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Irshad Sheikh is a highly regarded specialist crime and fraud practitioner, with a track record of powerful and compelling advocacy in complex, multi-defendant cases as a leading junior.

He has defended and prosecuted in the most high-profile of cases in the Crown Court and appeared in the Court of Appeal on many occasions. He is renowned for his authoritative court room presence, his forceful cross-examinations and his persuasive closing submissions.

Irshad has extensive experience of defending and prosecuting in a wide range of the most serious cases involving violence, including rape and serious sexual offences, where his expertise and rate of success is second to none. He is also experienced in handling cases of serious or organised crime, including tobacco and alcohol importations, the large-scale trafficking and supply of drugs, and money laundering.

Irshad's practice also encompasses serious fraud. He is regularly instructed in both private and publicly funded fraud matters and his work in this area has led to the representation of defendants in POCA proceedings, where multi-million-pound confiscation orders are sought.

He has also acquired an enviable reputation in disciplinary and regulatory matters, having represented officers of all ranks in police disciplinary proceedings, and professionals accused of misconduct and facing disciplinary proceedings before their respective disciplinary bodies.

Expertise

Criminal Appeals

Cases

R v NU [Snaresbrook]

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Business & Financial Crime

Cases

Operation Volmar [Croydon]

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General Crime

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Operation Digamy [Snaresbrook]

Multi-handed Class A Drugs Conspiracy | [Read more](#)

R v A [Southwark]

Facilitating entry to UK of teenage girl for exploitation | [Read more](#)

Homicide (Murder & Manslaughter)

Cases

R v GGG [Central Criminal Court]

Murder | [Read more](#)

Private Prosecutions

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R v CO [Croydon]

PayPal Fraud | [Read more](#)

Regulatory

Cases

G.M.C. v Dr K

Sexual misconduct with patient | [Read more](#)

Serious & Organised Crime

Cases

R v AO [Cardiff]

Riot | [Read more](#)

R v SM & DM [Wood Green]

Drug supply | [Read more](#)

R v JS [Snaresbrook]

Facilitating illegal immigration | [Read more](#)

R v NB [Harrow]

False imprisonment, kidnapping, blackmail and robbery | [Read more](#)

Operation Volmar [Croydon]

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R v AS & 17 Ors [Cambridge]

Conspiracy to supply class A and B drugs | [Read more](#)

R v T.N & Ors [Wood Green]

Conspiracy to steal high value motor vehicles | [Read more](#)

R v K & Ors [Bristol]

Manufacture of Crystal Meth | [Read more](#)

Sexual Offences

Cases

R v RG [Maidstone]

Rape | [Read more](#)

R v MP [Central Criminal Court]

Serious sexual offences | [Read more](#)

R v AC [Snaresbrook]

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R v AT-K [Maidstone]

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Gang Rape | [Read more](#)

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Private Prosecutions

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Public Prosecutions

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Sexual Offences

Notable Cases

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R v B & Ors [Cardiff]

Credit Card Fraud | [Read more](#)

R v M & Ors [Winchester]

Bank Fraud | [Read more](#)

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Royal Mail Fraud | [Read more](#)

Other Information

Appointments

- CPS General Crime Panel (Grade 4)
- CPS RASSO Panel

Memberships

- Criminal Bar Association
- South Eastern Circuit