



Role description

Private Client Associate
(Contentious Trusts)

London

The opportunity for you

Executive summary

The associate will work principally with partners and associates within the Contentious Trusts & Estates team based within the Private Client department.

Key responsibilities

They will advise and work on a range of contentious trust and estate matters to include :

- Litigation related to wills and inheritance disputes to include all manner of probate dispute relating to the validity of a will and the administration of an estate and challenge to lifetime disposals (both domestic and international estates)
- Litigation related to trusts to include all manner of dispute related to the formation and administration of a trust and to include any disputes relating to the exercise or non-exercise of powers by the powerholders (domestic and international)
- Variation of trust applications Beddoes and Blessing applications (domestic and international)
- Mediation to resolve disputes
- Risk management in trust administration
- Cross-border estate planning conflicts
- Arbitration proceedings in relation to trust structures
- All manner of Court of Protection matters – Deputies, Attorneys, DOLs, Statutory Wills

Job title

Private Client Associate
(Contentious Trusts)

Recruiting manager

Damian Bloom and Emma Jordan

Department

Private Client

Working hours

Monday to Friday (09:30 – 17:30)

Working at least 3 days a week from our offices.

Location

London

Perm/FTC

Permanent

Salary

Competitive

Working pattern

Taylor Wessing supports agile working, and the Talent Acquisition team would happily have conversations with potential candidates about how we could support agile or flexible working needs.

The opportunity for you

Knowledge, skill & experience

- Candidates need to be able to coordinate workloads in close liaison with the other fee earners in the team. They must demonstrate strong organisational skills, attention to detail, good time management, an energetic and proactive approach and confidence in their ability to communicate with all levels of staff. They should also have good client handling skills and be able to quickly establish client relationships over the telephone.
- Previous Contentious Trust and Estate experience would be required preferably in a firm with a similar practice or for the NQ position a seat in a contentious team with experience of trust and estate litigation.

Meet the team



Damian Bloom

Partner

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Damian is the Head of UK Private Client and specialises in UK and international tax and estate planning. He has a particular focus on entrepreneurial clients and long term planning for UK and non-UK domiciled individuals.

He also advises trustees, individuals, families and their family offices on the UK taxation of investments, as well as all aspects of UK personal taxation, with an emphasis on advising entrepreneurial clients. Many of Damian's clients are families and family offices, who he advises on tax and trust issues, and also on longer term succession planning across multiple generations.

Damian also advises trustees and wealth management clients on tax and trust aspects of investment planning, including on account structuring, jurisdictional issues and other aspects of wealth management. Damian also advises on UK and international property structuring and taxation issues.



Emma Jordan

Partner

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Emma leads our contentious trusts team in the UK. She's described by clients as a commercially astute advisor with a formidable reputation for trust litigation work. She's advised on landmark cases including the first ever action involving an insolvent trust. Emma's mandates often involve a crossborder or international element.

Emma is dual qualified as an English Barrister and a Jersey Advocate, allowing her to represent clients in the Jersey Courts directly.

She advises across aspects of contentious trusts work, and has a particular focus on representing trustees and high net worth clients.

Her practice covers civil fraud work, asset-tracing and recovery within the context of offshore trusts and structures. She also helps clients with alternative dispute resolution strategies including mediation.

About us

Taylor Wessing is a global law firm that serves the world's most innovative people and businesses.

Deeply embedded within our sectors, we work closely together with our clients to crack complex problems, enabling ideas and aspirations to thrive. Together we challenge expectation and create extraordinary results. By shaping the conversation in our sectors, we enable our clients to unlock growth, protect innovation and accelerate ambition.

Our UK sector focus



Technology, Media
& Communications



Private Wealth



Real Estate,
Infrastructure & Energy



Life Sciences
& Healthcare

Our areas of expertise

- Banking & Finance
- Brands & Advertising
- Commercial & Consumer Contracts
- Competition, EU & Trade
- Copyright & Media Law
- Corporate Crime & Compliance
- Corporate/M&A & Capital Markets
- Data Protection & Cyber
- Disputes & Investigations
- Employment, Pensions & Mobility
- Environmental, Planning & Regulatory
- Financial Services Regulation
- Information Technology
- Patents & Innovation
- Private Client
- Private Equity
- Projects, Energy & Infrastructure
- Real Estate & Construction
- Restructuring & Insolvency
- Tax
- Venture Capital

Challenge expectation, together

With our team based across Europe, the Middle East, US and Asia, we work with clients wherever they want to do business. We blend the best of local commercial, industry and cultural knowledge with international experience to provide proactive, integrated solutions across the full range of service areas.

1000+ lawyers | **300+** partners | **29** offices | **17** jurisdictions

About us

The way we work

At Taylor Wessing, we never settle for average. We're creative thinkers, problem solvers and continuous learners who excel at what we do and believe our best work is still ahead of us. We are a firm that's large enough for you to achieve your ambitions, but connected enough to be a true community.

You are joining an inclusive culture that allows you to be yourself and balance your work and home commitments. You'll gain access to high-end technology, agile processes and the trust to deliver your best work in a flexible way whilst spending the balance of your time with colleagues in our offices.

Employee development and career progression

We are committed to fostering an environment of continuous professional growth. Our dedicated approach to employee development ensures that each member of the firm receives the support and resources necessary to achieve their career aspirations. In line with this commitment, we have tailored development plans that align with both individual goals and our firm's strategic vision.

For a detailed look at these development opportunities and how they can support your career progression, please refer to our [Always Learning Brochure](#). This document will provide an in-depth view of our commitment to skill development and show you the support network available as you advance within Taylor Wessing.

About us

Investing in you | Tailored benefits

Your wellbeing is always our priority and we are proud to offer bold and progressive ways of working alongside an excellent range of benefits and perks designed to support you and your family.

Key benefits

- 25 days' annual leave
- Life assurance
- Group personal pension – salary sacrifice
- Income protection
- In-house GP service

Health and wellness benefits

- Private medical insurance (individual)
- Health assessments
- Dental insurance
- Critical illness insurance
- Flu vaccinations
- Eye tests
- Employee assistance programme
- GymFlex
- Counselling sessions

Lifestyle benefits

- Cloud Nine – our subsidised restaurant and coffee bar (London only)
- Enhanced family leave – after one year qualifying service, you are entitled to up to 26 weeks leave full pay if you or your partner give birth or adopt a child
- Cycle to work scheme
- Payroll giving
- Technology loan
- Health cash plan
- National Art Pass
- Mortgage surpluses
- Interest free season ticket loan
- Salary sacrifice electric car scheme (UK staff only)

Our values

What we stand for

We are a community of independent thinkers, connected by our values and our drive to challenge expectation. Our values shape what we do and how we do it. We have built a team that reflects the firm's core values and which exemplifies inclusivity. To learn more, [click here](#).

Excellence

Creative

Responsible

Team

Integrity

Respect

Acting responsibly, together

We're committed to being a responsible business and taking accountability for our actions.

We have high ethical standards and take care of our people. We're reducing the footprint we leave in nature and engaging with our communities through cultural and charity work. Being a responsible business means we're active members of our broader society, of the legal community, and of our clients' sectors.

Whether it's building an inclusive workplace, reducing our waste or supporting the arts; we're actively working together to build a better business, and a more sustainable world.

Find out more about our responsible business initiatives [online](#).

Read our latest impact report by clicking the link below.



Our Responsible Business Impact Report 2023

Diversity & Inclusion

Mansfield Certification



Taylor Wessing UK is proud to have achieved Mansfield Rule UK certification for a second year running and has committed to participating for a third year!

We're committed to delivering an inclusive culture and a progressive environment where we empower all our people to lead, learn and grow. The Mansfield Rule keeps us and the wider legal profession accountable for achieving and surpassing these goals; over the last year alone the Mansfield Rule has helped us continue to focus on monitoring our recruitment and promotion activities, as well as improving the diversity of our firm.

We've seen tangible changes in our firm from championing diverse voices across all areas of our business, something we want to see continue to flourish in the years to come and with Mansfield as a key partner in building in an inclusive environment for all.

To read more about this fantastic achievement please [click here](#)

Inclusive Recruitment Charter

Take a look at our new Inclusive Recruitment Charter...

The Charter builds on some of our great initiatives from the last year, like taking part in the 10,000 Black Interns programme, introducing mandatory inclusion training for all our people, and achieving Mansfield Certification Plus.

Learn more about our commitments to being a responsible business by [clicking here](#)

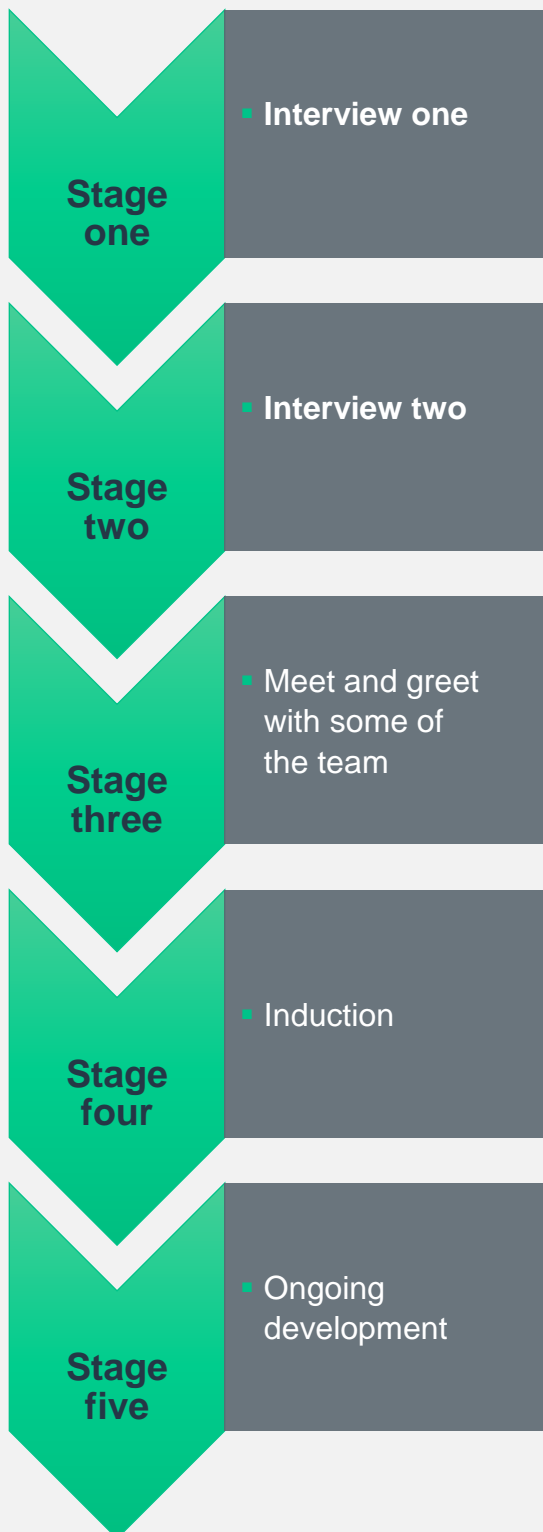
Responsible Business Networks

We embrace individuality and bring diverse teams together, creating an inclusive work environment where all of our talent can flourish. Our inclusion programme has five priority areas, each with partner champions and network groups, in addition to other networks and societies that bring people together within the responsible business programme.

Our current networks include:

- Arts Society
- Balance in Business - our gender balance network
- Cultural Diversity network
- equaliTW - our LGBTQ+ network
- Family Matters network
- Social Mobility network
- Sustainability network
- Wellbeing network

Your recruitment journey



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Brazil*	Belo Horizonte Brasilia Rio de Janeiro São Paulo	Panama*	Panama City
Chile*	Santiago de Chile	Poland	Warsaw
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