

HOWARD KENNEDY



SPACE
TO BE
EXTRAORDINARY





Welcome message

At Howard Kennedy you have the space to be extraordinary.

Rewarding work with great clients and exceptional colleagues. Plenty of responsibility and the chance to make a real difference in an agile, growing firm. For the right person, Howard Kennedy is a place to actively develop your business practice and career.

Whether you are an ambitious and talented individual wanting to hit the ground running from day one, or an established professional looking for a new opportunity, Howard Kennedy is the firm where you can really make it happen.

The firm has earned a strong reputation for its exceptional and uniquely talented people who between them deliver outstanding results for clients. In a firm of our size, our strong team dynamic creates a thriving culture of creativity and entrepreneurialism. Howard Kennedy is a pragmatic and non-hierarchical environment where success is shared, and you are proactively encouraged to thrive at your own pace.

Our distinctive culture is built on fairness and respect. Guided by the firm's values of 'Talk Straight, Think Smart, Be Yourself', everyone in the firm holds equal value, and everyone plays their role in supporting, encouraging and inspiring colleagues to do their best work.

At the same time, Howard Kennedy recognises and rewards individualism, celebrating the diversity of its people and supporting them to grow their practice and drive their own career advancement.

As well as client work, there is opportunity to broaden your horizons at the firm with fulfilling pro bono and charity projects. And we have a regular social calendar full of wellbeing activities, charitable and social events too.

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About us

We are a London based, full-service law firm, specialising in providing straightforward advice on domestic and international matters. With almost 200 lawyers in one location, we ensure our clients have the right team to help them get from where they are to where they want to be. We advise major corporates and institutions as well as entrepreneurial, ambitious enterprises which are often privately or family owned, or private equity backed. As well as our significant business law capability, we are one of only a few London-based law firms with a large private wealth offering. Our clients find our straightforward approach a compelling alternative to larger, less personal firms.

We are a firm with ambitious plans. In the international arena, we have been a member of Meritas and Lawyers Associated Worldwide for many years working with a truly global range of clients across the Middle East and Israel, Africa, Asian subcontinent, Far East, Western Europe, and the US.

Our Values

Our values act as a built-in compass, guiding us in the way we behave, the things we say and the decisions we make.

Talk Straight

Think Smart

Be Yourself



Howard Kennedy at a glance

We have almost 200 lawyers operating out of a single London office so we can be agile and responsive in our decision making and more collaborative in our working style.

At least a quarter of our revenue comes from outside the UK. Our clients' needs often have an international component and the requirement is growing.



500+

People

25%

International work

195+

Lawyers

70+

Countries

70+

Partners

2

International legal networks

SECTORS AND SERVICES

We are a full-service firm organised into 17 legal service teams and a focus on seven key sectors.

- Energy
- Investment Funds
- Media & Entertainment
- Private Wealth
- Real Estate
- Retail & Leisure
- Sport

74.4m

2023/2024 revenue

Why Howard Kennedy?

LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

At Howard Kennedy you have the space you need to be yourself, while working with some of the most brilliant minds who will inspire, challenge and support you every day. We will nurture you as you grow your career, while recognising that everyone's goals and aspirations are different.

There are established career frameworks in place for both lawyers and support services. Our talent development programmes are designed to enable our future leaders to achieve their potential and ensure succession for key roles. At the same time, development is available to everyone regardless of your aspiration.

RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS

Our responsible business strategy is designed to impact our society and world in which we operate. We focus on six strategic areas, People; Environment; Social Impact; Ethics and Supply Chain, Clients, which were designed through engagement with our people, clients and suppliers and have a comprehensive plan of delivery behind each one. We encourage our people to get involved.

WELLBEING

The wellbeing of every employee at Howard Kennedy is important to us and the future of our business. The health and financial needs of our people are supported through employer-funded private medical insurance, the Employee Assistance Programme, Occupational Health support, free independent mortgage advice and access to a 24/7 virtual GP service. We also offer free and confidential counselling for anyone that needs it.



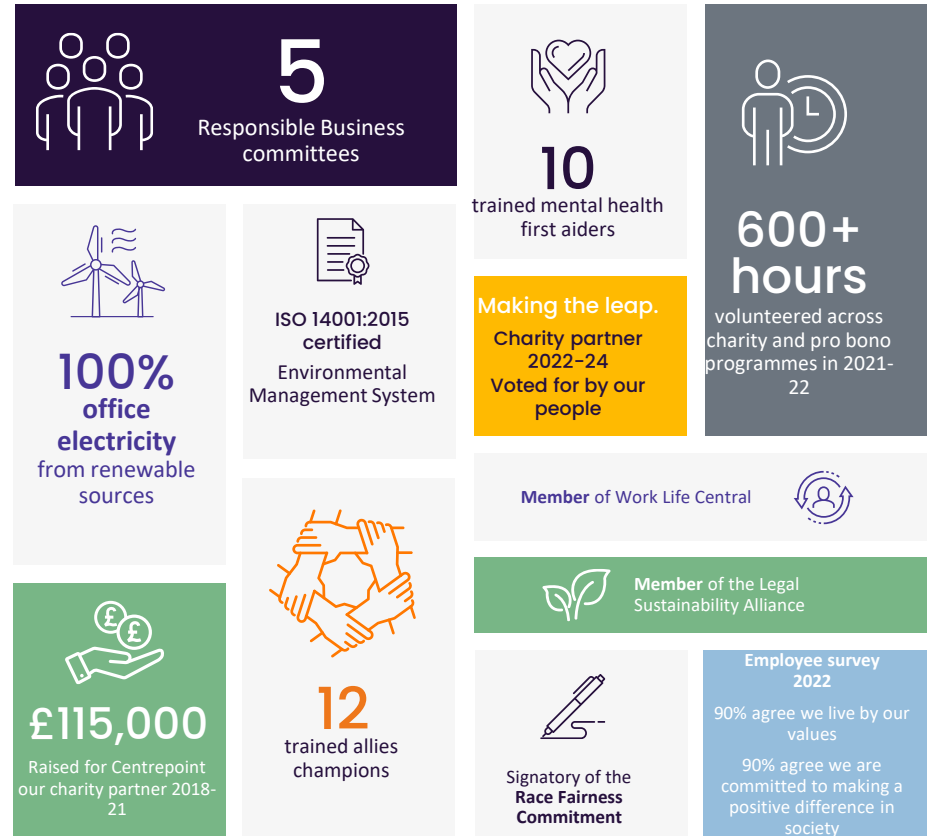
Responsible Business

Guided by our values, we're committed to inclusively and sustainably supporting our people, our clients, our communities, and the environment.

At Howard Kennedy, we take our responsibility to manage the impact we have on the world in which we operate, seriously. That's why responsible business is a core part of our business strategy. It's seen as essential in helping us achieve our vision to be a progressive, independent and profitable business

As a responsible business we focus on:

- **People:** Nurturing an inclusive, values-driven culture where everyone can be themselves, with their development and wellbeing at the centre.
- **Environment:** Working to reduce our environmental impact and promote environmental awareness and responsibility among our people.
- **Social Impact:** Promoting equality of opportunity and access to justice by sharing our time and skills through volunteering, fundraising and pro bono services.
- **Ethics:** Ensuring and maintaining the highest standards of professional integrity, operating ethically with clear and transparent governance.
- **Supply Chain:** Working with suppliers who are compliant, responsible and share the same values as we do.
- **Additional:** We're helping our clients to achieve their own Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) ambitions offering support with a range of issues.



The Role

Solicitor, Real Estate – Residential Conveyancing

Our Residential Conveyancing team has a new opportunity for a Solicitor to join the team in April 2025.

Howard Kennedy has a leading residential real estate team with repeat referrals from leading estate agents, buying agents, financial intermediaries and clients. We have experience, expertise and knowledge of the market and the deal process involved. The team is proactive, commercial and efficient and always keeps our clients informed throughout the conveyancing process.

We provide clear and straightforward advice and regularly support clients in residential and investment property sales and purchases, leasehold enfranchisement, planning considerations, and construction and building contracts.





Main Responsibilities

- Supporting all aspects of residential conveyancing transactions (Leasehold and Freehold transactions, including new build transactions) from end to end, delivering in line with client expectations and deadlines.
- Undertaking due diligence, preparing reports on title, dealing with elements of the contract and/or supplemental documents.
- Dealing with property aspects for financing transactions and certificates or disclosure of title.
- Acting for the landlord and tenants in connection with licences to assign, rent deposit deeds, licences to alter and deeds of variation.
- Dealing with voluntary lease extensions.
- Assisting the Real Estate Dispute Resolution Team on matters relating to statutory lease extension and enfranchisement claims under the Leasehold Reform Housing and Development Act 1993 and Leasehold Reform Act 1967.
- Assisting the Private Client and Family Teams on matters requiring support from the Residential Conveyancing team, such as property transfers following death, property transfers following relationship breakdowns.
- Drafting, negotiating, settling and completing assured shorthold tenancy agreements and common law tenancy agreements.
- Management of own files (subject to supervision as necessary).
- Assisting more senior fee earners on larger transactions.
- Responsibility for participating in business development and client relationship management activities.
- Assisting and mentoring more junior members of the team including Trainees and Paralegals.
- Dealing directly with solicitor and client enquiries, along with any internal enquiries.
- Ensuring that up-to-date client matter schedules are maintained for both internal and external use.
- Contributing where possible to the effectiveness of team workflow, including attending departmental and other appropriate briefings to assess current and future needs.



About you

Ideally you will be able to demonstrate;

- Relevant post qualification experience within a high performing Residential Conveyancing department.
- Post qualification experience dealing with enfranchisement matters.
- Experience of working effectively across multiple matters in a deadline driven environment.
- Experience of transactions relating to prime and super prime residential property.
- Pro-active and conscientious approach to work.
- Confident and effective communication skills
- Experience of time recording using Elite or a similar system.
- Experience of using Filesite or a similar document management system.



Want to know more?

Our firm champions individualism and thrives on dynamic teamwork. We've built a strong reputation on the success of our exceptionally talented people - each of them bringing a unique set of strengths, skills and perspectives that when combined, lead to outstanding results for our clients.

However you want to progress your career, Howard Kennedy can help you make it happen.

Join us, and find your space to be extraordinary.

If you'd like to know more about this role please get in touch with the contact listed below.



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