



Julia Flanagan.

Year of call Call:

Barrister • 1993

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What others say:

- *"Flanagan is a brilliant advocate. She has an innate ability to completely undermine a witness, but charm them at the same time."*

"Julia Flanagan is clear and confident and very involved. She is engaged from the outset."

Chambers & Partners, Crime 2026

- *"Attention to detail is second to none and her knowledge of the law. Really impressive advocate."* **Legal 500, Leading Junior 2026**
- *"She makes herself available for clients all the time and is very organised. She has a really pleasant manner with clients and is very experienced."*

"Julia is great with clients and you know you will get a great service every time."

"She is very adept and produces excellent written work. She is thorough in trial and knows the case inside and out." **Chambers and Partners 2025 - Crime, Leading Juniors**

- *'Julia is a star counsel who is inevitably destined to be silk before too long if she so chooses. She is very clever legally and tactically as well as incredibly approachable. Julia is hugely respected by her peers, with silks actively asking to work with her.'* **Legal 500 - Crime, Leading Juniors 2025**



Present and Recent Instructions:

- R v F. Member reality TV show acquitted of 'date' rape.
- The Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis v X. Police officer accused of sexual assault of a fellow officer. Case not proven.
- R v B. Partner in law firm accused of multiple counts rape. Acquitted.
- R v O. Businesswoman accused drunken assault upon police officer. Acquitted.
- R v K. Consultant physician accused multiple counts sexual assault in hospital. Acquitted.
- R v C. Medical professional accused multiple charges sexual assault of employees. Acquitted.

Practice profile:

A highly experienced, innovative and hard-working advocate, Julia is a leading London junior who specialises in sexual crime, crime related to the most serious violence and financial crime. Julia is predominantly privately instructed and she has appeared successfully in both the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal.

Instructed in serious and complex cases, she acts as both leading and junior counsel and is accustomed to dealing with the most sensitive cases involving vulnerable defendants and witnesses. She has successfully defended clients in trials involving multi-handed violence, sex, fraud and serious organised crime. Julia has particular experience in financial crime with paper heavy cases with multiple defendants, being involved in some of the most serious fraud cases over the last 10+ years.

Julia appears on behalf of medical and other professionals in regulatory proceedings and is accustomed to dealing with the national press in relation to resisting pre-trial publicity.

- R v B. Solicitor accused conditional consent rape. Acquitted.
- R v S. Client accused masterminding large scale drugs conspiracy. Guilty plea.
- R v B. Solicitor accused conditional consent 'date rape'. Acquitted.
- WCC v WFW Ltd. Represented company for mitigation and sentence in respect of serious breaches Food Safety and Hygiene Regulations.

Examples of Upcoming Work:

- R v B and 2 others. Financier client accused of participation in group rape.
- R v J and Others. Accountant accused of being part of conspiracy to defraud HMRC of £98 million.
- LBWF v TP. Representing national company for mitigation and sentence in respect of serious breaches Food Safety and Hygiene Regulations in respect of catering for children.
- R v W. Police officer accused of multiple rapes against partner.
- R v G. Former rugby player accused rape of 4 women.
- R v L. Businessman accused leading role in large scale importation fraud and money laundering.
- R v P. Advising well known national DJ in respect of ongoing appeal.

A highly experienced, innovative and hard-working advocate, Julia is a leading London junior who specialises in sexual crime, crime related to the most serious violence and financial crime. Julia is predominantly privately instructed and accustomed to representing high net worth individuals. She has appeared successfully in both the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal.

Instructed in serious and complex cases, she acts as both leading and junior counsel and is accustomed to dealing with the most sensitive cases involving vulnerable defendants and witnesses. She has successfully defended clients in trials involving multi-handed sex, violence, fraud and serious organised crime.

Julia has particular experience in sexual and financial crime involving multiple defendants. She has been involved in some of the most serious fraud cases over many years.

Julia appears on behalf of medical and other professionals in regulatory proceedings and is accustomed to dealing with the national press in relation to resisting pre-trial publicity.

Julia represents police officers in both substantive and accelerated misconduct proceedings.

Sexual offences:

Julia is an expert in the field of sexual offences and has successfully represented many professionals accused of such offences. She deals with a range of offences, from gang rape, kidnap and torture to familial sexual offences against children. She is innovative in her approach, having, for example, successfully run the defence of sexomnia and is meticulous in her preparation of each case. She is well versed in the use of the S28 provisions, successfully defending her clients notwithstanding the court-imposed restrictions on cross-examination and the use of pre-recorded video testimony.

Drug offences and organised crime:

Over the past 30 years, Julia has developed a huge amount of expertise in representing defendants accused of the most serious offences, ranging from large scale conspiracies to import Class A drugs to offences of murder and manslaughter. She has an expertise in managing high volumes of evidence and data and dealing with complex issues of disclosure.

