Rebecca Martin

Call: 2002
Specialist in:

- Criminal Law
- Prison Law
- Civil Law
- Modern Slavery & Trafficking Team

Experience

Rebecca practises in criminal defence at all levels. She has a particular specialism in advising and acting on appeal against conviction or sentence and has extensive experience in the Court of Appeal. she also regularly represents young defendants and those with mental illness and learning disabilities. Rebecca's practice also encompasses all aspects of Prison Law, including parole hearings and judicial reviews.

Rebecca's criminal practice has particular emphasis on violent and sexual offences, although she appears in many other matters. Rebecca's appellate practice is expanding and she often appears in the Court of Appeal. is frequently instructed to advise on appeal against conviction and/or sentence. These are usually extremely serious matters, including appeals regarding sexual offences and those of serious violence. This is an expanding area of Rebecca's practice, and she is known for producing accurate, high-quality work and for exercising impeccable judgment

Education

LLB(Hons)

Memberships

Gray's Inn

Criminal Bar Association
South Eastern Circuit

Cases

R v Steven RICH (aka Steven WHITELAW)

The Applicant received an IPP with a minimum term of 7½ years in 2010 for several armed robberies. He had served long past his tariff expiry date.

The applications for an extension of time and leave to appeal were granted and the appeal was allowed. The Court of Appeal found that the sentencing judge had failed to consider any alternative to an IPP, and that an extended sentence would have sufficed to meet the risk posed by the Applicant. The Court quashed the IPP and substituted an extended sentence with a custodial term of 15 years and a licence extension of 5 years.

Rebecca was instructed by Gavin Rose at Wells Burcombe LLP.