



Ogier's "go-to" team in Guernsey sees increased rankings in Chambers UK 2024

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Ogier's team in Guernsey boasts the "lead insolvency lawyer", the "island's go-to real estate and funds lawyers", the "leading technical lawyer on the island" and the "first port of call" for employment law according to client reviews in the latest Chambers UK directory.

The 2024 rankings include 11 partners from across the firm's Corporate, Investment Funds, Dispute Resolution, Property and Trusts teams, nearly double the amount in the 2023 rankings. Client feedback praised Ogier for its "responsible and knowledgeable team" and its quality of support.

In the Corporate and Finance including Investment Funds category, the team offers "*practical feedback*" and is "*easy to work with*", according to client feedback. Included in the rankings are partners **Bryon Rees**, who clients say is "*an absolute pleasure to work with*" and the "*go-to person for funds work in Guernsey*", **Richard Sharp**, who is "*very efficient, competent and knowledgeable*" and **Christopher Jones**. **Paul Chanter** is ranked as Up and Coming.

The Guernsey Dispute Resolution team is praised for its ability to "*get to grips with complicated factual matters and advise with ease*" and "*remain level headed when dealing with complex matters*". Ranked individuals include partner **Simon Davies**, who is "*very calm, experienced and bright*", while partner **Mathew Newman** is a "*top-quality operator*" and "*the lead insolvency lawyer in Guernsey*". "*Terrifically good and dynamic*" **Sandie Lyne**, who was also described as "*succinct and effective in court*", is ranked as Up and Coming.

Ogier's Guernsey Property team was said to "*know everything that concerns real estate on Guernsey*". Partner **Martyn Baudains** was described as "*the island's go-to and best real estate lawyer*", while "*phenomenal*" senior associate **Martin Casas** is listed as an Associate to Watch, with client feedback citing his "*outstanding*" knowledge of property law.

The Trusts team were branded as "*able to handle complex technical matters with ease*" and

having *"a key ability of breaking down the most complex matters"*. As for the partners, *"personable, technically brilliant and commercially astute"* **Gavin Ferguson** was joined by *"leading technical lawyer on the island"* **Matt Guthrie** and *"thorough and detail-orientated"* **Catherine Moore**. Clients called managing associate **Chris Hards**, who was ranked as an Associate to Watch, a "rising star" who is *"a credit not just to the firm but the profession"*.

"First port of call" and *"respected figure in the market"* head of employment **Rachel DeSanges** is ranked in the Employment category, in which she is also described as *"exuding authority combined with a calm and practical approach"*.

Practice partner Christopher Jones said: "Ogier is growing in strength in Guernsey as shown by the higher number of partners ranked this year. I am delighted for our teams, who deserve all the praise that comes their way for the high calibre of service they continue to provide."

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