

Award	Law firm	Originality	Leadership	Impact	Total	Comment
Standout	Mishcon de Reya	10	10	8	28	When the UK voted to leave the EU in June 2016, the firm conceived of, partly funded and brought the Article 50 constitutional case to the Supreme Court, which established the limits of executive power. Commended: James Libson
Standout	ClientEarth	9	10	8	27	A nine-year case against the EU to ensure the Aarhus Convention, which codifies the rights of individuals and NGOs to bring cases to the EU courts, was enforced.
Standout	The Aire Centre	10	9	8	27	The Separated Children in Judicial Proceedings Project brings together European legal practitioners to share information about child laws and judicial standards to ensure children's rights are protected across Europe. Commended: Nuala Mole
Highly Commended	Bright Line Law	8	8	8	24	The White Collar Crime Centre established by the legal practice directs research into corporate wrongdoing. It examines how criminal law proposals might affect corporate behaviour and financial crime and led to an amendment to the Criminal Finances Bill 2016. Commended: Jonathan Fisher QC
Highly Commended	Hogan Lovells	7	8	8	23	The firm acts as a global hub for a range of efforts to empower girls and women. This support includes partnerships with charitable organisations and backing for other networks working to combat gender-based violence and ensure women know their rights and have access to justice. Commended: Yasmin Waljee
Highly Commended	DLA Piper	8	8	7	23	In an effort to ensure fair and open trials in Europe, the firm sends lawyers as neutral observers in cases where journalists, human rights defenders and political activists are being prosecuted.
Commended	White & Case	7	7	8	22	Working closely with the Ghanaian judiciary, the firm has helped to develop and launch the country's first legal ethics training programme for law students.
Commended	Paul Hastings	7	8	7	22	The firm successfully argued that costs incurred by third parties in pro bono legal cases in European Courts are recoverable. Funds received are donated to their non-profit clients to help them further their work.
Commended	Capital Law	8	7	7	22	The firm's £50m litigation fund allows small to medium-sized businesses to fight cases against larger parties when litigation costs would otherwise prevent access to justice.
Commended	Herbert Smith Freehills	7	7	7	21	The firm played an important role in developing the Global Pound Conference, which seeks to engage stakeholders in developing models for alternative dispute resolution to help improve access to mediation and justice. Commended: Alexander Oddy
Commended	Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer	7	7	7	21	Established in 2010, the firm's human trafficking project represents individual victims, ensuring judgments are enforced. It also supports organisations in litigation to bring about systematic change.
Commended	Bond Dickinson	6	7	7	20	In partnership with the University of Greenwich Legal Advice Centre, the firm has developed a pro bono small business advice clinic to help unemployed aspiring entrepreneurs establish new businesses.
Commended	Allen & Overy	5	8	7	20	Working with the health development agency Amref in Tanzania, the firm has backed efforts to reduce pregnancy rates among teenagers and the number of teenagers illegally denied an education due to pregnancies.