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Ross joined Chambers in October 2024, following successful completion of his pupillage. He has built a busy Crown Court practice, earning a strong reputation for client care amongst instructing solicitors across a wide range of criminal matters. He regularly conducts Local Authority prosecutions.

Whilst a paralegal at Boutique Law LLP, he directly assisted partners and associates. His research contributed to an extradition case in the Supreme Court, and he helped support clients through SRA and Charities Commission investigations.

Ross provided legal research and administrative support to over 100 barristers at Matrix Chambers, gaining experience across a huge range of practice areas including criminal, public, civil and employment matters. Ross also ran a scheme which provided opportunities and training to young aspiring lawyers from underrepresented backgrounds at the Bar.

Ross has [co-authored an article for the New Law Journal](#) which analyses the de-banking trend in the banking sector. He has also contributed administratively to the Independent Commission for Equity in Cricket's report into equity within the sport.

At university, he received a distinction for his LLM dissertation which analysed how the law of self-defence applies to householders inside their home.

Expertise

Violence and weapons

Notable Violence and weapons cases

[R v Cassidy \[2025\] Oxford Crown Court](#)

A young man and his father were accused of a violent assault on multiple complainants arising out of a payment dispute on a building site. Ross represented the son. After successfully opposing a hearsay application under s.116(2)(c) CJA 2003 on day three of trial, the prosecution offered no evidence against his client.

R v Mouzali [2025] Isleworth Crown Court

Ross represented a young man who pleaded guilty to possession of a bladed article, a s.4 Public Order Act offence, and most significantly of robbery, whereby he robbed the victim of his phone after allegedly gesturing to a knife on his hip. The client denied producing a bladed article for the purposes of the Sentencing Guidelines. After extensive representations and submissions, Ross persuaded the court that a Newton Hearing was not necessary despite the party's difference of opinion on categorisation.

Ross then secured a total sentence of 2 years and 2 months custody for his client.

R v Miah-Moria [2025] Southend Crown Court

Ross represented this client at sentence for being concerned in the supply of class A drugs x4, and for aggravated robbery, after he was convicted at trial of assaulting the victim in his home, whilst he was asleep, with a bottle, before stamping on his head until he was unconscious. The incident arose out of a drug debt. He received a total of 17 years.

R v Stavri [2025] Ipswich Magistrates' Court

Ross persuaded the court to impose a community order for his client who had been found guilty of ABH by hitting her ex-partner multiples times on the head with the heel of her stiletto shoe.

R v Richards [2024] Thames Magistrates' Court

Ross obtained a suspended sentence of 21 weeks, suspended for 12 months, for his client who had pleaded guilty to his second offence for possession of a blade or weapon. Ross successfully persuaded the bench that there were exceptional circumstances which meant that the mandatory sentence of 6 months immediate custody would be unjust.

Sexual Offences

Notable Sexual Offences cases

R v Norman [2025] Cambridge Crown Court

Ross represented a man at sentence who, having been found to be dangerous on account of his previous convictions for similar specified offences, received an extended sentence of 10 years for attempting to sexually communicate with a child, breaching a Sexual Offences Prevention Order x2, breaching notification requirements and possessing over 1700 indecent images of children, all of which he pleaded guilty to.

R v K [2024] Harrow Crown Court

Ross obtained an 8-month suspended custodial sentence (suspended for 2 years) for his client who had admitted to making over 200 indecent images of children, 88 of which were category A images.

R v P [2024] Inner London Crown Court

Ross was instructed on behalf of a man with complex mental health issues who had been committed for sentence after admitting to 3 counts of indecent exposure by masturbating in public places. Ross persuaded the court to give his client a 12 week sentence, suspended for 18 months. He also negotiated the terms of the SHPO that the court imposed, to make them far less onerous.

Drugs

Notable Drugs cases

R v Njose [2025] Southwark Crown Court

Ross' client received a total sentence of 4 years and 10 months for 4 offences of possessing Class A drugs with intent to supply, 3 offences of possessing Class B drugs with intent to supply, and possession of criminal property. 2 of the Class A offences were committed 16 months before the 2 most recent Class A offences.

Cases involving prohibitive orders

Notable Cases involving prohibitive orders cases

R v Wilson [2024] King's Lynn Crown Court

Ross persuaded the court that there were sufficient rehabilitative prospects in respect of his client that to activate a suspended sentence would be unjust. His client was convicted of 7 offences, putting him in breach of a suspended sentence order, a community order, and a conditional discharge, all for various offences.

He was due to be sentenced for those 7 further offences (including breach of a non-molestation order), in addition to being dealt with for the various breaches.

Ross persuaded the Judge to revoke the previous Community Order and impose a new one, and to mark the breach of the suspended sentence order by way of a fine whilst allowing that order to continue.

R v Berry [2024] Highbury Corner Magistrates Court

Ross successfully opposed the imposition of a Criminal Behaviour Order for his client who would repeatedly and impulsively call emergency services.

R v ZA [2024] Ipswich Magistrates' Court

Ross successfully opposed the imposition of an interim Sexual Risk Order, by persuading the court that to impose it would be unjust in all the circumstances.

Offences against the administration of justice

Notable Offences against the administration of justice cases

R v Dowsing [2025] Ipswich Crown Court

Ross obtained a suspended sentence for his client who had admitted to perverting the course of justice by making a false allegation to the police that she had been sexually assaulted, resulting in wasted investigation costs of some £6000, accumulated over a number of months. The Judge noted that the sentence for such offences is almost inevitably immediate custody.

Cases involving Youths

Notable Cases involving Youths cases

R v J [2025] Highbury Corner Youth Court

This case involved 2 youths, one of whom was brandishing a machete, chasing another youth into a pub in the middle of the day. Ross represented the young man with the machete. After pleading guilty at trial, he fell to be sentenced for possession of a blade, threats with a blade and affray.

Ross secured a 12-month Youth Referral Order despite this not being the client's first conviction.

R v S [2024] Wimbledon Youth Court

After mitigation, Ross persuaded the court to impose a £30 fine for his client who had admitted to various and persistent breaches of a YRO.

Regulatory and Local Authority

Notable Regulatory and Local Authority cases

Westminster City Council v Colledge [2025] Westminster Magistrates' Court

Prosecuting, Ross successfully argued that it was not an abuse of process to prosecute a defendant for offences under the Fraud Act 2006 where they had already paid a Parking Charge Notice in respect of the same conduct. The defendant then pleaded guilty.

London Borough of Camden v Jonathan Bucknell and J. Bucknell Ltd

Ross successfully prosecuted an individual and his company for 5 offences under the Housing Act 2004 pertaining to the mis-management of a House in Multiple Occupation. The company director was fined £10,000, and the company was fined £5,000.

LB Camden v Shakib & Co Ltd [2024] Highbury Corner Magistrates' Court

Ross was instructed on behalf of the London Borough of Camden to prosecute a company for displaying an unauthorised advertisement on one of their properties. Ross persuaded the court that the advertisement did not benefit from deemed consent under the Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007. The company was convicted and fined £1500.

Offences involving animals

Notable Offences involving animals cases

R v Musk [2024] Croydon Magistrates' Court

Instructed on behalf of a defendant facing a trial for breaching an order which banned him from transporting animals, after he had been found by police with a dog in his car. After reviewing Ross' written representations, the CPS offered no evidence against his client.

R v Eastwood [2024] Willesden Magistrates' Court

Ross obtained a financial penalty for his client who admitted being an owner of a dog that was dangerously out of control and had seriously wounded two other dogs. Ross also successfully resisted an application for an order banning his client from owning dogs in the future, after having persuaded the court that he was a fit and proper person to own a dog.

Qualifications

- Cardiff University – Bar Professional Training Course
- Cardiff University – Legal Practice LLM
- Cardiff University – Law LLB

Memberships

- The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn – Droop Scholar
- Criminal Bar Association