

ASHLEY A EDWARDS QC

YEAR OF CALL/YEAR OF SILK

2000/2016

EDUCATION

University of Dundee

- BSc Pharmacology. (Hons)
- LLB
- Diploma legal practice
- NITA Advocacy Course (2011)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1987-1989 Bristol-Myers Pharmaceuticals

1993-1996 Solicitor in private practice

1996-1999 Procurator Fiscal depute

2006-2008 Ad hoc Advocate depute

2008 - Advocate Depute

September 2011 –January 2015 Senior Advocate Depute

January 2015 – to date Assistant Principal Crown Counsel

AREAS OF PRACTICE

Criminal Law, Child Law, Mental Health, FAIs, Health and Safety Prosecutions, Road Traffic, Proceeds of Crime, Human Rights and Devolution Issues, Appeals

COURTS/TRIBUNAL EXPERIENCE

All Scottish criminal courts including High Court, Appeal Court and referrals to the Sheriff Court..

SELECTED CASES

Outer House – Middleton V Chief Constables of Grampian and Tayside

High Court Trials

2009

- HMA v Allan – Murder 142 stab wounds potential for provocation by Homosexual advance
- HMA v Scott – Murder Issues of concert

2010

- HMA v Higgins – sodomy and rape complainers were very young children

2011

- HMA v MR – Historical sexual offences – Moorov , Corroboration and Mens Rea
- HMA v Skut – Indecent assault of a 2 year old child. Medical issues regarding the child's presentation and anal injuries

2012

- HMA v Robertson and Parafinowski + 2 - Murder issues of concert, Mens Rea, medical issues re cause of death and medical intervention.
- HMA v Richard Munro – Attempt to defeat ends of justice by serving Police Officer during a murder investigation , trial and Appeal

2013

- HMA v Taylor – Murder , Cause of death, Corroboration
- HMA v Gordon and Paterson + 1 - Murder- concert , cause of death
- HMA v Nisbet - Murder – circumstantial case

2014

- HMA v Kenneth Harper – sexual offences , Moorov

APPOINTMENTS & MEMBERSHIPS

Scottish Criminal Bar Association

Mock Trials Competition tutor

Mooting Judge Edinburgh University

Visiting Lecturer Tulliallan Police College

PARTICULAR INTERESTS

- Medico legal evidence.
- Forensic psychological and psychiatric evidence.
- Examination of vulnerable children and vulnerable witness using special measures