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## Richard Burrington

### Profile

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Having initially developed a mixed common law practice covering areas in crime, family and personal injury, Richard Burrington now practices exclusively in the field of criminal law.

### Areas of Practice

<span style="font-size:9.0pt; font-family:'Arial','sans-serif';color:#404040">An experienced trial advocate, noted for his judgement and tactical skill, Richard Burrington is regularly the first choice of those who instruct him on behalf of both the defence and prosecution.

<span style="font-size:9.0pt; font-family:'Arial','sans-serif';color:#404040">Over the course of two decades he has accumulated a wealth of experience in conducting cases involving the most serious of criminal allegations including fraud, forgery, murder, gang related violence, drug supply, rape and child abuse (including the production of indecent imagery.)

<span style="font-size:9.0pt; font-family:'Arial','sans-serif';color:#404040">Richard Burrington also conducts ancillary hearings regarding confiscation of the proceeds of crime; examples of which have involved multi-million pound assets.

### Notable Cases

<span style="font-size:9.0pt;font-family:'Arial','sans-serif'; color:#404040">**R v Phillips (& others) (Kingston CC)** - Defence counsel in a high value, sophisticated, multi-defendant conspiracy to rob cash in transit vehicles. A case of its type displaying unique complexity and lasting 5 months. 'Flying Squad' police officers were alleged to have perverted the course of justice in fabricating a nuanced case against the defendants during the course of an undercover surveillance operation spanning 4 years. This having been set against a background of a similar attempt by the police to implicate one of the defendants 20 years earlier.



R v Dudley (& others) (Chelmsford CC) - Defence counsel for one of four nightclub doormen accused of manslaughter, by allegedly having restrained a customer through the use of excessive force. In a trial lasting 6 weeks, the focus fell on a multitude of experts who were called to provide opinion on complex issues of pathology, neuropathology, toxicology and 'SIA' approved restraint techniques. The defendant was acquitted.

R v Holland (& others) (Blackfriars CC) - Prosecution counsel in a 'contract kidnapping' case, the substance of which stemmed from an undercover police operation mounted against an organised criminal gang. The intricate details of covert visual surveillance and probe recordings were explored during a trial lasting 8 weeks. All 5 defendants were convicted.

R v Daniels (CA (Crim Div) LTL 18/1/2008) - Counsel for the appellant accused of drug trafficking. An appeal against conviction was successfully brought on the basis of the jury having reached inconsistent verdicts. Conviction quashed.

R v Andress (& others) (Basildon CC) - Prosecution counsel in a sophisticated conspiracy to defraud insurance companies through the multiple creation of fraudulent applications and claims for life assurance. 6 week trial.

R v Carter (Central Criminal Court) - Defence counsel in a murder trial lasting 6 weeks. The central issue concerned complex medical evidence that challenged the fundamental assertion that there had been a 'killing' at all - rather than an accidental death. The defendant was acquitted.

R v Goldstein (& others) (Basildon CC) - Prosecution counsel in an international conspiracy to counterfeit credit cards and pass them via the UK for use throughout Europe. A substantial disclosure exercise involved sensitive issues concerning cross-border police operations.

## Reported Cases

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## Professional Memberships

> Criminal Bar Association  
> South Eastern Circuit  
> Essex Bar Mess