



OPEN TO PRACTITIONERS ONLY

Contentious Practitioner of the Year

A sensitive and niche area of law, contentious work around the area of wills, probate and trusts is a small but developing specialism. Contentious practitioners are encouraged to enter this new for 2024 category where they can demonstrate an outstanding approach to technical and service excellence.

The winner will be a skilled litigator with a proven track record of success, either in the defence of, or contesting, disputes arising from wills, probate trusts and related private client matters.

Submissions should evidence a deep technical understanding of the law, an innovative approach to service (including but not limited to relationship and rapport building/ referrals/ pricing/ service delivery/ client journey) and evidence of client satisfaction.

Criteria

The winner of this award will:

- demonstrate technical skills, excellence and expertise specifically within contentious matters
- identify success in the defence of, or contesting, disputes arising from wills, probate trusts and related private client matters
- demonstrate the ability to deliver high standards of service and support to individual clients including but not limited to relationship and rapport building/ referrals/ pricing/ service delivery/ client journey
- Evidence how they work in the best interests of the client in regard to this area of litigation
- show a transparent and clear approach to pricing and to explaining costs and fees to clients

Where possible the submission should include at least one short case study undertaken from the last 12 months that demonstrates their approach to litigation of this type and any evidence of reviews/recognition/ testimonials/recommendations.