

Conflicts Officer

Ashurst's Risk & Compliance Department – Conflict and Ethics Team, Glasgow

Recruitment

About Ashurst	Ashurst is a leading progressive global law firm with a rich history spanning more than 200 years. We are proud of our history and are future-focused, having expanded into new technologies through our NewLaw division, Ashurst Advance, and our consulting arm. Our indepth understanding of our clients and commitment to providing excellent standards of service have seen us become a trusted adviser to local and global corporates, financial institutions and governments in all areas of commercial law. To find out more please visit www.ashurst.com .
Department/Role overview	Working as part of our Global Risk & Compliance Department, the Conflicts & Ethics Team is responsible for analysing all new clients and matters to identify and resolve legal and commercial "conflicts of interest".
	The role is ideally suited to an individual with a clear and confident communication style, and a desire to work collaboratively with a dynamic and motivated team. The successful candidate will have a keen eye for detail and an interest in current affairs. A legal qualification is not essential, but problem solving and professionalism are key.
	Your Glasgow based team will join colleagues across Brisbane, London, Sydney, and New Zealand working together to provide conflicts clearance as our partners and clients pursue the most exciting deals on offer across the globe.
	Hours of work:
	37.5 hours per week Monday to Friday, working 7.5 hours a day, between the hours of 06:00 – 21:00, on a flexible working pattern.
	Core hours are Monday to Friday, 9:00am – 5:30pm, with flexibility required to support business need.
	You may be required to work additional hours to meet specific deadlines and/or facilitate project implementation.
Main responsibilities	Business as usual:

- Develop and maintain knowledge of the rules of professional conduct applicable in UK and across the countries in which Ashurst lawyers practice
- Use your research skills to identify and verify clients, third parties and assets involved in new business requests
- Develop and apply your understanding of legal transactions to determine the relationships between parties involved in a particular matter; and if in doubt, liaise with the partners and lawyers
- Analyse information in the firm's conflict management systems and other databases to identify any potential conflicts of interest
- Work collaboratively with team members and Senior Management to find solutions to potential legal and commercial conflicts
- Record excellent phone notes, legal and commercial analysis to serve as a record of compliance for our insurers, regulators and firm management
- Maintain the highest standards of data quality within the conflicts database.

Other tasks:

- Work across function groups (Finance, HR, IT, Business Development) to tackle projects and solve problems
- Take advantage of our continuous professional development opportunities and carefully planned career development
- Assist in preparing and delivering training and other compliance education sessions for the business.

Risk and Control: Ensure that all activities and duties are carried out in full compliance with our regulatory requirements and internal policies.

Essential skills and experience

- An interest in the work undertaken by a corporate multinational firm
- A desire to understand the business and work closely as a team to solve problems
- Strong organisational skills, attention to detail and able to work well under pressure
- Strong IT literacy and the ability to adapt to new processes and technology quickly
- Strong interpersonal skills required to engage all levels of legal and support staff

	The discretion required to maintain confidential information appropriately
	Education/Qualification (or relevant experience):
	 We welcome applicants from both law and non-law disciplines
	 Experience in a law firm or large corporation is preferable but not essential.
Background checks	In order to comply with regulatory and client requirements, Ashurst will undertake appropriate vetting of staff. When applicants accept a job offer, Ashurst, alongside a specialist provider, will undertake professional verification and background checks. These checks are only undertaken with consent, and in accordance with our legal and regulatory obligations.