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Nick Cartmell is a senior criminal practitioner specialising in defending serious crime.

Nick is a member of the Criminal Bar Association and has been an associate member of the American Bar Association since 1990.

During the course of a long career Nick has been a finalist in two World Debating Finals, been a guest lecturer in advocacy on bar finals courses at Northumbria University and still spends some of his free time judging moots, mock trials and debating competitions.

Nick's practice embraces offences across both the regulatory and full criminal calendar – whether the same is licensing appeals within the sport or taxi industry or serious offences before the Crown Court and Court of Appeal.

## Serious Sexual Assault/Rape/Historic Abuse

### Representative Cases

- *R v. JA*

Nick secured the acquittal of a 30 year old man charged with Rape and Sexual Assault by penetration, alleged to have been a predator, who was said to have abducted a 15 year old girl late at night and assaulted her in the back of his car. Issues were consent and belief in age. [Newcastle Crown Court]

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- *Operation Sanctuary: R v. K; R v. I, R v. R*  
Nick appeared in three separate Sanctuary Trials dealing with Historic Sexual Abuse/Rape and grooming securing acquittals for each Defendant on each trial on all Counts [Newcastle Crown Court]
- *Operation Optic: R v. S*  
Nick secured the acquittal in respect of a Kurdish man charged with historic Rape [Newcastle Crown Court]
- *R v. W*  
Nick secured the acquittal of an 78 year ex farm hand accused of historic sexual abuse dating back to 1983 [Teesside Crown Court]
- *R v. B*  
Nick secured the acquittal of a local health care professional accused of the 'date rape' and administering GBH [Newcastle Crown Court]
- *Other cases*  
Nick has successfully represented many clients on plea and trial (including politicians, sportsmen and even Imams) accused of similar offending in both the criminal and disciplinary arenas.

## Serious Offences of Violence

### Representative Cases

- *R v. T*  
Nick secured acquittal on all charges of a man accused of stabbing (section 18/attempted murder) another in that others home on the basis of reasonable self-defence [Newcastle Crown Court]
- *R v. S*  
Nick secured the acquittal of a soldier charged with stabbing (section 18) of two people at a New years Eve Party on the basis of credibility/reasonable self defence [Newcastle Crown Court]
- *R v. W*  
Nick secured the acquittal of a gypsy charged with Robbery (50,000) and Assault (section 18) with a baseball bat on another caravan owner and his family. [Teesside Crown Court]
- *R v. H*  
Nick secured the acquittal of the nephew of a local celebrity and businessman charged with causing GBH with intent and an offensive weapon on the basis of the credibility of the Complainant. The alleged group attack using bats and a knuckle duster occurred in the early hours of the morning resulting in serious injury to the complainant. [Bradford Crown Court]

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# Serious Offences of Fraud (POCA)

## Representative Cases

- *R v. P*  
Nick secured a suspended sentence for a property developer who pleaded guilty to over 9 million pounds worth of mortgage fraud over a period of 17 years [Newcastle Crown Court]
- *R v. S*  
Nick secured the acquittal of the Managing Director of a car hire firm charged with more than a 2 million pound fraud and 'cash for crash' [Newcastle Crown Court]
- *R v. M*  
Nick secured the acquittal of a the Manager of 12 local betting shops accused of fraud in excess of 500k, false betting and false accounting [Newcastle Crown Court]

# Drug Offences and Serious Organised Crime

## Representative Cases

- *R v. I*  
Nick secured the acquittal of an Kurdish man charged with Conspiracy to supply drugs between Liverpool, Manchester, Derby and Teesside [Teesside Crown Court]

# Appointments & Memberships

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