

Alan Wheetman

Barrister (Call Date: 1995)



Alan Wheetman is a specialist criminal law barrister who has worked in the Criminal Justice System since 1975, both in the public and private sector.

In 1995 he was called to the Bar and joined East Anglian Chambers shortly thereafter. Since that time he has worked for both the prosecution and defence and is happy to accept instructions for cases in the Magistrates and Crown Courts. Alan specialises in cases of motoring, domestic violence and public order offences. Alan has extensive experience in helping people through cases where mental health issues may be present or cases involving child or other vulnerable witnesses. Alan works for solicitors and also takes direct instructions from individuals seeking expert criminal law advice.

As well as his work at the Bar, Alan is qualified as a Consultant in Advanced Hypnotherapy. As such, he is often instructed to represent nervous or vulnerable clients caught up in the criminal justice system. Alan is highly skilled in dealing with criminal cases where emotions on both sides of the argument can run high.

Motoring Law

Alan is regularly called upon to defend on the instruction of insurance and haulage companies where their clients are in jeopardy of losing their driving licence and sometimes their liberty. His instructions take him to Crown Courts around the country representing

drivers charged with causing death by dangerous or careless driving.

Whether it is a trial of a sexual or violent nature, a dog being dangerously out of control, or a straightforward motoring plea, Alan assures his clients of the same dedication to the case in hand.

Readily approachable; Alan is happy to discuss and advise on the progress of a case at all stages of the proceedings.



Court and tribunal experience

Magistrates
Crown Courts

Qualifications / Education

Law - LLB (Hons) - 1994

Memberships / Appointments

Criminal Bar Association

South Eastern Circuit

Legal 500 and other relevant quotations

“Thank you so much again for all your help and sage advice. I hope never to be in the position to need your services again, but I cannot recommend you highly enough to anybody who may. Throughout, your advice has been clear and invaluable in helping me understand the process. I was thoroughly impressed with how you argued the matter at court and presented my case.”

Mr. Keith Engledow
Successfully acquitted
November 2020

“Alan Wheatman has been the most marvellous Counsel I could have possibly hoped for and I absolutely would give him the highest recommendations to anybody seeking such assistance as I found myself requiring.”

Client successfully acquitted

“It was truly great having you to represent me at the hearing at Peterborough. I’ve had a few tough jobs to deal with at work recently, but all was thoroughly put into perspective because of having the ability to drive and get them done. It is not until something so important to you is nearly taken away, that you realise how hard life could be. Not being able to drive would have been really difficult for me, so I sincerely thank you for the great speech you gave to the court on my behalf and the best possible outcome that was achieved. I have no hesitation in recommending you and will do so should there be an opportunity.”

Michael M. from Letchworth.

“Alan has provided some excellent advice and advocacy on behalf of a number of Defendants, via our insurer clients, in relation to a variety of motoring matters. The cases have involved death or serious injury of which Alan has dealt with, with the upmost professionalism and compassion and at the same time achieving some outstanding results.

Not only has Alan thwarted my advice when I advised a Defendant that he was

going to be found guilty, and was then acquitted after trial, he was also commended by a senior investigating police officer, in a death by careless driving matter, for the way he presented the case and secured an acquittal.

My clients and I always insist on Alan representing them in such matters.”

Ron Ruston (partner) Kennedys Law LLP
