

## LOUISE BRANDON



### YEAR OF CALL

2003, Middle Temple

### EDUCATION

BA Hons, Government & Law, University of Manchester

### AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Chrystal Macmillan Prize, Middle Temple

*“Louise Brandon is a leading junior within the set”*  
*Legal 500 2011*

*“Hardhami working, conscientious, innovative and diligent – a terrier in court and excellent in conference.”*  
*Legal 500 2010*

### SPECIALIST AREAS OF PRACTICE

Criminal Law  
Licensing Law  
Health and Safety Law

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Prior to commencing a 12 month specialist criminal pupillage, Louise Brandon gained considerable experience in all aspects of litigation working in a Solicitors' firm.

#### Criminal Law

Since joining Chambers she has been regularly instructed to both prosecute and defend criminal cases and has gained experience in all areas of criminal law, appearing in the Magistrates and Crown Courts and the Court of Appeal. She is regularly asked to advise upon and conduct cases concerning a wide range of matters including serious assaults, human trafficking, robbery, firearms offences, sexual offences, fraud, money laundering, public order and drugs offences. Her work has included appearances at all stages of the criminal process, from first appearance at the lower Court through to trial, sentencing, confiscation and appeal hearings.

Louise Brandon is frequently instructed to represent defendants charged with driving offences and offences under the Dangerous Dogs legislation.

Louise Brandon is a category three prosecutor and has been appointed onto the Attorney General's list of prosecuting counsel to prosecute cases on behalf of HM Revenue and Customs. She also appears on behalf of the Serious Organised Crime Agency, the Probation Service and Local Authorities.

She is regularly instructed to advise upon and conduct arguments involving issues such as the admissibility of evidence, abuse of process, disclosure, hearsay and bad character.

#### Judicial Review

Instructed in cases concerning a wide range of issues including prison law, the lawfulness of search warrants and the conduct of the Police in a variety of circumstances.

#### Health and Safety

Louise Brandon has defended individuals and companies charged with offences under the Health and Safety legislation, including cases involving serious injuries or death.

#### Prison Law

Represents serving prisoners in their applications for release on licence before the Parole Board. Louise Brandon has also been instructed to advise in cases involving onerous licence conditions and the lawfulness of delays in Parole Board Hearings.

#### Licensing

Louise Brandon is instructed on behalf of Greater Manchester Police to advise upon and conduct hearings under the Licensing Act 2003.

#### Civil/Criminal Applications and Orders

Louise Brandon is regularly instructed on behalf of Greater Manchester Police to both advise upon and conduct applications for Anti Social Behaviour Orders, Football Banning Orders, Sexual Offences Prevention Orders, Risk of Sexual Harm Orders, “crack house” Closure Orders and Forfeiture Orders under the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002.

She has recently been instructed to advise upon and apply for Domestic Violence Protection Orders under the Crime and Security Act 2010, which are currently being piloted in Greater Manchester.



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### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Louise Brandon has strong connections to the North West and is particularly pleased to have had the opportunity to assist local schools and colleges in the National Bar Mock Trial competition. This opportunity allowed Louise to provide the benefit of her experience and skill in advocacy. She has also taught students on the Bar Vocational Course at Manchester Metropolitan University and conducts seminars for both Solicitors and Counsel.

### NOTABLE CASES INCLUDE

- *Newcastle City Council v Lemington Labour Club* (Defendants faced various charges under the Health and Safety legislation following the death of an elderly lady who suffered a fall)
- *R v Davidson and Others* (Fourteen defendants charged with offences relating to a conspiracy to defraud Trafford Metropolitan Borough Council)
- *R v Pattison and Pattison, R v Loizou and Thomas* (Part of a series of cases involving a multi million pound conspiracy to supply Cannabis. The case involved the use of evidence obtained as a result of foreign telephone taps)
- *R v Millar and Bowles* (Prosecution of a couple charged with a series of money laundering, drugs, possession of offensive weapons and benefit fraud offences)
- *R v Paton* (Successfully defended a man alleged to have stabbed a child)
- *R v Ngongola* (Defendant charged with the rape of two women twelve months apart)
- *R v S* (Prosecuted a mother who had ironed her child's hand. Involved complicated issues relating to expert evidence and the admissibility of evidence)
- *R v Cullen and Others* (Defendants were a family charged with money laundering and fraud offences. Complex Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 hearings followed the convictions)
- *R v Smith* (Prosecution of a defendant who stalked a woman via the Facebook website over a lengthy period. Case attracted significant media attention)



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