



ALEX BAILIN QC

BUSINESS CRIME AND EXTRADITION CV

MAIN AREAS OF PRACTICE:

Crime and Regulatory
Extradition and Mutual
Assistance
Fraud, Financial and Business
Crime

Called to the Bar 1995

Appointed to Silk 2010

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Alex's practice encompasses all aspects of business crime and extradition.

Alex is recommended by the legal directories as a leading Silk in a total of eight areas, including crime, criminal fraud, business & regulatory crime (including global investigations) and financial crime (individuals and corporates). He is also recommended in international crime and extradition.

BUSINESS CRIME & EXTRADITION

Previously a derivatives trader in the City who read Mathematics at Cambridge University, Alex is instructed in a wide variety of commercial and business crime cases: corporate manslaughter, corruption, cartels, frauds of all kinds, sanctions offences, insider dealing, financial services and other regulatory offences.

He represents a wide range of bodies and persons: senior business executives, oligarchs, regulators, prosecuting authorities, professional bodies, shareholders, multinational corporations, private equity groups, banks, traders, foreign governments, sovereign wealth funds, journalists and media organisations. He is sought after for his advice during the investigatory stages and for heavyweight trial work. His business crime practice is a healthy combination of advisory, trial and appellate work. He is also increasingly in demand in cases where criminal and civil issues intersect e.g. Commercial Court cases where there are parallel criminal investigations or proceedings.

His practice frequently involves international and cross-border issues e.g. multijurisdictional investigations, extradition, Interpol Red Notices and sanctions. He acts for requested persons and foreign governments. He has experience of criminal cases from many diverse jurisdictions e.g. USA, Russia, Ukraine, France, Jersey, Iceland, Greece, the Middle East and a number of Caribbean countries. He is recommended as one of the Best Fraud Lawyers in the UK in the Global Best Lawyers directory and a 'Thought Leader' for Investigations and Criminal Fraud in Who's Who Legal.

He is a contributing author to various leading textbooks on criminal law and fraud. He is on the Serious Fraud Office's QC list.

DIRECTORIES' RECOMMENDATIONS

HERE'S WHAT THEY SAY:

"Quick on his feet, he fights hard and is great with commercial clients in a way few criminal barristers are."; "Exuding intelligence and poise." Chambers & Partners 2021, Crime

"A superb silk"; "Innovative, very smooth and a class act, he takes the case to another level" Chambers & Partners 2021, Extradition

"Considerable experience of representing blue-chip clients"; "very, very bright" Chambers & Partners 2021, Financial Crime

"a joy to work with"; "highly intelligent" (Legal 500 2021, Crime)

"Superb on the law"; "clients love him"; "a superb advocate" (Legal 500 2021, Public International Law)

"A unique silk"; "instills confidence in his clients and those that instruct him" (Legal 500 2021, International Crime and Extradition)

"Fantastic advocate" (Legal 500 2021, Civil Liberties and Human Rights (Including Actions Against the Police))

"responsive and strategic"; "exceptional insight into cases involving market misconduct" (Legal 500 2021, Business and Regulatory Crime (Including Global Investigations))

"incredibly effective in all settings"; "incredibly valuable on financial services cases" (Chambers UK 2019, Financial Crime - Corporates)

"shines through in complex extradition cases and is a very accomplished advocate"; "incredibly bright" (Chambers UK 2020, Extradition)

"a compelling advocate" (Legal 500 UK 2019, Business Crime)

"everyone wants him on their side" (Chambers UK 2019, Human Rights)

"a real commercial sense of what clients need" (Chambers UK 2020, Financial Crime)

RECENT/NOTABLE CASES

Fraud, financial and corporate crime

- Representing senior business executives, banks and corporates in many of the largest SFO fraud and corruption investigations to date e.g. LIBOR, Rolls Royce, Petrofac and EURIBOR
- Commercial Court cases with parallel US DoJ investigations / prosecutions e.g. Libyan Investment Authority v SocGen Bank
- Tchenguiz v SFO (investigation into collapse of Kaupthing Bank; judicial review and resulting Commercial Court claim)
- Representing Railtrack plc and its former Chief Executive (corporate manslaughter trial)
- GlaxoSmithKline (criminal investigation into paediatric clinical trials)
- R (Redknapp) v City of London Police (corruption investigation in Premiership football)
- Representing the Vice President and Assistant General Counsel of Enron Europe Ltd.
- Advising the Law Society on the legality of new money laundering guidelines
- Representing a property developer in a major corruption investigation in the Turks & Caicos Islands
- R v Stanford (internet entrepreneur charged with unlawful email interception)
- Representing a consultant doctor charged with fraud relating to expert witness fees
- Representing the UK President and Finance Director of Alstom Group in a major SFO corruption investigation
- R v Sidhu (insider dealing, FCA prosecution, hedge fund, co-operating accomplice)
- A number of judicial reviews of arrests, search warrants, mutual legal assistance and other challenges in business crime investigations
- FCA criminal / market abuse investigations: particular expertise in insider dealing and 'spoofing' cases
- Criminal tax investigations
- Representing the UK managing director of a multinational in a complex cartel investigation
- UK Supreme Court appeal on the rights of children in extradition cases
- UK Supreme Court case on legality of United Nations sanctions

Extradition

- Pearse v USA - Credit Suisse Mozambique loans prosecution
- Cleveland v USA – mental element in homicide
- Singh v USA – dark web drug trafficking
- HH v Italy - UK Supreme Court appeal on the rights of children in extradition cases
- Diri v USA – extradition, conspiracy to defraud, export sanctions
- Arpasi v Hungary – extradition, prison conditions

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- Love v USA – extradition, forum bar
- Giese v USA – extradition, repeat requests, abuse of process

Current work includes

- Advising banks, directors, traders and multi-national corporations in numerous corporate criminal investigations (domestic and cross-border)
- Advising shareholders and acting for business magnate Leonid Nevzlin in relation to Yukos Oil Company
- Acting for various high profile individuals subject to Interpol Red Notices

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, Montgomery & Ormerod, Fraud: Criminal Law and Procedure
- Co-author, Blackstone's Criminal Practice
- Co-author, Emmerson & Ashworth, Human Rights & Criminal Justice
- Co-author GIR Guide to Global Investigations
- Numerous articles on public law, crime, fraud and human rights in legal journals, the national and financial press
- A regular speaker at legal conferences (UK and international), including specialist seminars on business and transnational crime

OTHER INFORMATION

Crown Court Recorder
Deputy High Court Judge (Administrative Court)

Alex is regulated by the Bar Standards Board and accepts instructions under Standard Contractual Terms. To find out more information on this and the way we work at Matrix, including our fee transparency statement, please see our [service standards](#).