



James Turner

Position

Senior Partner

Practices

- [Fraud, White Collar & Business Crime](#)
- [Private Client Criminal Defence](#)
- [Criminal Defence & Serious Crimes](#)
- [Road Traffic & Driving Offences](#)

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Memberships

CLSA, Birmingham Law Society Criminal Law Committee, Defence representative to the Area Delivery Group

Languages

British Sign Language - Level 1

James Turner qualified as a Solicitor in 1997 joining Tuckers Solicitors, Birmingham office in September 2000. He is the Supervising Solicitor for the office and was made a Senior Partner of the firm in July 2015.

James has been a Duty Solicitor since 1998 and currently attends on the central Birmingham Court and Police Station Duty rotas. He is a committed Trial Advocate. James also conducts the preparation of cases proceeding before the Crown Court. He is involved in all stages of criminal proceedings attending client's under arrest or attending the Police Station on a voluntary basis, through proceedings at the Magistrates Court, the Crown Court and upon appeal to the Appellate Courts.

He is responsible for the supervision of the firm's quality standards and ensuring that all clients receive both continuity of representation in their case and the high level of professionalism expected by client's of the firm.

James is a member of the Birmingham Law Society Criminal Law Sub Committee and attends the Local Criminal Justice Group inter agency meetings. He is a member of the peer review panel of the Legal Services Commission.

James ensures the Birmingham Office of Tuckers Solicitors provides representation at all levels and in all types of criminal cases. The office also provides agency representation for other firms seeking assistance both at the central and peripheral Magistrates Courts and Police Stations throughout the West Midlands area.

Cases

- **R v D:** Appeal against the imposition and terms of Sex Offences Prevention Order. Successful in considerably reduction in the terms as part of a leading

authority in the subject area.

- **R v T:** Possession of false identity documents and fraudulent misuse of such documents with a view to financial transactions. Alleged to have been linked to a separate conspiracy to cultivate cannabis. Represented the defendant at the Crown Court where an immediate custodial sentence was avoided notwithstanding prevailing sentencing guidelines.
- **R v M:** Manslaughter, wounding and false imprisonment. Matter subject to ongoing appeal process.
- **R v E:** Conspiracy to defraud. Representing one of large number of defendants facing a large scale conspiracy to defraud relating to the music industry and recycling industry. Case ongoing and pending trial. VHCC case.
- **R v C:** Secured acquittal of defendant charged with assault occasioning actual bodily harm in domestic context, where prosecution were persuaded to offer no evidence once the credibility of the complainant had been materially affected.
- **R v S** Robbery. Representing youth tried at the Crown Court as part of a multi handed prosecution arising from mobile phone thefts. Robbery case dismissed and defendant received an absolute discharge for an offence of common assault.
- **R v H:** Conspiracy to avoid payment of excise revenue. Ongoing representation of a client charged as part of a multi defendant conspiracy investigated by HMRC and involving millions of pounds in evaded excise duty.