

THE LAWYER Awards

IN-HOUSE COMMERCE & INDUSTRY TEAM OF THE YEAR

CATEGORY GUIDELINES

This category is open to in-house teams from any commercial organisation, whose work focuses primarily on the UK.

To enter you must complete the entry form on the online entry portal.

Don't forget, you can log-in and out of the entry portal as many times as you like prior to submitting.

WHAT WILL THE JUDGES BE LOOKING FOR IN THIS CATEGORY?

The entry form covers the following areas:

- **Background – your company and your team (750 words)**
 - Our judges will be looking for not only how your company is positioned within its sector, and any unique challenges this poses, but also how your team operates within your business. We want to understand how the outstanding individuals in your team made an impact over the last 18 months, so please be as detailed as possible when outlining the team's structure and roles.
- **Your team's story in 2023 (750 words)**
 - Judges will be looking for examples of why your team has had a stellar year – think about any specific challenges you faced, and how you overcame them. Don't forget to make clear how the legal function contributes to and underpins the business's strategy
- **Additional materials**
 - You should use this section to upload any testimonials that add weight to your entry, and any charts or other visual aids that illustrate your work.

There is a confidential information section on the form: We fully appreciate that some of the information you include in your entry may be sensitive. We want to encourage you to submit as

much detail as possible, including financial performance, therefore please include in this section any sensitive information that should be treated for judges' eyes only.

Previous winners:

2023 Octopus Energy

2022 Asda

2021 EasyJet

2020 Chelsea Football Club

2019 Post Office / Tarmac

2018 Cadent

Entries are welcome from:

In-house teams

Nominations by private practice firms

General points to remember:

- The more detail you provide, the more likely your entry is to be highly ranked by our independent judges
- Client testimonials add extra weight to your entry – please provide them during the online entry process
- Please ensure you indicate **clearly on your entry where information is confidential**; the content of entries is for judges' eyes only, however details given in your submission may be used in the shortlist announcement and the post-event editorial coverage when not marked otherwise
- Entries covering work outside of the dates given (January 2023 – present day) will not be considered