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### Profile

Before joining Chambers Gavin qualified as a criminal defence solicitor for a large regional firm in 2013. It was at this firm he obtained his police station accreditation, duty solicitor qualification and Higher rights of audience before transferring to the bar in 2015 and continuing to work at the firm as in house counsel. Gavin moved to a local set of chambers shortly after and obtained his CPS grading continuing to work throughout London, Essex, Suffolk and Norfolk both prosecuting and defending a wide range of cases. Gavin has also appeared at the Court of Appeal where he was successful in having a sentence significantly reduced for his client.

Gavin has experience in a broad range of criminal, regulatory matters both prosecuting and defending. Gavin also specialises in motoring law regularly representing clients for a variety of driving matters.

Gavin is a registered Public Access Practitioner so is able to take instructions directly from members of the public.

### Notable Cases

**R v H-** Acquittal : Crown Court trial for handling stolen goods where a stolen item was found in the defendants' bedroom and was found to have a finger-print belonging to the defendant on.

**R v O-** Acquittal : Crown Court trial for theft from a building which was alleged to have been witnessed by three people present at the time.

**R v I-** Acquittal : 2 counts of threats to firebomb a property where the defendant was alleged to have contacted his ex-partner and her mother on separate occasions threatening to firebomb their properties.

**R v H-** Court Martial Acquittal : 4 allegations of assault and mistreatment of soldiers by a senior NCO assaulting soldiers under his control in a training environment.

**R v E-S-** Acquittal : Possession of a bladed article, assault and threats to kill. In this case it was alleged that a kebab shop owner had threatened a neighbouring shop owner having entered the store and arming himself with a large knife. This was alleged to have been witnessed by a number of people in the store and also in neighbouring shops.

**R v M-** Perverting the course of justice : Gavin persuaded the judge to impose a suspended sentence of imprisonment for a defendant who drove a motor vehicle without a licence and under the influence of alcohol before crashing in to another vehicle and leaving the scene then reporting the car as stolen



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to police.

**R v B** - Possession with intent to supply Class A drugs: The defendant pleaded guilty on the day of trial to possession of a quantity of class A drugs of high purity. Gavin managed to persuade the Judge to impose a suspended sentence of imprisonment.

**R v G**- Grievous bodily harm without intent (s.20) : Gavin persuaded the judge to impose a suspended sentence of imprisonment for a male who caused a significant break to the arm of his wife following an argument.

**R v S**- Theft from employer : Gavin persuaded the judge in this occasion to impose a suspended sentence of imprisonment for an employee who had stolen goods to the value of £16,000 from his employer.

**R v C**- Theft from PTA fund : Gavin successfully managed to persuade the sentencing judge not to impose a sentence of immediate custody where a treasurer stole money belonging to the PTA of a school.

**R v H**- Dangerous dogs : In this case a dog pulled an elderly male from a mobility scooter and bit him several times. Gavin successfully persuaded the magistrates not to destroy the dog in this instance.

**R v V**- Dangerous dogs : In this case a dog had bitten another dog and also a person who tried to intervene. Gavin successfully persuaded the magistrates not to destroy the dog despite the owner having a previous conviction for a similar incident.