

3PB Barrister Profile



Louis Weston

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Sports law

Louis Weston is ranked as a leading junior by Chambers and Partners Directory 2012: 'Louis Weston of 3PB Barristers is fast forging a name for himself in horse racing cases. Sources confess to being impressed by his "truly disarming manner. He has charm coupled with real intellectual rigour." A man with considerable experience, he frequently appears both before and on behalf of the BHA.'



Louis is recommended as a Leading Junior by the [Legal 500 Directory 2011](#), where he is described as "The *?talented and tenacious?* Louis Weston at 3PB."

Louis is an experienced advocate with established experience, interest and enthusiasm for Sports Law.

Since 2003 he has been instructed both to defend and to prosecute cases before the Disciplinary Panel and Appeal Board of the British Horseracing Authority (formerly the Jockey Club) and in High Court proceedings, reviewing the decisions of the Panel and Board. He prosecutes for the Greyhound Board of Great Britain.

He is well able to absorb, understand and present complicated cases of breach of Sports Law regulations.

He has acted for trainers, jockeys and the BHA and the Greyhound Board of Great Britain in cases of corruption, race fixing, riding offences and non-compliance with instructions presenting and defending cases involving analysis of video records of races and race reading.

He has advised and acted in commercial cases arising from sports cases involving contaminated sports supplements, horse sales and injuries in sport.

He has acted for the defence and prosecution in criminal proceedings arising from race fixing/insider dealing and violence amongst players.

He has a particular interest in gambling law and has lectured on the Gambling Act 2005.

He is able to draw on his depth of experience as a criminal advocate (when practising in crime he was CPS Grade IV advocate) and in his regulatory practice in prosecuting for the GMC and the HAC.

He was the junior for the BHA in the successful defence against a challenge in the High Court brought by Dean McKeown. The case is reported as McKeown v BHA [2010] EWHC 508 (Admin).

BHA Prosecution

Its a Mans World - allegations of an insider information conspiracy involving a substantial number of jockeys, owners and bettors.

Hits Only Money - insider information conspiracy allegations against Dean McKeown, Paul Blockley and others leading to the case of McKeown v BHA [2010] EWHC 508 (Admin).

Golden Surprise - insider information conspiracy allegations against an Italian owner and trainer.

Aleemdar and Mia's Boy - running and riding offences.

BHA Defending

Sir Mark Prescott and Seb Sanders - Successful appeal on running and riding allegations

Ralph Beckett - Successful Appeal on penalty for breach of substance regulations

Milton Harris - Licence Application

Red Lancer - Pat McCabe - insider dealing allegations

Dean Williams - insider-dealing allegations

Evan Williams - trainer not complying with instructions

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Greyhound Board of Great Britain

Cronin - Successful prosecution of welfare prosecution under the GBGB rules for greyhound and its puppies.

Mason - Successful prosecution in a case of greyhound doping with cocaine.

Houfton - Successful prosecution of a greyhound trainer for three cases of welfare issues concerning running of greyhounds with excess feed.

Further information about specific cases can be provided by Louis' clerk.

Professional Qualifications and Appointments

- Member of ARDL
- Recorder