

Collas Crill's Jersey dispute resolution team ranked top tier by Legal 500

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Collas Crill's Jersey dispute resolution team has been ranked as a top tier practice by legal industry commentators the Legal 500.

The Legal 500 United Kingdom 2014 has promoted Collas Crill's team to top of the league and says of its head, partner Nuno Santos-Costa, that his 'reputation as one of Jersey's most respected and accomplished lawyers is fully deserved'.

Partner Danny Le Maistre is 'extremely professional' and partner Damian James takes 'a proactive approach to case management', the Legal 500 comments.

Nuno Santos-Costa, who is named as one of Jersey's leading lawyers, believes that the firm's ranking is significant given the reputation of the Island's courts.

He said: "The ranking is particularly pleasing given that Jersey is renowned on an international scale as providing exemplary litigation services in circumstances where the level of work that is undertaken is of an extremely high calibre and we as a jurisdiction are fortunate indeed to have truly exceptional lawyers working in this area.

"There have been occasions when this jurisdiction has been criticised but for the most part that is in circumstances where those who have come seeking justice do not feel they have obtained it, usually because they have been unsuccessful in the litigation.

"People who lose cases often look for someone to blame but in reality justice is usually served in this jurisdiction and sometimes unsuccessful parties should look to the strength of their argument rather than blaming the system. I have no hesitation in saying that in my 22 years of practice in Jersey I remain proud of our legal system and those who practice within it, and I am honoured to be part of it."

He added: "Collas Crill's Dispute Resolution team in Jersey has worked tremendously hard over the past three years and can justifiably be proud of its position at the forefront of Jersey litigation, dealing as it does with a vast number of highly complicated and labour intensive instructions where sophisticated clients require a first class service, which they undoubtedly get from the team at Collas Crill."

Collas Crill has one of the largest Dispute Resolution practices in the Channel Islands. The team has been involved in the majority of the largest cases in Jersey in recent years and has an unbroken track record of achieving significant results in substantial cases covering contentious trusts, fraud and asset-tracing, funds and financial services litigation, heavyweight contract cases, insolvency, regulatory cases and property and planning work. In addition, Collas Crill continues to carve a niche in contentious employment work.

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