



Your application for a training contract with Lester Aldridge

We have put these guidance notes together to help you in completing your application for a training contract with us. We know that some of you may be experienced at applying for training contracts, but for others this will be your first time.

As expected, you will be asked a number of standard questions regarding how we can contact you and how you are getting on with the academic side of things, these answers should be fairly quick to complete.

We will also ask you to tell us a little about any law based and non-law based work experience, including the kind of duties you carried out.

The About You questions on our application form are more detailed, and may take a little more preparation time. We suggest a maximum word limit of approximately 300 words for these answers, but a clear and succinct answer is always well received. As our application process does not allow you to save and return to the document later, we wanted to give you the questions in advance. Feel free to copy and paste these responses from your preparation notes if you prefer – although do make sure the responses are specific to us and our firm!

These questions are as follows: (suggested maximum word count 300 each)

- Tell us about your outside interests to include any travelling you have done or involvement with any charity or volunteer work
- Why do you want to be a solicitor?
- What interests you about Lester Aldridge?
- What are you looking for from your training contract?
- What do you feel you can offer Lester Aldridge?
- How do you feel the new Solicitors Qualification Examination (SQE) will impact the future for you?
- If you were able to create a new law, what would it be and why?

You will note that the system allows you to upload a cover letter and a CV. For our training contract applicants, this is not necessary and you can click 'next' to complete the application process. You will receive an automatically generated email from our system acknowledging safe receipt of your application.

We will be in contact with you after the final deadline for applications has been reached, which is 30 June 2020.

If you would like any additional support with your application, please do let us know.

We look forward to receiving your application, and thank you for the time you have invested in completing this exercise.