**Title:** Accounts Payable **Department:** Accounts



## **ROLE RESPONSIBILITIES**

### Responsibilities will include:

- Posting of supplier invoices and checking that the invoices have been correctly coded to the general ledger.
   Liaising with invoice approvers where necessary.
- Coordinating payment runs for supplier in a timely manner as well as the sending of remittance advices.
- Assisting with the weekly expenses processing for partners and staff including coding and checking claims
  against policy as well as filing of the documents submitted
- Setting up new supplier accounts & upkeep of existing supplier details.
- Creating and setting up supplier payments lists.
- Reconciliation of supplier account statements.
- Managing corporate credit card expenses, which includes processing credit card transactions, reconciling credit card statements against receipts, and allocating expenses to the appropriate accounts.
- Work closely with other team members to ensure that AP service delivery is met.
- Dealing with internal and external queries in a timely and professional manner.
- Promote continual improvement in the efficiency and effectiveness of the function. Contribute to project work for AP function working closely with stakeholders on improvements.
- Efficient management of the Accounts Payable mailbox
- Coordinating transfers between office bank accounts as required.

### Other responsibilities include:

- Obtaining Barclays Dotnet authorities from partners for CHAPS & BACS payments
- Assisting with posting of disbursement costs counsel matters including counsel fee notes.
- The posting matter related invoices.
- Report and identify SAR breaches to Senior Compliance Officer (SAR) for inclusion on the COFA report.
- To provide accurate data that supports the preparation of financial reports and the overall finance function of the company.
- Providing assistance to the year-end statutory accounts and audit.
- Ad hoc duties as required.

## PERSON SPECIFICATION

### The ideal candidate will have:

- Strong GCSE and "A" levels, particularly in Maths and English.
- Appropriate relevant experience in an accounts payable role of working in a legal or professional services environment dealing with office transactions.
- Aderant knowledge would be advantageous but not essential.
- Ideally with a background in legal cashiering experience covering accounts payable functions / purchase ledger.
- Working knowledge of VAT.
- Excel knowledge would be useful.
- Ability to prioritise and manage workload
- Good attention to detail
- Well-organised, team player with a flexible and willing attitude
- The ability to work well within a team environment, with limited supervision.

You will be a confident communicator with a positive work ethic and the ability to build credible relationships with clients both internal and external. We are looking for an individual who presents themselves with professionalism and polish, who will inspire the confidence of clients and colleagues.





## **BENEFITS**

We reward our staff for their continued commitment to the success of this Firm with a comprehensive range of benefits. Fladgate have also adopted a hybrid model of both office-based and home working which is a discretionary benefit depending on the role and responsibilities.

ON JOINING

## AFTER 2 MONTHS

AFTER 3 MONTHS

AFTER 6

- Life assurance scheme 5x annual salary (non-contributory)
- Annual holiday entitlement 26 days per calendar year (full time)
- Flexible holiday scheme buy up to five days extra holiday per annum
- Staff introduction bonus £1,000 5,000 depending on vacant role
- Personal training/yoga free weekly sessions
- Free online GP service 24/7 video GP consultations
- Group personal pension plan of 4% 5% employer contributions
- Matching employee contributions of 4% 5% (automatically enrolled)
- Processed via salary sacrifice 50% of employer NI savings added to contribution
- · Company sick pay scheme
- Group income protection
- · Season ticket loan
- Private Dental Plan payable through monthly payroll
- Gym membership scheme interest free gym membership loan
- Eye test vouchers every two years
- Private medical insurance (PMI) for employee cover is employer-paid, however additional family cover is employee-paid

At Fladgate, we recognise the importance of an agile approach, not only in the way we work with our clients, but our employees also. Hybrid working at Fladgate varies depending on your role and responsibilities. As a general rule, for those who can work from home and have roles compatible with home working, we operate a hybrid pattern of two days remote working and three days office based.



# PARENTAL LEAVE & MATERNITY POLICIES



#### Our aim

To create a culture where our people can thrive and feel supported at work. As such, the Firm's approach to parental leave is designed to ensure that anyone who is a parent or is expecting to be a parent has a positive experience prior to parental leave, during their parental leave and upon their return to work whichever type of leave they decide to take.

Our parental leave policies\* cover:

**Maternity** – We offer both statutory maternity pay (SMP) and enhanced maternity pay (EMP), subject to eligibility\*. If eligible, EMP provides 100% of your salary in weeks 1-20 and 50% of your salary in weeks 21-32. Weeks 33-39 are at the government set rate (or 90% of salary, whichever is lower). In order to receive EMP, you must undertake to remain continuously employed by the Firm and to return to work for a period of at least six months from the date of your return to work before providing and notice of resignation\*.

Paternity – We offer enhanced paternity pay (EPP) as full basic pay for up to three weeks\*.

**Shared Parental Leave** – SPL allows parents to take up to 50 weeks' shared leave in total following the birth or adoption of a child\*.

### Adoption and Surrogacy\*

**Ordinary Parental Leave** – Allowing up to 18 weeks unpaid leave for employees who have parental responsibility for a child / children\*.

\* Full details can be found in our staff handbook, which will be provided upon offer of employment.



### **INCLUSION & DIVERSITY**



### **Our focus**

We know that to achieve our inclusion and diversity objectives we need to focus on a number of areas:

**Developing a diverse leadership** – We have a mix of different ethnicity and genders on our leadership groups. We are working hard to improve the gender balance of our partner team and we are striving for 30% female representation by 2025.

**Attracting a diverse workforce** – This means adopting a properly personal approach when connecting with those interested in joining our team including: ensuring fairness in our processes; working with those, like recruiters, who help us in this; a commitment that you will always meet male and female talent in our recruitment interviews.

**Engaging with everyone** in our team to ensure they are heard, supported and understood. Encourage everyone to develop their own voice in shaping our culture, their future and our service to clients. That might be working flexibly or that might be a specific career programme - everyone needs different things at different times.

**Helping all our people** in all roles to achieve their full potential. We provide training, coaching, internal mentors and buddies, whatever works for each individual and their own personal development path.



"As the I&D Partner Lead of the Firm, I am acutely aware that our vision and values are built around the word 'personal'. We are a people business dependent on brilliant client relationships. Inclusion and diversity objectives are therefore not 'soft' business aspirations, they are fundamental to our success"

Helen Curtis-Goulding

1&D Partner Lead

I&D at Fladgate

### **WFIIBFING**

The Firm recognises the importance of the health and wellbeing of all our people and that it can play a part in promoting an environment which allows everyone to flourish and reach their full potential.

Fit4Life

- Bupa private medical insurance (optional benefit to join after six months' service)
- Optional dental insurance
- Eye care vouchers
- Flu jab vouchers
- Weekly personal (group) training or yoga sessions
- Gym membership and fitness activity discounts
- Cycle to work scheme
- Menopause care via Stella app
- Employee Assistance Programme (EAP), available 24/7 and 365 days a year
- Counselling and CBT sessions available via the EAP
- Annual holiday entitlement and flexible holiday scheme, with the opportunity to buy up to an additional weeks' holiday
- Resilience and stress management training
- Mental health awareness talks and training sessions
- The option to mix office-based and home working as a regular pattern of your working week
- Group personal pension and group income protection scheme
- Life assurance (5x annual salary) scheme
- Season ticket loans
- Fee-earner bonus scheme
- Client introduction honus scheme
- Recruitment bonus
- Access to everyday lifestyle discounts, via the Vivup app
- Financial management workshops inc. mortgage and pension management
- Sports and social events, organised by our Sports & Social Committee throughout the year inc. summer and winter parties, bowling nights and quizzes
- CSR committee and fundraising activities
- Flexible working policy
- Loyalty holiday bonus, rewarding long service
- PRIME work experience opportunities
- Student mentoring for LPC and GDL students at the University of Law







