

# Collas Crill maintains strong rankings in Legal 500 UK 2025 Guide

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Collas Crill's Guernsey and Jersey teams have maintained a strong set of rankings in this year's Legal 500 UK directory.

The firm is consistently listed in Tier 1 or 2 across its key practice areas and has received a plethora of industry endorsements on the expertise, commerciality and customer-first approach of its teams.

Collas Crill has been highlighted as a 'firm to watch' for its regulatory and white-collar crime practice in Jersey. Legal 500 noted the appointment of James Sheedy as 'augmenting its compliance and licensing expertise with his focus on fraud, asset tracing and regulatory investigations'.

Senior Partner Jason Green has been promoted to Legal 500's coveted 'Hall of Fame' - he joins Christian Hay, Damian James, Paul Wilkes and Nuno Santos-Costa with this accolade, which showcases those 'at the pinnacle of the profession'.

The directory highlights Collas Crill's deep expertise in real estate, financial services and regulatory, private client work and dispute resolution. A number of firm's lawyers feature in Legal 500's individual categories including Leading Partner, Next Gen Partner, Leading Associate, as well as the mentioned Hall of Fame.

Group Managing Partner Jason Romer said: 'Aside from the actual rankings, I always take pride in reading what feedback our clients have given us as a firm, and our individual lawyers. This year was no exception.

'One of our core values is to be easy to do business with. When you read words like 'exemplary' and 'extremely collaborative' it's clear our focus on building trusted, long-term relationships with our clients translates to the service we ultimately provide.

'I would like to congratulate Jason Green on his inclusion in the Hall of Fame - this is very much deserved and very apt as he celebrates his 30th year with the firm.'

See below an overview of the firm's rankings and a selection of the testimonials received.

#### To view Collas Crill's full Guernsey rankings, click here. For the firm's Jersey rankings, click here.

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#### Commercial property - Tier 1 (Guernsey and Jersey)

'We find that overall service level at Collas Crill is first class. They display very strong knowledge of Jersey property law and are very responsive, producing quality works.'

'Excellent service. Response times are always appropriate to the situation and industry knowledge and commercial awareness are excellent.'

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- Jason Green Hall of Fame (new)
- Paul Nettleship Leading Partner
- Pamela Doherty Martin Le Boutillier Leading Partners

#### Dispute Resolution - Tier 2 (Guernsey and Jersey)

'Collas Crill has been exemplary in how a law firm should operate. They offer a higher quality service than others and are a pleasure to work with. Cannot speak highly enough of the team we worked with.'

'The DR team at Collas Crill is excellent technically at all levels and is highly personable. The team delivers well and is always willing to go above and beyond.'

'The team combines in-depth knowledge across a range of practice areas from insolvency to trusts, so that disputes don't get compartmentalised.'

'A fantastic offshore team with real expertise in trust litigation. They are handling one of the biggest trust disputes in the Channel Islands at the moment with skill, calm and efficiency.'

'Excellent dispute resolution team; strength and breadth of the department, led by first class partners.'

- Christian Hay, Damian James, Nuno Santos-Costa Hall of Fame
- Michael Adkins Leading Partner
- Ben Havard, James Tee Next Generation Partner
- Lynne Calder Leading Associate

## Banking and Finance - Tier 2 (Guernsey) and Tier 2 (Jersey)

'Collas Crill is a safe pair of hands dealing with the offshore elements of my transactions. They know we are all reliant on our customer service to run an effective law firm and are responsive, helpful and proactively seek out solutions to ensure everything runs smoothly.'

'Collas Crill provides a very professional and efficient service, minus all of the jargon which is sometimes found in other firms. They are quick to identify the key issues in complex matters, highlighting the potential issues before they become an issue.'

'The team has proven itself to be experts in its field, with an extensive knowledge and experience in the area of banking and Islamic finance.'

'A very knowledgeable and capable team which gives practical, commercial advice. They understand our business and can cut to the chase.'

'The team is focused on building relationships with their clients, which helps to build a clear understanding of our aims and ambitions.'

• Ben Le Page, Alexander Price - Leading Associate

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• Simon Heggs - Next Generation Partner

## Capital Markets - Tier 2 (Guernsey)

'They offer a great client-friendly service and a wide breadth of expertise. They are always willing to jump in and do whatever is required - in that sense, they are extremely collaborative. They are at the forefront of advising on regulatory changes that are relevant to our clients.'

'Very approachable, friendly, cohesive team.'

• Simon Heggs - Next Generation Partner

#### Corporate and M&A - Tier 2 (Guernsey)

'No matter the deadline, they always have someone available within the team to assist. The team liaises with UK lawyers to jump in on behalf of the client/target to give a better understanding of Guernsey and Jersey structures and responsibilities that fall between the company directors and shareholders.'

'Excellent team with strength and breadth led by first-class partners.'

'A really trustworthy team, our go-to for any general corporate or funds advice.'

• Simon Heggs - Next Generation Partner

## Private Client, Trusts & Tax- Tier 2 (Guernsey) and Tier 2 (Jersey)

'Extremely thoughtful, considered approach, very much with client objectives at the forefront. Very collaborative.'

'Collas Crill is a full-service team for private clients in terms of wealth structuring, advisory and disputes. The team is very agile and responsive. They provided us clear and practical advice.'

'The Collas Crill private client team offers a bespoke service tailored to the individual client.'

'Commercial, responsive, practical and technical whilst also being amenable and enjoyable to work with.'

'Fantastic network of international lawyers across diverse jurisdictions and practice areas.'

• Angela Calnan- Leading Partner

#### Corporate and Commercial - Tier 3 (Jersey)

'Personal service and attention, quality and experience of the partner and their commitment to complete in the minimum of time. Quality of proactive guidance through all aspects of the transaction.'

'Great partner engagement.'

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## Investment Funds - Tier 3 (Guernsey) Tier 2 (Jersey)

'Friendly and engaging team that is collaborative and solution-oriented.'

All friendly and easy to get on with, providing clear, concise advice. Easily contactable and if away, another team member is available to pick up to ensure continuity of service.'

- Paul Wilkes Hall of Fame
- Sam Sturrock, Gareth Morgan, Wayne Atkinson Next Generation Partner

## Regulatory and white-collar crime - Firm to watch (Jersey)

Collas Crill placed an increased emphasis on regulatory advice following a restructure in 2023, with Nuno Santos-Costa's team adding James Sheedy in January 2024, augmenting its compliance and licensing expertise with his focus on fraud, asset tracing and regulatory investigations.

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