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Jamie Hill QC is a specialist in all aspects of criminal law and is the Silk of choice for many defence solicitors when seeking leading counsel for clients charged with serious offences, including murder, manslaughter, sexual abuse, kidnap, rape and fraud.

Jamie also has considerable experience in Health & Safety, Regulatory matters, particularly involving issues of Discrimination, and Police Disciplinary proceedings, Fire safety cases and inquests.

Jamie is married with two adult daughters a keen sportsman and season ticket holder for Newcastle United and Durham County Cricket Club. Previously a manager of Whitley Bay and Tynemouth Hockey Club Ladies First Team, and recently finished lengthy stints as a school governor, and as director of a Community Interest Company.

Crime

Jamie is a specialist in all aspects of criminal law, in particular murder, manslaughter, sexual abuse, kidnap, rape and fraud.

He has expertise in medical and scientific issues, with recent experience of non-accidental head injuries in babies, and involvement in a leading case in the interpretation of LCN DNA evidence.

Representative Cases

- *Operation Seabrook (3 trials September 2018-February 2019)*
Advising Police and CPS (with DPP case meetings) on prosecution of prison officers in respect of historic sexual and violent offending against inmates at a Detention Centre between 1960's and 1980's. 1700+ complaints.
- *R-v-Unwin and McFall (2018) Newcastle*
Successful prosecution of two previously convicted murderers accused of raping and murdering a woman.

- *R-v-Jones (2017) Leeds.*
Successful defence of man accused of murder by arson.
- *R-v-Dhillon (2017) Newcastle*
Defence of Sikh soldier accused of stalking and murdering ex-girlfriend.

Health & Safety (incl Fire Safety & Inquests)

Jamie has considerable experience in Health & Safety, Fire safety cases and inquests.

Cases include:

- Advised in relation to a serious fire safety case involving a local hotel chain.
- Police Federation work going back over 25 Years, including Inquests.
- Representing a Police Officer at an Inquest following a death in custody.

Representative Cases

- *R v British Cycling, Marsden and another (2018)*
Health and Safety prosecution on behalf of Denbighshire County Council, 5 week trial following a fatal accident at a down-hill mountain bike event in Wales.
- *Environment Agency v Huntsman Tioxide*
Defence plea following a leak of sulphuric acid at Seal Sands, Teesside.
- *R-v-Park Gates Leisure (2013)*
Teesside Crown Court, successful defence of a company accused of Health and Safety breaches following a fall from height.
- *R v Wood (2012)*
Newcastle Crown Court, Health and Safety, successful defence, gross negligence manslaughter.

Professional Discipline & Regulatory

Jamie's regulatory practice has involved Police Federation work going back over 25 Years, regularly appearing in Police Disciplinary Hearings and Inquests.

Recent cases include:

- Advised several high ranking officers in relation to employment matters
- Adverse decision appealed to Police Appeals Tribunal; subsequently succeeded in Administrative Court on Judicial Review.
- Advised a group of BME officers in Cleveland regarding discrimination claims which were settled.

Representative Cases

- *Chief Constable of Northumbria v MA (2015)*
Defence of Chief Inspector accused of gross misconduct due to sexual harassment of work colleagues.
 - *Chief Constable of Northumbria –v- DE (2014)*
Defence of Sergeant charged with serious misconduct; including abuse of process arguments; case pursued to successful appeal before Police Appeals Tribunal.
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Appointments

- Silk 2006
- Recorder 2002 (Crime; Class 2; and Civil)
- Head of Fountain Chambers (Middlesbrough and Newcastle) 2010 – present

Memberships

- Member of North Eastern Circuit (Northern Area Silk Rep. on Circuit Executive Committee)
- Member of Criminal Bar Association

Education

Manchester University LLB (Hons) 1982