

JOHN OJAKOVOH

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John Ojakovoh is an established specialist in white-collar, cyber, and organised crime. Prosecuting and defending, John often acts as Leading Counsel or is led by Queen's Counsel. John is commended for his leadership, strategic sense, and quality of preparation, which it has been said make him a highly effective advocate. John has been described as a "go-to person for fraud and cybercrime".

John is a Grade 4 (the highest grade) on the CPS General, Specialist Fraud and Serious Crime Panels, and has also been appointed to the Serious Fraud Office Prosecution Panel of Counsel, as well as prosecuting for agencies such as the Insolvency Service and HMRC.

A particular specialism of John's is prosecuting and defending charges arising from companies finding themselves in financial difficulty and from related commercial disputes or civil action and the interface between criminal law and company law. John also undertakes private instructions to represent companies, company directors, shareholders, and consortiums, whether defending or pursuing private prosecutions.

Whether prosecuting or defending, John brings a keen understanding of the world of corporate and white-collar defendants from his previous city career in strategy consulting, and expertise in finance, accounting, and IT, which enable him to master complex financial, technical, and voluminous evidence quickly.

John's practice also includes advisory work, for example advising on difficult areas of disclosure and sensitive material and at an early stage in complex fraud cases, whether instructed by the prosecution or by the defence.