



Daniel Whitehead (centre)
with Derek Adamson of DWF

RISING STAR IN-HOUSE COUNSEL OF THE YEAR

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DANIEL WHITEHEAD

Citibank

COMMERCIAL, RESPONSIVE AND ASTUTE

Noted as a shining example of an in-house counsel with the skills to balance the competing interests within his own organisation while at the same time being exceptionally responsive to the needs of its clients, Citibank assistant general counsel Whitehead has led on some of the most complex matters in which the bank has been involved in recent years, including the winding up proceedings for The Baha Mar Resort Project, a case that involved simultaneous

and competing US bankruptcy proceedings and Bahamian insolvency proceedings along with other related litigation in the UK.

As one private practice referee sums up: 'Hands-on, a great team leader and an important figure in his industry, Dan deserves recognition for his versatility, his strategic and highly commercial approach and for keeping his feet firmly on the ground while managing a high profile and very busy role. Dan takes this all in stride with a sense of good humour.'

HIGHLY COMMENDED

CAROLE DEADMAN

Abbey Life Assurance Company

Deadman is noted for holding her own with Magic Circle partners when it comes to advising on sophisticated financial matters. She recently advised on a number of highly complex issues, including a new discretionary investment mandate for assets worth around £400m.

ANNALIESE HEMSLEY

BAT Law

Annaliese Hemsley joined BAT in 2009 and has since been promoted to a senior litigation role that covers 180 countries. She has successfully defended a range of tobacco claims and is praised for her ability to keep on top of a number of small-to medium-sized litigation cases

in a variety of jurisdictions while simultaneously managing some of the most significant high-value tobacco litigation cases in the world.

HENRY GARDENER

Markel International

Tipped to be a leading GC within the next five years, Gardener was promoted to head of legal and regulatory affairs at Markel in January after just two years with the company. In his time with the legal team, he has worked on a number of significant projects, including devising a strategy for dealing with highly complex multi-party litigation.

MATTHEW WILSON

Uber

With an in-house team barely eight months old, Matt Wilson is quickly

building a reputation for overcoming major legal hurdles for one of the world's fastest-growing companies, including high-profile competition-related matters such as defeating a High Court challenge from Transport for London over the legality of the Uber app in London.

CAROLINE WITHERS

Virgin Media

Described as an exceptional corporate lawyer, Withers is praised for her ability to understand a broad range of matters and to regularly find the perfect solution to highly complex issues. She has been involved in a number of high-profile and noteworthy transactions recently, not least her role in Virgin Media's multi-billion pound acquisition by Liberty Global.



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