

## News

# BCLP SHORTLISTED IN 'THE LAWYER' AWARDS 2023

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The firm has been shortlisted in three categories for *The Lawyer* Awards 2023: Litigation Team of the Year, Real Estate Team of the Year, and Pro Bono Initiative of the Year.

The BCLP litigation team recognized secured a major win for clients Royal Mail and BT in their follow-on cartel damages actions against truck manufacturer group DAF. The landmark case is now the leading cartel damages judgment in the UK and will be influential across Europe. The BCLP team included Edward Coulson, Ben Blacklock, Andrew Hockley, Andrew Leitch, Alexandra Hildyard, Graeme Thomas, Sam Brown, India Fahy, Tom Wright, Marieke Datema, Dan Swinburn, Jason Alvares, George Christodoulides and Natasha Warby.

BCLP's London Real Estate team was recognized for advising AXA Real Estate Investment Managers ("AXA IM") on the acquisition and development of 50 Fenchurch Street, London. The site was acquired from The Clothworkers' Company for an office development with an expected Gross Development Value in the region of £1.3billion. As part of the development, AXA IM will also deliver a new livery hall, offices and accommodation for The Clothworkers' Company. The BCLP team was led by Global Head of Real Estate Chris de Pury and Real Estate Partners Ian Waring and Mateen Khan.

The team also included Eleanor Willatts, Ruth Scott, Lauren Hunnisett, Victoria Kearsay, Nadra Ali-Elmi, Tim Hellier, Sam Burstall, Gareth Stringer, Kim Roberts, Freya Scott, Elizabeth Bradley, Alan Sinyor, Andy West, Paul Williams, Nico Yazdi, Victoria Blanchard, Perry Swanson, Kieran Saunders, Adam Bogdanor, Inma Munarriz, Cameron Price, Gordon McMillan, and Sam Burke.

The pro bono initiative of the year highlighted the collaborative pro bono Windrush Compensation Scheme Initiative aimed at achieving justice for clients of GMIAU by securing the compensation to which they are all entitled and remedying some of the harm suffered. The Initiative also engages psychologists and forensic accountants (working pro bono) who prepare additional evidence about the clients' mental health and projected financial situation had they not experienced such treatment. BCLP is currently acting for six GMIAU clients, helping them to apply for compensation; this work includes evidence gathering, drafting witness statements and working with family members to obtain information to support each claim. The firm has a team of partners and associates working on the cases. Jamie Wiseman-Clarke is the lead partner on the project.

“For the past couple of decades, the Lawyer Awards have been the ultimate stage for legal mastery in the UK, honoring top-notch lawyers and powerhouse firms across diverse areas,” states the publication. “Winners are carefully chosen by an esteemed judging panel from The Bar, Private Practice, and In-house sectors, ensuring objectivity and extensive expertise. Judges meticulously score each entry, crafting a shortlist of the finest in each category and ultimately crowning the champions.”

Winners will be announced June 20 at the Lawyer Awards in London.

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