



Brett is an experienced advocate who defends and prosecutes in a wide range of cases, primarily at Crown Court level. Brett's calm and practical manner readily wins the confidence and trust of everyone he deals with, both at client-level and beyond. Diligent and thorough preparation ensures that his client receives the best quality representation at every stage of proceedings.

Brett has appeared in cases involving homicide and other serious offences against the person; heavyweight crime, including firearms supply, perverting the course of justice and kidnap; terrorism-related offences; serious sexual offences; major and complex fraud; substantial drug importations and supply; robbery and other offences of dishonesty; and regulatory offences.

As well as advocacy, Brett is regularly involved in an advisory capacity, both in anticipation, and after commencement, of proceedings. Advisory work has related to large-scale document reviews of material arising from investigations in China and the Channel Islands.

#### Homicide

Brett has extensive experience in relation to homicide cases, both prosecuting and defending, and often involving issues of legal and factual complexity.

#### Fraud

Brett has extensive experience of cases involving allegations of fraud brought by the Serious Fraud Office, HM Revenue & Customs, and the Department of Trade and Industry. Fraud experience covers instructions in significant "boiler room" frauds to "advance fee" frauds, often on a global scale. In addition, Brett has acted in numerous cases relating to conspiracies to defraud and to cheat the public revenue. Brett often appears in heavyweight and complex cases, both for the prosecution and defence. Corruption experience includes offences of misconduct in a public office.

Current instructions include acting for a defendant accused of conspiring to commit fraud against Transport for London and related money-laundering allegations.

#### POCA, Asset Forfeiture and financial compliance

Brett frequently is instructed in proceedings arising from the provisions of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002. These proceedings can involve consideration of expert forensic accountancy evidence and recovery of overseas assets.

#### Road Traffic

Brett has experience of all aspects of road traffic proceedings, from summary proceedings to High Court appeals by way of case stated. Brett has often been instructed in cases involving fatal road traffic accidents, both prosecuting and defending.

Recent High Court instructions have concerned consideration of the ambit of 'public place' for the purposes of the Road Traffic Act 1988.

#### Sexual Offences

Brett has extensive experience of proceedings involving allegations of serious sexual offences, both prosecuting and defending. On occasion, Brett has been instructed to provide pre-charge advice in respect of allegations.

As well as conducting proceedings as junior counsel alone, Brett has been led in respect of complex trials arising from historic sexual offending and trafficking offences.

#### Regulatory

Brett has often acted on behalf of local authorities to advise and prosecute a wide range of regulatory offences, including landlord and tenant disputes, food hygiene, noise pollution, and false trademark offences. Brett also accepts instructions in other areas of regulatory litigation.

#### Terrorism

Brett has been instructed in a wide range of terrorism-related cases, principally on behalf of the prosecution, both at first instance and on appeal.

#### Financial Crime

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