

A man in a grey suit and white shirt stands in a modern office with large windows, gesturing with his right hand while speaking to a group of people seated around a table. A woman with blonde hair is visible on the right, looking towards the speaker. The scene is brightly lit with natural light from the windows.

Forward thinking
Straight talking

Legal Secretary

JOB SPECIFICATION

Gateley / LEGAL

POSITION: Legal Secretary

LOCATION: London

CONTRACT TYPE: Permanent

The *role*

An exciting opportunity for a proactive and organised Legal Secretary to join our Complex International Recovery Work (CIRW) team in London. You will provide high-quality secretarial and administrative support to Kiran McCarthy (Partner) and the wider team, ensuring seamless delivery of client service across multi-jurisdictional disputes and asset recovery matters.

This role requires a regular office presence, with flexibility for hybrid working in line with Gateley's forward-thinking approach.

Key Responsibilities

- Provide comprehensive secretarial support to fee earners, including diary management, document production, and file management.
- Prepare and amend legal documents and correspondence to a high standard.
- Liaise confidently with clients, colleagues, and external parties.
- Manage billing processes and maintain accurate records.
- Coordinate travel arrangements and assist with meeting logistics.
- Ensure compliance with Gateley's policies and procedures.

The *team*

The CIRW team specialises in complex, high-value disputes with an international element, including fraud, asset tracing and recovery, and enforcement actions. Our work spans High Court litigation, arbitration (including LCIA), and proceedings in overseas jurisdictions such as Hong Kong, Singapore, BVI, and the Middle East. You'll be joining a dynamic team that acts for governments, corporates, and institutional clients on some of the most challenging cases globally.

The *person*

In particular we look for the following attributes:

- Minimum **12 months' experience** as a Legal Secretary, ideally within litigation or dispute resolution.
- Strong organisational skills and ability to prioritise a varied workload.
- Excellent communication skills, both written and verbal.
- Proficient in Microsoft Office and case management systems.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team.

The *benefits*

With support, coaching and feedback from some of the most engaging colleagues around our great development and progression opportunities will reward your commitment and loyalty. We offer a competitive remuneration package where you'll be rewarded for your individual performance with an opportunity to receive an annual bonus.

In addition, we have a wide range of learning and development opportunities via our Learn platform to develop new skills and progress your career. Our My Flex comprehensive rewards package includes options covering annual leave (and the benefit of purchasing extra days), cycle to work, critical illness benefit, employee assistance programme, group personal pension, health care, season ticket loan and many more benefits (grade dependent). Finally, with Perks At Work/Home you can select a host of retail benefits that suit your needs alongside a Community Online Academy, free courses for all from fitness to coding to languages to hip hop dance.

We are *Gateley*

We are forward thinking and straight talking, our approach is to find solutions to the problems that our clients face. Gateley is a legal and professional services group, we are a group of formidable experts in all areas of law and business. Passionate problem solvers, we get our kicks from finding the right answers and getting our legal and business clients where they need to be. We support more than 5,700 active clients, ranging from FTSE 100 companies to private individuals, in the UK and beyond. Being part of Gateley is not just about the expertise that you bring; it's about attitude too.

The 'Gateley Story' is the story of our people and our culture. It is what has got us to where we are today as a successful business and it's the driving force behind the Gateley Team Spirit and the values that have shaped it. We have a set of shared internal values that capture what the Gateley Team Spirit is and this includes five elements that bind us all together as one Gateley: Ambitious for Success, Forward Thinking, Room to Breathe, Trusted to Do and Working Together. Every year across the group, we recognise members of our team that have gone above and beyond and have lived these shared values. They are recognised at our annual Gateley Team Spirit awards.

Diversity, inclusion and well being

Diversity, inclusion and well being is an important part of Gateley's culture and values. We recruit talented people from a diverse range of backgrounds and cultures, providing equal opportunities for all to join our team regardless of age, sex, race, sexual orientation, disability, or culture.

We create an exciting and rewarding place to work that aims to fulfil everyone's potential and together to achieve personal and business goals. We offer flexible working patterns to help our staff achieve a good work/life balance and we encourage candidates seeking flexibility in their next role to apply for any of our vacancies.

We are proud to have been recognised by The Law Society as gold standard for our Diversity and Inclusion Charter and to be Stonewall Diversity Champions.

Additional Information

If you are successful in receiving an offer of a role with our company a variety of pre-employment screening checks will be completed. Our screening checks can include but are not limited to your eligibility to work,

professional and academic qualifications, any criminal records, your financial stability and references from previous employers. The screening that takes place will be relevant to your role and will vary from role to role.



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