

1 High Pavement

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Why 1 High Pavement Chambers chose LexisLibrary for the most up-to-date legislation, cases and commentary on Crime

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Specialising in criminal law, 1 High Pavement Chambers has been at the forefront of prosecution and defence advocacy for over thirty years – not only in Nottingham and the East Midlands circuit, but across the UK.

Their barristers defend and prosecute in many high-profile cases, from murder and manslaughter to complex fraud and modern slavery. When they need access to the most accurate, up-to-date UK black letter law, they turn to LexisLibrary.

Everything you need

Barrister James Varley defends and prosecutes cases of all types, including allegations of serious violence, drugs, fraud, rape and sexual assault. Known for his sensitivity in dealing with the most delicate issues, he's regularly instructed to deal with so-called 'honour crimes'.

“ From a Criminal Law perspective, LexisLibrary has everything you need. On my bookshelf, I've got *Banks on Sentence*, *Blackstone's Criminal Practice*, *Butterworths Road Traffic Service and Smith, Owen and Bodnar on Asset Recovery*, *Criminal Confiscation and Civil Recovery*.

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Saving time with powerful search

While James knows there are other Library tools on the market, they simply can't compete with LexisLibrary when it comes to searching for cases.

“ I bring my computer - into court, so that I can quickly look up cases on LexisLibrary.

The focused search helps make finding the exact legislation and all related cases fast and effortless. James can easily search the UK's largest legal database, including All England Law Reports and the full suite of ICLR Reports (exclusive to LexisNexis) from Chambers, in court or on the move.

Instant access to historic laws and cases

A significant amount of James' legal work is on sexual offences, many of which are alleged to have happened decades ago – long before the introduction of the Sexual Offences Act 2003. As he explains:

“ A lot of the work that I do is historic – the maximum sentences change at different points of time. It's really complicated and people get it wrong all the time. That's when having a timeline is really useful.

LexisLibrary's timeline tool makes it easy to ascertain precisely what the situation was at any given point in time, with no room for error.

Easy to browse

James likes to flick through books on LexisLibrary as he would with a paper copy.

“ Quite often, it's that thing you flick past that catches your eye. That's what I like about *Banks on Sentence*. It's not a flashy app full of pointless features. You can browse it as you would a book, but it's obviously much more up to date than the hardcopy. It's a fantastic resource and we use it all the time.

Always accurate

As a self-confessed bibliophile, James loves nothing more than holding a physical copy of a book. Yet, despite his love of the bound book, James values LexisLibrary as a source of the most up-to-date materials. From crime to family law, the content evolves and updates as the law changes.

Judgments are published within 48 hours, and summaries are released within days – or for Supreme Court judgments, the same day.

“ I trust what's on LexisLibrary, and it seems to update quickly. It's never occurred to me that something might be out of date or inaccurate. Coming from LexisNexis, you just know that it's right.