

## Verity Quaite

Year of Call: 2017



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Verity accepts instructions in all areas of crime, both prosecuting and defending.

Verity has represented defendants in the Youth, Magistrates' and Crown Courts, as well as appearing for prisoners in Parole Board Hearings. She is a Level 2 CPS Panel Advocate and regularly represents HMRC and the Home Office in forfeiture and condemnation proceedings. She has a particular interest in financial crime and regularly appears in POCA proceedings, has represented individuals suspected of fraud in interview, and has assisted in the defences of companies facing prosecution by the SFO. She also has experience acting in taxi licence appeals.

Verity has worked in-house on secondment to the Ethics & Compliance department of a multi-national corporation, during which she managed and conducted internal investigations into over 40 allegations, including bribery and corruption. Most recently, Verity has worked in-house at **Fieldfisher** as part of the Commercial Crime team representing a company investigated by the SFO for bribery and corruption offences. This ENRC case is one of the longest running SFO investigations and has just been closed without charges being brought. Further details can be found [here](#).

Verity is a Corporate Crime Contributor for **Lexis PSL** and has written articles for "**The Barrister**".

Outside of work, Verity enjoys music, playing hockey and travelling.

Appointed – Crime Prosecution Service Level 2

### Education

Bar Professional Training Course (Very Competent)  
Graduate Diploma in Law (Distinction)  
MA Music, Culture and Politics  
BA Music (First Class Honours)

Shelford Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn  
Lord Denning Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn  
Hardwick Entrance Award, Lincoln's Inn

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### Professional Memberships

Northern Circuit Crown Prosecution Service Category 2

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## **Notable Cases**

AC (Parole Board): represented a prisoner serving an IPP sentence and made a successful application for release

R v K: represented a third strike Class A drug dealer at PTPH and sentence and obtained favourable sentence for defendant

B v DPP: successfully appealed against the sentence of an elderly individual with extensive offending record

R v N: legal argument resulted in withdrawal of breach proceedings by National Probation Service

R v D: successful exceptional hardship argument made for a teacher who would have otherwise lost their driving licence

R v Youth: successfully defended youth charged with harassment and public order offences

R v Youth: successfully defended in multi-handed youth trial. Defendant was acquitted of joint enterprise arson