

LAWYER OF THE YEAR

WINNER

Edwin Glasgow QC

39 ESSEX STREET

The Saville Inquiry and more

With Lord Saville preparing his final report on the Bloody Sunday Inquiry, Glasgow's role as lead counsel to 440 soldiers received widespread acclaim. Taking the rare step of refusing annual increases in his fees over the length of the seven-year inquiry, Glasgow regularly flew to Africa at weekends to

advise citizens on human rights issues pro bono.



Edwin Glasgow QC with his award



(L to R): Ian Hislop, Nicholas Robbins of Garfield Robbins International, and Glasgow's head of Chambers Richard Davies QC

Glasgow's commitment to this cause has helped foster a culture of pro bono at 39 Essex Street generally, with each member contributing an impressive amount annually. The range of work undertaken includes providing both written and oral advice, representation before domestic and international courts, and assisting campaign groups in the Parliamentary process. In addition to Glasgow's work in Africa, the set has close links to human rights campaigner, Liberty.

Perceived as combining a sharp intellect with fairness, honesty and a sense of humour, Glasgow is without doubt one of the first names to be called on in any government inquiry – indeed, being summoned to a late night Inquiry meeting prevented him from picking up his Legal Business trophy on the night. The Saville Inquiry is the latest in a line of inquiries on Glasgow's CV, including the Hillsborough, Piper Alpha, Herald of Free Enterprise, Guinness DTI, Guildford Four, and Bradford Stadium Fire Inquiries.

HIGHLY COMMENDED

TIM HERRINGTON

Financial Services Authority

Few lawyers have managed to become as synonymous with one practice area as financial services guru Tim Herrington. In a Clifford Chance career spanning 30 years, Herrington has consistently been at the cutting edge in his field. So there were no surprises when, late

recovering over \$475m. A further sum in excess of \$400m is presently being sought in what is considered a seminal international case. His commitment and responsibility has seen not only his life under threat but also those of his family.

THOMAS FORSCHBACH

Latham & Watkins

Few lawyers attract the kind of plaudits regularly attached to Latham & Watkins' private equity star Thomas Forschbach. His move in 2004 to the West Coast firm's Paris office after 11 highly successful years at Ashurst was widely considered to be the most significant loss suffered by any UK firm in Europe last year. His household-name clients include Cinven, PPM Ventures and BC Partners.

ANDY RYDE

Slaughter and May

Ryde was the driving force behind Slaughter and May's spectacular defence for Marks & Spencer against billionaire Philip Green's resolute attempts to acquire the retail chain last summer. Ryde's tactics had to combine agility with courage in the most high-stakes takeover battle of the year. His dramatic success for M&S has already become the stuff of legal legend.

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last year, the Financial Services Authority appointed Herrington as the high-profile chairman of its regulatory decisions committee. Clifford Chance's loss is the FSA's significant gain.

CHRISTOPHER GOODING

Howard Kennedy

Gooding's work for Kuwait Airways in its epic \$1bn case against Iraqi Airways – the longest-running commercial court case for over 100 years – has seen judicial restatement, new law and judgments

Lawyer of the Year 2005

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Congratulations to the Winner
Edwin Glasgow QC, 39 Essex Street

And also to all the other winners and nominees on the night.



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