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Practice Overview

During his substantial career as a criminal defender, Andrew has worked on a high number of murder, fraud, money laundering, VHCC and sexual offence cases. The latter includes a number of historical compensation claims such as the Rillington Place murder and the last man in Wales to hang. He has also represented a number of sportsmen including international rugby players.

Due to his extensive experience, reputation and fascinating commentary he has also been an adviser to the BBC for over 18 years and takes part in numerous legal discussions and debates. He regularly appears on television programmes, Radio 4, Radio 5, Radio 2 and Radio Wales, providing advice, commentary and opinion, and also advises the BBC on the production of legal/current affairs programmes.

Notable and Reported cases

- R v Powell & others (2001) Crim LR 149.
 - Sentencing Guidelines and principles for offences of taking or making indecent photos or pseudo photographs of children.

- R v Williams & Lamb (1994) Crim LR
 - Theft surrounding mortgage fraud and solicitor's accounts.

- R v Gibson
 - Sentencing Guidelines for Attempted Murder.

- R v Yhnell
 - Divisional Court case involving breath tests.

- Other

Representing the families of Timothy Evans (Rillington Place murder), and Mahmood Mattan (last man in Wales to hang), in respect of their claims against the Home Office for compensation for wrongful execution



Recommendations

- 'The experienced Andrew Taylor's recent work has included fraud and murder cases. He is noted for the strength of his appellate practice'. (Chambers UK 2012)
- 'Andrew Taylor is recommended for his extensive criminal practice and his efforts in seeking compensation for wrongful conviction/execution'.(Chambers UK 2011)
- 'Andrew Taylor...has a broad criminal practice with a specialism in gaining compensation for wrongful convictions. He provides advice to the BBC and is well known in the legal community for this role. He also worked on R v Mattan, the last man in Wales to hang'.(Chambers UK 2010)
- 'Andrew Taylor wins praise due to the "zeal and determination he exhibits"'.(Chambers UK 2008)

Education & Qualification

- BVC
- BSc (Econ) Cambs