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Jessica Slaughter is a specialist criminal barrister. She prosecutes as a level 3 CPS panel advocate and defends in complex criminal cases.

Having prior experience as a mixed common law barrister, Jessica has chosen to continue her varied experience within family law which complements her criminal caseload.

Jessica applies a meticulous work ethic to her cases and clients commend her firm but friendly approach and careful advice.

Jessica is able to receive instructions directly from the public in certain cases.

Jessica is an Associate Lecturer at Northumbria University, Newcastle, and teaches the Criminal Practice module on the Bar Professional Training Course.

Jessica also has experience representing clients at Parole Board hearings including 'lifer' and complex recall cases.

## Led Junior Briefs

## Representative Cases

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- *R v D et al (2017-2018)*  
Led by Sam Green QC and Andrew Haslam QC for the prosecution in multi-handed conspiracy to possess firearms with intent to endanger life. The case involved complex disclosure issues and Jessica's role included reviewing vast arrays of sensitive material.
- *R v W et al (2018)*  
Led by Chris Smith for the prosecution in a 6 week trial involving multiple defendants and complex cell site and phone evidence following numerous conspiracies to burgle, steal and defraud in relation to cars and car parts. During the trial Jessica was responsible for examining a number of witnesses. Jessica represented the Crown for the sentencing hearing.
- *R v S and B (2018)*  
Led by Tim Roberts QC in the successful prosecution of a murder case with two defendants and a re-trial for the first defendant.  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-tyne-44681729>
- *R v Q (2019)*  
Led by Paul Currer for the prosecution in a 6 week trial resulting in conviction of a mental health nurse who had abused elderly dementia patients in their care home.  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-tyne-51048840>
- *R v F (2020)*  
Currently being led by Michael Hodson for the defence in a case involving multiple allegations of sexual and violent offending within a domestic context.

## Sexual Offences

### Representative Cases

- *R v T*  
Defended client accused of raping his girlfriend. The case involved lengthy review of unused material including phone communication between the two parties spanning a large time period.
- *R v T*  
Prosecuted former Catholic priest following historic sex abuse allegations.
- *R v W*  
Prosecuted 14 year old accused of digital penetration of 10 year old foster sister.



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- *R v L (2018)*  
Defended client in 6 day trial in relation to historic rape allegations against a family member. The client was acquitted.
- *R v C (2019)*  
Defended client in 6 day trial in relation to historic sex offences involving multiple complainants.  
<https://www.chroniclive.co.uk/news/north-east-news/pervert-scout-master-who-turned-16373741>

## Violent Offences

### Representative Cases

- *R v L (2017)*  
Successfully defended client at the Court of Appeal leading to a reduction in sentence following an extended sentence for a knife point robbery.  
<https://www.chroniclive.co.uk/news/north-east-news/thug-who-threatened-battle-hill-13839157>
- *R v J*  
Defended client in affray trial. The client was acquitted despite CCTV showing him kicking the complainant.
- *R v L*  
Defended client facing section 18 trial after an attack was made by him and his family members against a former work colleague. Successfully negotiated and dealt with the case resulting in a suspended sentence.
- *R v S & I*  
Provided pre-charge advice and prepared prosecution case for trial in a dwelling robbery matter which involved issues of identification and a vast amount of telecommunications evidence. Both defendants received a sentence of 13 years' custody.
- *R v S*  
Prosecuted man who had seriously assaulted his partner in front of her young children. The case involved an intermediary and pre-trial visits with the children.
- *R v D (2019)*  
Prosecuted section 18 trial involving identification issues and expert facial mapping evidence.
- *R v A (2019)*  
Defended man in 5 day trial for possession of bladed article in a fight outside a Mosque. Hours of CCTV footage were utilised during the trial to secure the acquittal of the client.

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- *R v C (2020)*  
Prosecuted attempted section 18 trial where the defendant had driven his car at speed at his former partner whilst she was in a friend's car. The defendant was convicted of all offences
- *R v S (2020)*  
Prosecuted 5 day trial for a robbery in a dwelling, involving sensitive intelligence and complex legal directions in relation to joint enterprise.

## Dishonesty Offences

### Representative Cases

- *R v P*  
Defended client accused of dwelling burglary. The case was stopped following legal submissions in respect of DNA and moveable objects.
- *R v O, M & W (2017)*  
Prosecuted an 8 day trial in relation to a conspiracy to burgle dwelling houses involving over £250k worth of jewellery and gold. The three defendants were convicted and received a total of over 23 years' custody.  
<https://www.chroniclelive.co.uk/news/north-east-news/burglary-gang-who-stole-gold-13448783>
- *R v F (2019)*  
Defended client in blackmail case involving threats towards a political figure. Successfully negotiated basis of plea and resolution to the case which resulted in a 2 year sentence.
- *R v McC (2019)*  
Defended client at trial for dwelling burglary, after drafting abuse of process argument and successful negotiations with the prosecution, agreed on plea to handling stolen goods resulting in a far shorter sentence for the client.
- *R v H*  
Prosecuted children's nurse who had stolen painkillers from her hospital ward whilst on duty.  
<https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/9851417/nurse-filmed-swigging-painkillers-newcastle/>

## Other

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- *R v P*  
Defended father accused of harassing his teenage son. The case involved cross examination of the child and negotiations resulting in a reduction in the offence and a suspended sentence for the client.
- *R v H (2018)*  
Defended man in internet trolling case involving several victims who had died in tragic circumstances.  
<https://www.chroniclive.co.uk/news/north-east-news/sick-internet-troll-who-tormented-15420678>
- *R v W (2019)*  
Prosecuted 8 day trial for controlling and coercive behaviour, assault and other domestic related offences. The case involved meticulous analysis of messages sent between the defendant and the victim as part of their relationship.
- *R v P (2020)*  
Prosecuted defendant for transferring criminal property linked to a large scale drugs operation. The value of the imported drugs was in the region of £17.25 million. This defendant's role related to the transfer of over £200,000 of cash.  
<https://www.chroniclive.co.uk/news/north-east-news/john-purvis-drugs-gang-court-17738704>
- *R v ER (2020)*  
Defended woman accused of public nuisance offences related to suicide attempts. Following expert evidence on the mens rea issue and negotiation with the prosecution, the Crown offered no evidence.

## Family

Jessica's experienced family practice covers both children and money cases. She has experience acting for the Local Authority, children and parents during public law proceedings. Given her background in supporting domestic violence victims, Jessica is well placed to advise and represent clients in cases involving non-molestation and occupation orders. In private law proceedings, she has represented clients with complex issues including internal relocation, special guardianship orders and transfer of residence.

Jessica represents clients in relation to applications for financial remedies including settlement and final hearings. Her varied cases have provided exposure to a number of issues, including pension disparity, inheritance disagreements and cohabitation disputes. A client represented by Jessica during a financial remedy final hearing who was awarded more than the usual 50% of the marital assets described her attention to detail "second to none".

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## Representative Cases

- *K v F (2018-2019)*  
Represented father in private law proceedings involving a fact finding with allegations of rape and the appointment of a Children's Guardian after findings were not accepted.
- *Re DC (2019)*  
Represented mother at final hearing where her partner posed a risk to the child due to a history of sexual offences, resulting in a Child Arrangements Order in mother's favour with a Family Assistance Order and Prohibited Steps Order.
- *Re V (2019)*  
Represented father in final hearing in complex private law proceedings involving transfer of residence and a child with special needs and an appointed Guardian.
- *Re M and S (2019)*  
Drafted skeleton argument and represented mother at her article 15 application to transfer proceedings to Poland.
- *Re MD and SD (2019)*  
Drafted skeleton argument and represented mother at interim removal hearing during the course of care proceedings.
- *Re C, K and R (2020)*  
Representing mother in care proceedings involving allegations of non-accidental injury and neglect, involving liaising with court appointed intermediary to assist with mother's complex needs.

## What the directories say

"She was absolutely brilliant, she was so proactive and on the ball it was amazing to watch! Jessica took total charge from the moment she arrived, I could not have asked for better representation."

"We are extremely thankful for Jessica's representations in court - she was fantastic!"

"I couldn't have asked for a better advocate."

"I consider [Jessica] to be something of a 'rare find' - hardworking and extremely able; personable and contactable; knowledgeable and articulate. She is an excellent lawyer who instils confidence in her running of a

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case."

"It is rare to experience the level of support, tenacity and sheer persistence from instructed Counsel to ensure the desired result for a client."

Opponent describing Ms Slaughter's cross examination of expert witness: "clear, calm, forensic approach".

Jessica was praised by the Court of Appeal for her "concise and persuasive oral submissions" and able representation of her client – Regina v Kass Khan Elgie [2015] EWCA Crim 676.

In an appeal regarding a knife point robbery sentence, the Court of Appeal described Jessica's submissions as "attractive and focused" – Regina v Peter Laws [2017] EWCA Crim 1788.

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## Appointments & Memberships

CPS Level 3 Prosecutor

Jules Thorn Scholar, Honourable Society of Middle Temple

LLB (Hons), Dunelm

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