

HIS HONOUR JUDGE RUPERT OVERBURY (S71-76)

Rupert was born in 1957 and after leaving the College took a law degree before being called to the Bar in 1984.

His areas of practise have been :-

All criminal work, divided equally between defence and prosecution.

Expertise in a variety of fraud cases, including corruption, bank and building society fraud, VAT and Revenue fraud, car ringing, fraudulent trading, video piracy, counterfeiting, insurance and advance fee frauds.

Has extended, over recent years, to include serious sex offences, child abuse and offences of violence.

He has been instructed in licensing cases for both the Local Authority and the Applicants.

His notable cases have been :-

R v Chan Fook 99 Cr. App. R 147 CA

R v Worcester Magistrates' Court, ex parte Leavesley and others The Times, January 14th 1993 D.C.

R v Melanie Myers [1997] 3 WLR 552 (HL)

NTL Group Ltd v Ipswich Crown Court [2002] EWHC 1585 (Admin)

Hayes v Chelmsford Crown Court [2003] co/4830/2002

He was appointed as a Recorder on the South Eastern Circuit in 2003.

He is a member of the South Eastern Circuit Bar Mess, the Essex Bar Mess, the Criminal Bar Association, the Panel of Barristers selected by the General Council of the Bar to prosecute before the Bar Disciplinary Tribunal and is on the Management Committee of Leiston Citizens Advice Bureau, participating in the "Bar in the Community" programme.

On 29 October 2007 it was announced that "HM The Queen has appointed Rupert Simon Overbury to be a Circuit Judge on the advice of the Lord Chancellor, the Right Honourable Jack Straw MP. The Lord Chief Justice, Lord Phillips of Worth Matravers, has assigned him to the South Eastern Circuit, based at Basildon Combined Court Centre with effect from Tuesday 13 November 2007."

