

Awards

BCLP SHORTLISTED IN TWO CATEGORIES AT THE LEGAL INNOVATION AWARDS 2024

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BCLP has been shortlisted for awards in two separate categories at this year's Legal Innovation Awards, one being for *Outstanding Collaboration* whilst the other is for *Future of Legal Services Innovation – Large Private Practice*.

Outstanding Collaboration

The firm is being recognised for the development and implementation of a generative AI (GenAI) lease reporting tool together with proptech innovator [Orbital Witness](#). The collaboration involved BCLP lawyers working closely with legal engineers, data scientists and software engineers from [Orbital Witness](#) to pilot [Orbital Copilot](#) and develop a GenAI-generated lease report in BCLP's house style. BCLP's lawyers found that the time spent on manual diligence processes were significantly reduced, allowing for more in-depth analysis. This project was led by Brian Kennedy, Senior Practice Innovation Manager (Real Estate), sponsored by Real Estate Department Chief Operating Officer (COO) Zahra Bardai and UK Real Estate Practice Group Lead Samant Narula, with notable support from Lead Knowledge Counsel Victoria Duxbury, Senior Knowledge Lawyer Harriet Raff and a large team of lawyers.

Future of Legal Services Innovation – Large Private Practice

BCLP has been shortlisted for the 2023 edition of the Annual Arbitration Survey, covering [AI in IA: The Rise of Machine Learning](#). For over ten years, BCLP's International Arbitration team has conducted surveys on issues affecting the arbitral process and for 2023, the team sought to generate a discussion – leveraging tangible data – on the responsible use of AI in International Arbitration. As such, the survey canvassed views on a range of issues including: the perceived benefits and the perceived risks of using AI tools; the need for disclosure of the use of AI tools; the impact of AI tools on the integrity of evidence; and whether there is a need for regulation. It also garnered significant insights as to whether respondents used AI tools to carry out tasks in arbitration, what tasks they may use AI tools for in the future; and where they would draw the line on the use of AI tools to perform tasks in arbitration. The project was led by Global Co-leader of International Arbitration George Burn, partner Claire Morel de Westgaver and Knowledge Management Lawyer Victoria Clark in conjunction with Senior Associate Siobhan Abraham.

About the Legal Innovation Awards

The Legal Innovation Awards are hosted by ALM Law.com International and they recognise visionary thinkers, pioneers, and game-changers who are reshaping the legal industry. The awards, now in their 10th year, celebrate the crucial role played by lawyers in promoting innovation, in tandem with colleagues in other disciplines such as marketing, business development, finance, IT, project management, operations, PR and recruitment.

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