

FOREGATE  **CHAMBERS**
(Barrister Clerking)

ANN CRIGHTON

Ann was called to the Bar in **2015** and is a Member of Middle Temple Higher Rights Advocate since 2000

Specialisations :

- Crime
- Road Traffic

Qualifications :

Barrister, Solicitor, Higher Rights Advocate

Profile :

Having been a lawyer with the CPS for twenty years, and one of the first CPS Crown Advocates, Ann has dealt with a wide range of cases including dishonesty, violence, racially aggravated offences, public order and sexual offences. This work involved case review, charging decisions and advocacy. It required frequently being instructed at short notice and assimilating information under pressure. In preliminary hearings, this would regularly entail preparing twenty or more cases (including overnights) without notice and assessing the progress and next steps in each. During that time, Ann was also the CPS First Division Union representative and was elected as National Convenor – the highest possible Union position. Through this work she gained considerable employment law experience leading to my appointment as a member of the Employment Tribunal in 2010. After leaving the CPS Ann took a sabbatical to spend more time with her family, but missed the cut and thrust of advocacy and therefore switched profession to become a barrister and specialise in advocacy. With considerable experience of criminal law, Ann now specialises in criminal advocacy for both prosecution and defence, in particular motoring law.

Ann is accredited under the **Public Access Scheme** to accept direct instructions.

Memberships :

Middle Temple, West London Law Society, Criminal Bar Association, Association of Women Barristers, Association of Women Solicitors

