

BBC-FEATURED SOLICITOR LAUNCHES GOODWIN & ROSE

New firm delivers modern representation and advocacy for evolving client needs

Criminal defence solicitor Cecilia Goodwin, known for her appearance in the BBC documentary [Defending Digga D](#), has launched [Goodwin & Rose Solicitors](#), with offices in Manchester and London.

Goodwin & Rose provides services in **criminal defence** and **immigration law**, specialising in high-profile and complex cases, as well as **recall on licence** matters.

Advocating a client-first approach through customised legal solutions and reputational management the team ensure that sensitive cases are handled discreetly to protect both legal outcomes and public profiles.

Approach to legal practice

With a focus on serving professionals and individuals in creative industries – including music, film, and fashion – the firm’s ethos centres on equipping clients to navigate their legal challenges through accessible, inclusive, and bespoke approaches.

Goodwin & Rose achieves this by working to understand each client’s true needs so it might deliver a tailored response which aligns with their specific circumstances, reflecting a commitment to progressive, client-focused advocacy.

“We are committed to understanding our clients’ needs and providing legal solutions designed for their unique situations,” says Cecilia Goodwin, founder of Goodwin & Rose.

Pioneering creative justice

The firm actively champions legal reform with Goodwin a director of [Art Not Evidence](#), a UK based campaign group challenging the prejudicial use of creative expression in criminal trials.

Explains Goodwin: “Experience has shown that in numerous cases before the courts in England and Wales the use of rap lyrics during the proceedings has no direct connection to the case and instead the evidence is used to introduce and support the stereotypes and gang narratives to secure conviction, thereby leading to potential miscarriages of justice. This needs addressing to ensure fair trials and outcomes.”

Background on the founder

Goodwin is a highly experienced solicitor with a demonstrated history of defending individuals in complex criminal matters. Her expertise includes handling fraud cases, coercive control allegations, and other sensitive legal challenges.

Throughout her career, Goodwin has built a reputation for excellence and commitment to her clients, delivering strategic legal advice tailored to each unique situation. Her work reflects a deep understanding of the law, combined with an empathetic approach to client care.

Practice areas

Goodwin & Rose's areas of expertise cover:

- Criminal Defence
 - Such as fraud, assault, driving, public order, and drugs-related offences.
 - Specialists in parole and licence recall cases, including assistance for individuals who have been recalled back to on licence.
- Immigration Law
 - Specialists in visa applications, asylum cases, deportation appeals, and indefinite leave to remain applications.
 - Appeals before the Immigration and asylum tribunals in respect of appeals against refusal of asylum and appeals against deportation.

Community initiatives

Goodwin & Rose is developing community-focused initiatives, including the '**Know Your Rights**' campaign aimed at improving public understanding of legal systems. The firm also collaborates with charities to support legal reform efforts.

Office locations

Goodwin & Rose has offices in Manchester's Piccadilly House and London's City Road, serving clients across the UK.

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