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Pauline is a highly regarded leading junior with vast experience across the full spectrum of serious and complex crime. A polished professional who seeks the small details within swathes of material, which can alter the perception of a case. Pauline inspires trust with her meticulous preparation and approachable nature.

Routinely instructed in multi-handed allegations, both substantive and conspiracies, involving homicide, serious and fatal violence, firearms, drugs, complex financial crime and sexual assaults.

Holding the firm belief that the art of advocacy is enhanced with experience of both prosecution and defence work, Pauline lends her skills to both ends of counsel's row.

Expertise

Business & Financial Crime

In 2012 Pauline was instructed to prosecute Operation Beke, where she lead **Fiona Ryan** at the Old Bailey in the successful prosecution of five defendants, charged with Fraudulent Trading, who had banked £1million from a series of phoenix companies purporting to offer LGV training.

Pauline is now instructed by a number of local authorities in London and the South-East to advise pre-charge, and prosecute, regulatory offences and financial crime. This encompasses a wide remit of consumer law related issues, including unfair, misleading and aggressive trading practices, product safety, enforcement action under Part 8 of the Enterprise Act 2002, applications for restraint orders under POCA 2002 and drafting Criminal Behaviour Orders.

Pauline also provides investigative training to TSO's.

The cases Pauline is instructed in are supported by the National Trading Standards Tri Region Investigation Team (TRIT) and following the successful prosecution in 2015 of Operation Rose, a wine fraud at the Old Bailey, Pauline has been invited to address Trading Standards Heads of Service and Senior Operational Managers at each annual TRIT training day since 2016.

Wine Fraud prosecution at the Old Bailey (2015)

[News report here](#)

Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations prosecution of a car dealer (2014)

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LGV licence fraud prosecution at the Old Bailey (2014)

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Benefit Fraud prosecution at the Old Bailey (2013)

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Cases

Operation Mowhawk [Croydon Crown Court]

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Public Prosecutions

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Serious & Organised Crime

Sexual Offences
