

Lawyer, Derivatives (4-7 years' PQE)

Department/group

Derivatives

Office

London - Spitalfields

Reporting to

Head - Derivatives

Hybrid & flexible work patterns Opportunity to work part time (4 days per week) and flexibly, including working from home on selected days (following probation period).

About aosphere

aosphere is a leading provider of subscription-based online legal analysis products. We have over 1,300 clients and over 18,000 users worldwide. We are at the forefront of legal innovation and have featured multiple times in the prestigious *Financial Times Innovative Lawyers* report. Our success is built on a foundation of quality, accountability and friendliness - values that shape everything we do.

Role purpose

We are currently seeking a lawyer on a permanent basis. The role involves maintaining the multi-jurisdictional content across a variety of derivatives products which contain analysis and summaries of the law relating to netting, collateral, pre-trade due diligence and derivatives regulation globally. Day-to-day work will include:

- updating or creating reports for on-line publication
- commissioning and negotiating updates or new legal memoranda
- inputting into the development of new products
- marketing and dealing with queries from subscribers
- monitoring regulatory developments and drafting alerts.

The successful lawyer will work directly with other lawyers in the aosphere derivatives team and the product Head.

Job description

Role and responsibilities include:

- Updating the legal content of existing products, either by reference to aosphere-commissioned opinions or opinions commissioned and published by leading industry associations. Update periods can be irregular and busy. Deadlines for updating and issuing new content are critical. The ability to reduce long and complex narratives into concise, accurate, consistent summaries is essential.
- Commissioning and negotiating new content – this involves negotiating and agreeing legal opinions from counsel in multiple jurisdictions, analysing those opinions and summarising key issues in reports.
- Working with the derivatives team to contribute to the development of new products.
- Supporting marketing activities and providing support and training to existing subscribers.

Key requirements

- 4-7 years' PQE lawyer with experience in the derivatives space.
- Strong technical, analytical and report/opinion drafting skills together with excellent attention to detail required.
- Able to demonstrate the ability to become an expert in unfamiliar areas of law.
- Able to demonstrate experience of meeting the requirements of highly demanding corporate and financial services clients.
- Experience in international/cross border work.
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills. This role involves daily communication with the aosphere legal and support teams, partners, colleagues in overseas offices and other counsel.
- Pro-active and self-motivated.
- Ability to manage workload independently and juggle competing timelines.
- Team working skills are essential.

The position would appeal to an experienced lawyer wishing to continue to work at a level of service which produces top quality work for demanding clients but without the unpredictability of transactional work. All necessary training to ensure the successful candidate is fully involved in supporting the business at the earliest opportunity will be provided.

Key relationships

- Head – Derivatives
- aosphere Counsel and Senior Associates
- Wider aosphere community
- Local counsel and industry bodies

Join our team!

Join our team, and be part of a high-performing, collaborative culture, with friendly people, fantastic offices (based in Spitalfields) and an extensive, generous benefits package. (Annual discretionary bonus is applied post probationary period).

