# BARRISTERS

## **Graeme Cook**

Barrister

#### Overview

Graeme was called to the bar in 2016 having practised as a criminal defence lawyer at Senior partner level in his own local firm and immediately prior to his call, several years as an in-house solicitor advocate at a respected **South Tyneside Solicitor firm.** 

Specialising exclusively in crime since 2005, representing clients in serious and complex matters including that of murder, rape, causing death by dangerous driving, armed robbery and conspiracies ranging from class A drugs to wounding with intent, he brings a wealth of experience to the Criminal Team and their professional clients.

Graeme was appointed a Recorder of the Crown Court, North Eastern Circuit in 2008 and presides over a range of criminal matters including serious sexual offences such a Rape. He sits at level two on the Crown Prosecution Service panel of Advocates.

#### **Recent Cases**

R-v- S: Conspiracy to Supply Class A – Successfully argued no case to answer after

R-v-W: Conspiracy to supply class a drugs – Jury acquittal after a 4 week trial.

R-v-W: Rape – Complainant was the Defendant's girlfriend – Defence of alibi – jury failed to agree a verdict – Crown did not proceed to a re-trial.

R-v-E: Death by careless driving.

R-v-L: (Police Officer) – Racially aggravated S39 – Jury acquittal.

R-v-C: Rape – Defence of exaggeration succeeded.

R-v-R: Fraud – Successful submission of no case to answer after rigorous cross examination of Chief investigator on PACE.

R-v G: Robbery & witness intimidation – Jury acquittal.

R-v-B: Section 20 – Jury acquittal – street brawl involving CCTV and independent

R-v-B: Murder first S73 agreement for a defendant charged with murder.



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### **Practice Areas**

Crime

Regulatory

## **Professional** Qualifications

Appointed Recorder of the Crown Court 2008

LLB (Hons): Law (1982)

