

A brief that thinks. And it never leaves your hands.

The Matter File is a private case workspace for CrimeLine Ask: the papers, the issues, the offence date and every answer, held in a single encrypted file on your computer. Open it, work, save it back. CrimeLine's servers never store it — not overnight, not encrypted, not at all.

1 Open a matter, pin the offence date

Name the case, set the date of the alleged offence, paste in the key papers — the defence statement, the interview note, the ruling. Add the issues as you see them.

2 Ask, with the whole case in the room

Every question carries the papers and answers as at the offence date, automatically. Ask about an issue and the answer weighs your documents against the library and the statute book, citing both.

3 Save it as a file, encrypted

One click writes the whole matter — papers, issues, research — to a single file, encrypted in your browser with a passphrase only you know (AES-256). It goes where your USB stick, laptop or DMS goes.

4 Reopen anywhere. Check for new law

Chambers, home, the robing room: open the file and the case comes back, conversation and all. One click re-runs every issue against the library and flags any authority that has arrived since you last looked.

R v D — s.18 GBH

Law as at 12/03/2015 (offence date)

ISSUES IN THIS MATTER

Admissibility of the ABE interview

New law on this issue: [BT \[2017\] EWCA Crim 133](#) • [Re E \[2016\] EWCA Civ 473](#)

Identification — Turnbull direction

PAPERS IN THIS MATTER

Defence statement • ABE interview note • Ruling of HHJ K

Saved (encrypted): 3 exchanges, 2 issues, 3 papers.

Why this is different

The major legal AI platforms hold your matters in their cloud: that is their architecture. A CrimeLine matter file lives on your computer. Papers are sent to the server only for the seconds each question takes to answer — exactly like an attached document — and the daily-law check works from fingerprints carried inside your file, so there is nothing about your case for CrimeLine to store, lose, or be asked for. Client confidentiality is not a policy promise here; it is how the thing is built.

Open your first matter today.

The Matter file tab, inside CrimeLine Ask. Subscribers: log in and begin.

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