

## **AWARD CATEGORIES AND CRITERIA**

### **Lifetime Achievement Award**

The Nominee must be a legal professional with no less than 10 years PQE (or equivalent experience) and will have made an outstanding contribution and lasting impact in their chosen field.

The nomination form must show why the Nominee deserves to be recognised including any professional achievements (i.e. notable cases), any industry awards, publications and any relevant extra-curricular activities (i.e pro-bono work).

The nomination form must demonstrate qualities such as the Nominee's pioneering business flair, values and ethical standards they uphold, why the Nominee is an inspiration and how they have made a long-lasting impact on the legal community.

### **100 Years of Women in Law Award**

This award celebrates a female legal professional\* who has achieved excellence in their chosen field.

The nomination form must show why the Nominee deserves to be recognised for this award including any professional achievements (i.e. notable cases), any industry awards, publications and any relevant extra-curricular activities (i.e pro-bono work).

The Nominee should be a leader who demonstrates their commitment to promoting, developing and supporting the progression of women in law from BAME communities. The Nominee will champion other women and help develop the next generation by inspiring and empowering others to pursue a career in law.

\*Open to solicitors who identify as a woman.

### **Criminal Lawyer Award**

The Nominee must be a legal professional with no less than 3 years PQE (or equivalent experience) in Criminal Law.

The Nominee must have excelled in their role and the nomination form must show why the Nominee deserves to be recognised for this award including any professional achievements (i.e. notable cases), any industry awards, publications and any relevant extra-curricular activities (i.e pro-bono work).

The nomination form should also illustrate how the Nominee is developing a reputation in the field of Criminal Law and how they stand out from their peers.

## **Company & Commercial Lawyer Award**

The Nominee must be a legal professional with no less than 3 years PQE (or equivalent experience) in the areas of Company Law, Commercial Law, Corporate Law, Construction Law and Intellectual Property.

The Nominee must have excelled in their role and the nomination form must show why the Nominee deserves to be recognised for this award including any professional achievements (i.e. notable cases), any industry awards, publications and any relevant extra-curricular activities (i.e pro-bono work).

The nomination form should also illustrate how the Nominee is developing a reputation in the field of areas of law noted above and how they stand out from their peers.

## **Civil Lawyer Award**

The Nominee must be a legal professional with no less than 3 years PQE (or equivalent experience) in the area of Civil Law (which includes but is not limited to: Family, Personal Injury, Employment, General Dispute Resolution and General Civil Litigation).

The Nominee must have excelled in their role and the nomination form must show why the Nominee deserves to be recognised for this award including any professional achievements (i.e. notable cases), any industry awards, publications and any relevant extra-curricular activities (i.e pro-bono work).

The nomination form should also illustrate how the Nominee is developing a reputation in the field of Civil Law and how they stand out from their peers.

## **Rising Star Award**

The Nominee must be legal professional with no more than 5 years PQE (or equivalent experience).

The nomination form must show why the Nominee deserves to be recognised for this award including any professional achievements (i.e. notable cases), any industry awards, publications and any relevant extra-curricular activities (i.e pro-bono work).

The Nominee must have excelled in their role or have made a significant contribution to their caseload.

The nomination form should also illustrate how the Nominee is developing a reputation as an up and coming legal professional in their chosen field and how they stand out from their peers.