

Chloe Lennon

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Chloe is developing a busy practice and is regularly instructed to defend in the Crown Court and Magistrates' Court. Chloe has experience defending vulnerable clients, including youths and those with mental health difficulties.

During pupillage, Chloe won the RASSO category Criminal Bar Association Inaugural Chair's essay prize 2023 for her essay entitled; '*Cross Examination of Complainants in Rape Trials has become so Stringent that a Defendant Cannot Have a Fair Trial*'. Chloe subsequently contributed to the Bar Council's response to the Law Commission Consultation on Evidence in Sexual Offences Prosecutions (Chapter 4) 2023.

While at Bar School, Chloe volunteered with Advocate, where she gained valuable experience assisting in the preparation of family law, traffic law, and civil cases. She also acted as Mooting Secretary for the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn. At University, Chloe acted on the executive committee of the Pro Bono Society.

Expertise

Crime

Notable Crime cases

R v MG [2023], Guildford Crown Court

Chloe successfully prosecuted a contested appeal against conviction of MG, who had appealed against his conviction for harassment of his ex-girlfriend.

R v OK [2023], Harrow Crown Court

Chloe successfully prosecuted a contested appeal against conviction for dangerous driving.

R v MD [2023], Highbury Corner Magistrates' Court

MD was accused of two counts of assault by beating of his elderly parents and breach of a Restraining Order as at the time of the alleged offences MD was subject to a Restraining Order. At trial, Chloe made a successful submission of no case to answer in respect of the alleged assault against MD's mother. MD was subsequently found not guilty of assaulting his father.

R V LP [2023], Highbury Corner Magistrates' Court

LP was accused of one count of assault by beating (strangulation) of his partner at the time. LP had called 999 on himself. LP was acquitted.

R v LH [2023], Stratford Magistrates' Court

Chloe successfully defended LH, who was charged with one count of possession of a bladed article and one count of driving while disqualified. Instructing solicitors said the following: *'Chloe got a great result for LH today, not guilty for both DWD and bladed article, very happy client and this message from the partner below "I really can't thank you enough for sending Chloe to us she was amazing and so professional"'*.

R v BE & LW [2023], Huntingdon Youth Court

Chloe successfully secured 12 month Referral Orders for both BE and LW, who pleaded guilty to a number of serious offences (including dangerous driving and burglary offences), despite the Crown asserting that detention & training orders were appropriate. The Legal Advisor informed instructing solicitors that he was *'impressed with the way [Chloe] pipped everyone off and had the magistrates in the palm of [my] hands'*. One of the youths informed instructing solicitors that *'my barrister was brilliant'*.

R v DW [2023], Bromley Magistrates' Court

Chloe successfully persuaded the bench to not activate DW's Suspended Sentence Order following his commission of a further offence while his SSO was active.

R V SG [2023] Highbury Corner Magistrates' Court

Chloe successfully persuaded the bench not to impose the minimum mandatory term for a second bladed article offence by arguing that there were particular circumstances relating to the index offence, the previous offence (committed before June 2022), and the offender which would make an immediate custodial sentence unjust in all the circumstances. SG was sentenced to a suspended sentence.

Education

University of Birmingham, 2018 – 2021, Law LLB, First Class

BPP Law School, 2021 – 2022, Barrister Training Course with Masters, Distinction

Memberships

CPS Grade 1

Criminal Bar Association

Women in Criminal Law

The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn

Publications

Chloe won the RASSO category of the Criminal Bar Association Inaugural Chair's essay prize 2023. Her essay can be read here: [Criminal Bar Association Essay Competition 2023: RASSO Essay](#)

Chloe has also contributed to the Bar Council's response to the Law Commission Consultation on Evidence in Sexual Offences Prosecutions (Chapter 4) 2023. The response can be read here: [response-to-the-law-commission-consultation-on-evidence-in-sexual-offence-prosecutions.pdf \(barcouncil.org.uk\)](#)

Awards

BPP Advocacy Award 2021

BPP Career Commitment Scholarship 2021

BPP Excellence Award 2021

Outstanding Achievement in CEPLER Professional Development Gold Award 2021

Camm Cup Moot Finalist 2020