

# Miranda Hill KC



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(Chambers UK)

Appointed Queen’s Counsel in 2022 and awarded Crime Junior of the Year at the Chambers UK Bar Awards 2017, Miranda is “a very clever lawyer with an instinctive touch for the right approach in difficult and challenging circumstances”.

“Sought out to advise corporations implicated in financial crime” and recommended by the legal directories as a New Silk in financial crime, financial crime (corporates), general crime and investigations, Miranda has a wide range of experience as a criminal practitioner. Specialising in business and corporate crime, she is particularly renowned for her ability to master substantial and complex cases.

## Corporate Crime and Investigations

Described as a “newly appointed silk who was widely regarded as the best junior in this field of work”, Miranda has unparalleled experience in relation to business and corporate crime. She represented Rolls-Royce and Amec Foster Wheeler in deferred prosecution agreement proceedings (led by David Perry KC and leading Katherine Hardcastle), advised GSK in respect of an investigation into allegations of corruption and News Group Newspapers Limited and News UK in respect of the phone hacking and misconduct allegations (which concluded with no criminal proceedings being brought against any company). Since acting for BAE Systems Plc in respect of the proceedings brought by the Serious Fraud Office, Miranda has advised other household names from the manufacturing, pharmaceutical and financial services sectors in respect of allegations of corruption and other aspects of business crime and has extensive experience of working as part of a team with lawyers instructed in connected civil proceedings. She has led internal investigations, including on behalf of a FTSE 100 company, and is recognised by Who’s Who Legal as a ‘Thought Leader’ in investigations. She has advised major high-street banks and insurers on matters involving investigations conducted in parallel by the Serious Fraud Office and Financial Conduct Authority including in respect of allegations of fraud, Financial Services and Markets Act and Companies Act offences. Miranda also has experience of advising individuals in connection with cartel offences and the leniency provisions.

## Cybercrime

Miranda has experience of advising companies in respect of ‘cybercrime’ offences, committed in the context of industrial espionage and by present and former employees. She has advised, amongst other matters, in respect of offences relating to the obtaining, transfer and destruction of confidential data and also with regard to counter-surveillance measures.

## Restraint

Miranda has both prosecuted and defended in cases of money laundering and has a wealth of experience advising in relation to suspicious activity reports. She has experience of appeals against forfeiture orders made under the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 and of complex confiscation hearings.

## Fraud

Miranda is recognised in the legal directories as a New Silk in the field of fraud. Having been instructed early in her practice in commercial litigation between Sumitomo and Credit Lyonnais Rouse, she was instructed subsequently by the Serious Fraud Office in one of its largest investigations into a multi-million pound, multi-jurisdictional fraud within the metal trading industry. The case involved calling defendants convicted in the US, who had co-operated under formal agreements with the US Department of Justice, as prosecution witnesses. This has given Miranda a unique understanding of the US system regarding co-operating witnesses, plea bargaining and sentencing.

## General Crime

Miranda has been led both for the Prosecution and for the Defence in numerous homicide cases, including those of unusual factual and/or legal complexity. As sole advocate, she has successfully represented individuals accused of rape, serious offences of violence and driving offences involving fatalities, amongst other matters. She also represented four Uber drivers who were privately prosecuted by the Licensed Taxi Drivers’ Association in connection with the dispute about whether the Uber App amounted to a taximeter for the purposes of the legislation. She also has considerable experience of prosecuting: this includes prosecuting both single and multiple defendants accused of a range of offences including child cruelty, sexual offences, offences of serious violence and robbery.

## Other Areas of Expertise

Miranda is also experienced in inquests and acting as independent counsel.



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