

# Jane Bewsey KC

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Jane Bewsey KC is an expert prosecutor in serious and complex **corporate fraud, money laundering and tax cases**.

Jane principally prosecutes in serious and complex **corporate fraud, money laundering and tax cases** instructed by the CPS and the SFO (current prosecution panel member) appearing as lead advocate in the Crown Court and the Appellate courts.

## Expertise

### Crime

Jane has extensive experience of prosecuting organised crime gangs engaged in drug trafficking and their linked financial activities including money laundering.

Between 2006 and 2009, she was instructed in relation to a series of linked cases arising from an intelligence led serious organised crime investigation and a joint investigatory initiative with Holland.

#### Notable Crime cases

R v Harris & 8 Others

Conspiracy to import cocaine.

R v Thomas

Money laundering.

R v Smales & Smales

Money laundering.

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R v Kurtisivek & 7 Others

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Importing heroin, 8 defendants.

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R v Reynolds & 2 Others

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Conspiracy to import cocaine.

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R v Otusanya & Ugoh (2008)

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Prosecuting this allegation of conspiracy to import cocaine from Africa to the UK over an 18 month period involving a large number of individual importations by between 15 and 20 different couriers. The prosecution was complex relying on previous prosecutions of couriers and evidence from abroad including Nigeria, Ghana, Uganda, Belgium, Switzerland, Holland and Ireland.

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R v Chambers & 3 Others (2008)

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A SOCA investigation in which it was alleged that the principal defendant ran a "drugs warehouse" from his business premises from which drugs of every all class were recovered including largest ever quantity of amphetamine seized in the UK.

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## Financial & Corporate Crime

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Jane is thoroughly familiar with all aspects of disclosure, public interest immunity and confiscation issues. She is instructed in cases involving money laundering, tax evasion, corporate fraud, mortgage fraud, fraud targeting the NHS and in cases arising from the collapse of companies including allegations of fraudulent trading, insolvency offences, and breaches of company law and in immigration fraud cases including issues relating to diplomatic immunity.

Prosecutes in serious and complex corporate fraud and tax cases instructed by CPS and the SFO (current prosecution panel member). She is currently [TS1] instructed in cases involving tax evasion, corporate fraud and money laundering.

Additionally, she has been instructed in cases arising from the collapse of companies including allegations of fraudulent trading, insolvency offences and breaches of company law.

### Notable Financial & Corporate Crime cases

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R v Tyndale, Habib & Others (2016-2017)

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Prosecuting a series of trials involving 15 defendants alleging counts of conspiracy to defraud, conspiracy to money launder, money laundering and perverting the course of justice. It involved an international organised crime group which targeted NHS trusts, councils, educational institutions etc. by fraudulently diverting £12.6m from legitimate construction projects through a complex web of bank accounts, principally in the UK and Dubai. Press Links: BBC

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R v Mohammed Aslam & Others (2016)

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Prosecuted 7 defendants, including those responsible for organising the laundering of funds from a European VAT fraud: see R v Fulton and Wood (2017) EWCA Crim 308, R v Aslam (2017) EWCA Crim 277.

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R v Purdie & Others (2015)

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Conspiracy to defraud by a number of corrupt professionals in NE England acting in breach of their professional obligations arising out of a £110m mortgage fraud.

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R v Bojang & Others (2014)

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Prosecuted seven people, including four Gambian diplomats, for conspiracy to cheat the Revenue of £4.8m duty and tax evaded through a systematic abuse of the duty free scheme enjoyed by diplomatic missions in the UK.

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R v Ghauri & Junejo (2014)

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Prosecution of company directors involved in an immigration fraud, based upon the fraudulent obtaining of Sponsorship Licences to sponsor non EEA migrant workers under Tier 2 Points Based System and the laundering of the proceeds of the sale of so called "Work Permits" through a substantial series of complex financial movements.

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R v Forde & Whellams (2012-2014)

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MTIC prosecution of Midlands based businessmen linked to Operation Inertia.

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R v Ravjani & Others (Operation Inertia) (2007-2012)

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Instructed as one of the prosecution team in one of the largest and most complex MTIC frauds to date: 17 defendants and five trials with estimated losses of £170m over a five month period.

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## Appointments

- Kings's Counsel (2010)