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Tim Hunter practices in all areas of criminal law, prosecuting and defending across a wide range of cases, undertaking both privately and publicly funded casework.

Tim has extensive experience advising in large, multi-handed cases involving technical, complex, sensitive and voluminous evidence in the areas of financial crime, terrorism, drugs, human trafficking, kidnapping and serious sexual offence cases. With a busy and successful practice, he predominantly leads case teams and has a wealth of experience including matters arising under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act, PII, and evidential features in particular telephone and cell-site evidence. He also advises on and drafts representations to prosecuting authorities regarding the discontinuance of anticipated proceedings.

Tim has experience and is currently instructed in other areas, in particular:

- Private prosecutions – extensive experience advising on anticipated proceedings and bringing matters to trial. He has particular expertise in private prosecutions arising out of fraudulent insurance claims in the travel industry.
- Advisory work in relation to ongoing and anticipated criminal proceedings in Jersey.

Tim is happy to accept instructions on a Direct Access basis.

Examples of recent work includes:

- R v AM: Defending in multi-ton drugs importation.
- R v DA: Leading counsel defending in large scale banking fraud and money laundering.
- R v NA: Leading counsel defending in controlling prostitution and money laundering.
- R v AK: Defending in large scale drugs' line operation.
- Operations Shapeship and Coadminster: Prosecuting large scale drug trafficking arising out of 'EncroChat' investigation.
- Operation Concho: Leading counsel prosecuting twenty-six handed County Lines allegation.
- Jet2 Holidays v Royle: Private prosecution relating to fraudulent holiday illness claim.
- Operation Shipshapely: Leading counsel prosecuting allegations of trademark and related money laundering offences.
- R v Kapur: Leading counsel defending in a thirteen handed money laundering allegation.
- Operation Cyclaman: Leading counsel prosecuting nine handed allegations of kidnapping and false imprisonment.
- Operation Tritia: Prosecuting large scale 'Smishing' fraud and related money laundering offences.
- R v N & Others: Leading counsel defending allegations of multi-jurisdictional money laundering.
- Operation Ranji: Leading counsel in large scale 'county lines' investigation.
- Operation Disney: Leading counsel prosecuting allegations of VAT fraud and money laundering.

- Tui Limited v Coiro & Falzon
- Operation Zypher: Leading counsel prosecuting ten handed case involving the fraudulent obtaining of finance agreements on high value cars.
- R v Hameed and Others: Leading counsel prosecuting in nationwide 'Phising' fraud involving eight trials and 24 defendants and ancillary multi-jurisdictional confiscation proceedings.
- R v Fischer and Others: Leading counsel prosecuting the largest UK counterfeit coin currency case.
- R v Kumar and Others: Leading counsel prosecuting fourteen handed immigration fraud.
- R v Idies and Others: Prosecuting illicit pharmaceutical production and unlicensed sales of prescription drugs.
- R v W: Counsel defending company director charged with fraudulent insurance claims.
- R v B: Counsel defending a police officer charged with causing death by dangerous driving.

Memberships

- CPS General panel, Grade 4
- Serious Crime Group Specialist panel
- Fraud Specialist panel

Directory Quotes

- "Tim has huge breadth of experience and instils immediate confidence in teams facing difficult Issues. He is committed to winning" **Legal 500 2025**
- "It's devastating if you are against him and juries are drawn to and persuaded by him." **Chambers & Partners 2025**
- "His trial advocacy is a forte and his USP is his dry wit." **Chambers & Partners 2025**
- "Timothy gives precise and clear advice in complex cases." **Chambers & Partners 2025**
- "A fearsome fighter who focuses on the important points and speaks realistically to clients about what can and cannot be done." **Chambers & Partners 2022**
- "A very robust advocate" who has "sound judgement." **Chambers & Partners 2021**
- "A fantastic jury advocate who is very good at managing difficult case teams." **Chambers & Partners 2020**
- "He has a commanding presence and is completely on top of the material in complex cases." **Chambers & Partners 2020**
- "He also has a lovely sense of humour which he uses to great effect whilst retaining the gravity of proceedings." **Chambers & Partners 2020**