



# Ahmed Muen

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Ahmed Muen is an experienced Barrister with a focus on criminal and regulatory law, undertaking both defence and prosecution work.

Ahmed is often instructed on cases of a serious and complex nature. He has expertise in financial crime, having dealt with large scale money laundering cases and complex frauds, often concerning millions of pounds moving across various jurisdictions. He is experienced in dealing with hawala transfers, cross-border transactions, and cash forfeitures.

Professional and lay clients have often credited Ahmed's fearless advocacy and ability to quickly identify legal issues. Clients have often commended his ability to build when dealing with their cases.

Ahmed is fluent in Arabic and has strong connections within the Arab community, having represented and advised many of them on sensitive legal issues. As well as this, Ahmed is the president of the Arab Lawyers Association. He is also qualified to accept instructions under Direct Access.

## Expertise

### Gangs & Organised Crime Groups

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#### Notable Gangs & Organised Crime Groups cases

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##### **R v T (Operation Kimball) - Norwich Crown Court**

Conspiracy to supply Class A

Instructed as junior alone in a 6 handed conspiracy to supply class A county lines case. Appeared for the Defendant third on the indictment and alleged to have been the lieutenant in a conspiracy to supply drugs in Great Yarmouth. The case involved over 130,000 pages of phone evidence and cell site data and lasted 8 weeks

##### **R v DG (Operation Glengorm) – Lewes Crown Court**

Conspiracy to commit burglary & robbery

Instructed as a led junior on a multi-handed case concerning several conspiracies to commit armed burglary and robbery. The case involved over 25,000 pages of phone data, cell site and ANPR. Listed for 8 weeks.

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### **R v K – Nottingham Crown Court**

Kidnap and conspiracy to supply Class A

Instructed as a junior alone in a 6 handed drugs conspiracy and kidnapping. The case involved significant ANPR evidence and over 30,000 pages of phone evidence.

## **Firearms**

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### **Notable Firearms cases**

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#### **R v K – Luton Crown Court**

Possession of a prohibited weapon

Case regarding possession of a shotgun, which was later taken into a school.

## **Closure Orders**

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Ahmed has considerable experience in both applications for and against closure orders in both residential and commercial premises. He has represented local authorities and private business owners in closure order hearings.

### **Notable Closure Orders cases**

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#### **Thanet Council v K and others**

Successful closure order applications made against 7 separate businesses, in an area who were selling counterfeit tobacco.

## **Money Laundering**

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### **Notable Money Laundering cases**

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#### **R v J – Snaresbrook Crown Court – Conspiracy to conceal criminal property**

Led junior on a 5 handed, £34 million money laundering case. Represented the first Defendant who was alleged to have organised a complex multi-jurisdiction money transfer operation. After 7 weeks and several legal arguments on disclosure, the Prosecution were forced to offer no evidence.

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#### **R v H (Operation Albany) - Bristol Crown Court – Facilitating transfer of criminal property**

Instructed as a led junior on a 9 handed, £7.5 million money laundering case. Represented the Defendant first on the indictment who was alleged to have been the ringleader and mastermind behind the conspiracy. The case involved large

amounts of phone and financial data. After an 8-week trial the Defendant was acquitted.

## Sexual Offences

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### Notable Sexual Offences cases

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#### R v Ghatei (Southwark Crown Court) 2024

Represented defendant charged with rape. The Crown's case was the defendant had recorded the rape and footage was played to the jury. The defence contested the footage had been manipulated and altered. After 7 days at Southwark Crown Court the jury acquitted the defendant of rape, controlling and coercive behaviour, threatening to disclose sexual photographs and videos and theft. The jury was unable to reach a verdict on a further count of sexual assault but following representations made the CPS decided not to seek a retrial.

## Memberships

- Criminal Bar Association
- President of the Arab Lawyers Association

## Languages

- Arabic