**Title:** Knowledge Paralegal **Department:** Knowledge

Reporting to: Knowledge Solutions Manager



# **ROLE DESCRIPTION**

### The Knowledge Department

The Knowledge department is a newly formed function that is focused on developing, managing and disseminating our firm's knowledge and expertise to support our people in delivering best-in-class advice and enhancing client service. This is a fantastic opportunity to join a new team at a time of transformation in a role that is key to developing the firm's capabilities in knowledge and research.

### Role/Responsibilities

As a Knowledge Paralegal, you will work with the Knowledge Solutions Manager and our Dispute Resolution Knowledge Lawyer on firmwide knowledge management (KM) initiatives, legal research, and the development of internal and external content for the Dispute Resolution practice.

#### Key responsibilities:

- Producing and reviewing drafts of articles, know-how, internal alerts, and client-facing materials
- Assisting with the drafting and maintenance of precedents, including the preparation and maintenance of documents for automation
- Conducting legal research and responding to other knowledge queries
- Assisting with the organisation and delivery of internal and client-facing training and events
- Monitoring current awareness resources for relevant developments and drafting summaries of cases,
   legislation and regulations
- Assisting with KM projects to capture, store, curate and share knowhow, and supporting the updating and maintenance of internal knowledge platforms
- Collaborating with relevant teams to implement and utilise legal technology solutions, including document automation and AI tools
- Contribute to more technical and complex Knowledge-led initiatives and projects as required

# PERSON SPECIFICATION

### The ideal candidate will have:

- Law degree or undergraduate degree (ideally 2.1 or first)
- Preferably will have successfully completed LPC / Bar Course or equivalent / SQE
- Office administration experience or paralegal work experience preferred
- Excellent research skills
- Ability to multi-task and prioritise to meet deadlines as and when required
- Organised and methodical approach to work, with a high level of accuracy and excellent attention to detail
- Positive and professional attitude towards clients and all colleagues, with excellent communication, responsiveness and interpersonal skills
- Pro-active, solutions-oriented approach and ability to use initiative intelligently, including knowing when to seek advice
- IT skills, including good working knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, and Outlook)
- A keen interest in AI and legal technology platforms

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 AONTHS

# 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 1-16 and 50% of your salary in weeks 17-28. Weeks 29-39 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 bonus 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







