



AWARD CEREMONY AT THE BICENTENARY LAW DINNER ON FRIDAY 9TH OF OCTOBER 2026

NEWLY QUALIFIED SOLICITORS

Newly qualified Solicitors, Trainee Solicitors, Training Partners and members of the JLD – it is always a great pleasure at the Annual Law Dinner to celebrate the achievements of our Trainee Solicitors when they qualify into the profession. All newly qualified Solicitors are invited to join the President at the Law Dinner and receive a certificate presented to them during the Awards Ceremony.

Please inform us of all Solicitors who have qualified since 1st of July 2025.

NORTHERN PRIZE FOR LPC & SQE STUDENTS SPONSORED BY NEW PARK COURT CHAMBERS

This Prize has been in existence since 1922 and has been awarded to the candidate who has gained a distinction and the highest overall mark from the entries received on any LPC course and then entered into a training contract for a firm in our area. The LPC is now being replaced by the SQE. This year two Newcastle Prizes will be awarded to the highest achieving LPC and SQE students.

1. Nominations can be received for candidates who have completed their LPC in 2025 or earlier and entered into a training contract between the 1st of July 2025 and the 30th June 2026 with a firm of Solicitors practising in the area of The Newcastle and North of England Law Society constituency.
2. Nominations can be received for candidates who have completed both their SQE 1 and SQE 2 and entered into Qualifying Work Experience with a firm of Solicitors practicing in the area of The Newcastle and North of England Law Society constituency between the 1st of July 2025 and the 30th June 2026.

Please send nominations by email (by the 11th September) with confirmation of a candidates LPC or SQE mark together with a short summary (no more than 250 words of why this individual should receive this award). Prize winners receive a financial reward and trophy.

FAMILY LAW AWARD SPONSORED BY NORTH SQUARE BARRISTERS

This year, a new award has been created for the highest achieving family law student who has graduated from any of the Universities in the North of England – and gone on to get a family training contract with a firm in our region. We are looking for candidates who completed their degree in Summer 2025.

Please submit your application by email (by the 11th September). We require official confirmation of your marks from years 2, 3 and 4 of the courses. The prize winner will receive a financial reward and trophy.

**UNIVERSITY OF NORTHUMBRIA
MLAW EXEMPTING DEGREE PRIZE
SPONSORED BY NORTH SQUARE BARRISTERS**

This is awarded to the best student (with first class honours) on the above degree course, who subsequently goes on to obtain a training contract in the Society's area. We are looking for candidates who completed their degree in Summer 2025.

Please submit your application by email (by the 11th September). We require official confirmation of your marks from years 2, 3 and 4 of the courses. The prize winner will receive a financial reward and trophy.

**UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE LAW SCHOOL PRIZES
SPONSORED BY TRINITY CHAMBERS**

Newcastle Law School will once again be awarding students who have demonstrated high academic achievements with annual awards that are presented by The Newcastle and North of England Law Society at the Law Dinner. The awards are given to those students who have given the best performance in:-

- Criminal Law
- Equity or Trust
- Company Law

Prize winners will receive a financial reward and trophy.

**UNIVERSITY OF LAW CAMPUS CHAMPION PRIZE
SPONSORED BY TRINITY CHAMBERS**

The University of Law will present the Campus Champion Award. This will be presented to the student who has captured the essence of enthusiasm, who has shown dedication throughout the degree and who has had the most positive impact on the campus community.

The prize winner will receive a financial reward and trophy.

**TEESSIDE UNIVERSITY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT &
EMPLOYABILITY EXCELLENCE AWARD
SPONSORED BY PARKLANE PLOWDEN CHAMBERS**

The prize will be awarded to a student who has demonstrated exceptional commitment to developing their employability and professional readiness. This may include, for example, excellent performance in employability-focused modules, engagement in extracurricular activities, work-related learning, professional skills development, and a proactive approach to career planning. The award celebrates sustained effort and clear progression towards graduate employment.

The prize winner will receive a financial reward and trophy.

**THE DURHAM LAW SCHOOL PRIZE FOR OUTSTANDING THIRD-YEAR DISSERTATION
SPONSORED BY PITMAN TRAINING**

Durham University are awarding a prize to the student with the best overall third year performance in the dissertation.

The prize winner will receive a financial reward and trophy.