

# Top tier Ogier in Jersey leader in its field in Legal 500

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Ogier in Jersey has retained its top-tier rankings in the new Legal 500 2023 guide across its Banking and Finance, Capital Markets, Commercial Property, Corporate, Dispute Resolution, Employment, Investment Funds and Private Wealth service lines with 34 individuals recommended.

Praised for their "excellent service time and again" and "relied upon to provide sensible, pragmatic solutions to issues when they arise and to deliver on time", Ogier's Banking and Finance team continues to provide market-leading services. Global head of Banking and Finance Katrina Edge, described by a client as their "go to person in relation to all things Jersey related" and partner Bruce MacNeil are ranked as leading individuals, while group partner James Lydeard and partner Kate McCaffrey are ranked as next generation partners.

Capital Markets has also retained its top tier ranking, described as "true experts in the art of the cash box placing...our 'go to' firm", with partners Raulin Amy and Bruce MacNeil ranked as leading individuals, and partner Alexander Curry ranked as a next generation partner. Alexander Curry and Raulin Amy are described in client feedback as "familiar and friendly faces, who are able to promptly and effectively provide offshore advice on tight timeframes."

The Commercial Property team, "probably the strongest commercial property team on the island", has "an excellent team ethos where clients are well looked after by the team so no key person dependence." Global head of Local Legal Services Jonathan Hughes and partner Katharine Marshall are leading individuals, and managing associate Sarah Parish is a rising star. Chris Renouf, Michael Clapham and Laura Shirreffs are identified as key lawyers.

Ogier's Corporate team is described by clients as "innovative, commercial, client friendly". Partner Raulin Amy retains his hall of fame ranking, while partners Simon Dinning and Matthew Shaxson are ranked as leading individuals. "Practical and commercial" partner Alexander Curry, partner Richard Daggett, praised for his "great depth of experience", and partner Oliver Richardson are all next generation partners, while managing associate Amy Garrod, praised for her depth of

experience and as being "*very responsive and easy to work with*", is ranked as a rising star. **James Fox** has been identified as a key lawyer.

The Dispute Resolution team is praised for its "strength in depth and clear practical advice" and is described as a "hard working, quick thinking disputes team". Global managing partner Edward Mackereth is ranked in the hall of fame, while partner and team lead Nick Williams who "inspires confidence and provides sound, solutions-based advice" and partner Damian Evans are leading individuals. "Absolutely excellent" partner Oliver Passmore and partner James Angus, praised for his "fantastic grasp of both the details of the case and at the same time maintained a good overview" are both next generation partners. Counsel Rebecca McNulty is ranked as a rising star, while Ralph Spencer-Tucker and Matthew Davies are also recommended, with Ralph praised by one client for being a "good communicator, diligent, responsive" and Matthew praised by a client for his "strong commitment to the case" and his "excellent knowledge of the facts and documentation, as well as the legal issues."

The Employment team is "first rate", "very responsive, commercial in its approach and will handle all aspects of any particular employment issue". Team lead and director of Local Legal Services **Helen Ruelle** is ranked in the hall of fame while senior associate **Will Austin-Vautier** is a rising star.

The Investment Funds team is "a pleasure to deal with - knowledgeable, responsive, clear." Group partner Emily Haithwaite, who "looks after the relationship and is very user-friendly" is ranked in the hall of fame, and team lead and partner Niamh Lalor, who is praised for her "clear timely advice" is a leading individual. "Very helpful and knowledgeable" partner Sophie Reguengo is a next generation partner, while managing associate Alexandra O'Grady, praised for her knowledge about her field and new developments, is a rising star.

The Private Wealth team "go the extra mile, considering all options and assisting with even the smallest of queries". Steve Meiklejohn retains his hall of fame ranking, while partner James Campbell, described in client feedback as "a good leader, nurtures the practice and is commercial and explains issues to clients in a clear and helpful manner" is a leading individual. Partner Josephine Howe, praised for being "very thorough, extremely well organised and great at explaining things to clients" and Katherine Neal, head of Employee Incentives, Private Wealth Jersey who "has the unique ability to offer not just legal but wholly practical solutions to the most difficult of problems", are both ranked as next generation partners. Managing associate Richard Laignel is a key lawyer and praised for being "very hard working and super responsive. A pleasure to work with."

Jersey practice partner Raulin Amy said: "We're delighted to see another strong set of results for our Jersey team and it's particularly pleasing to see references in client feedback to our work in diversity, and our innovative tech solutions for clients. This is a real achievement for all the members of our Jersey team, and I'd like to thank everyone for their hard work in making this

happen."

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