – conspiracy to supply class A drugs in Northants. Client was principal up-stream supplier to local networks of street dealers. Client linked to similar contemporaneous conspiracy tried in Leicester CC.

### **Phelan & others Leicester CC**

Drugs - conspiracy to supply multi-kilos of class A drugs between Coventry and Leicestershire.

### **Mohammad & others Lincoln CC**

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## **Other Information**

Beyond his practice Rod has a love for cooking and travelling and has discovered that some Erging and regular yoga practice are, if nothing more, the antidote to the compulsive distraction of supporting Chelsea.