



# Lester Aldridge Celebrates Success as Four Solicitors Qualify into Real Estate Group

Lester Aldridge is delighted to announce the qualification of four solicitors into its award-winning [Real Estate](#) Group. [Chelsie Little](#), [James Mills](#), [Nicole Critchley](#) and [Phil Bourne](#) have successfully completed their training contracts and are now qualified solicitors.

The Lester Aldridge Real Estate Group is renowned for its comprehensive range of services, delivering tailored solutions to clients across various sectors, including commercial, finance and development projects. Phil and James qualify into the [Real Estate Finance](#) team, where they will advise lenders on a range of transactional matters. Chelsie and Nicole both join the Commercial Real Estate team, providing support to clients in areas such as commercial property acquisitions and disposals, bridging and secured lending finance, and landlord-tenant transactions.

Chelsie, James, Nicole, and Phil have demonstrated exceptional skill, commitment, and passion throughout their two-year training contracts with the firm, showcasing their potential to excel in the legal profession. Their qualification into the Real Estate team reflects their hard work and determination, and Lester Aldridge is proud to celebrate this significant milestone in their careers.

[Mark Benham](#), Partner and Head of Real Estate, commented, “We are thrilled to congratulate Chelsie, James, Nicole, and Phil on their qualification into our growing Real Estate Group. Their dedication and expertise will undoubtedly contribute to the continued success and expansion of our firm. We look forward to seeing them thrive as integral members of our team.”

As Lester Aldridge continues to expand its presence and reputation in the real estate sector, the addition of these four talented solicitors reinforces the firm’s commitment to delivering exceptional service and expertise to its clients.

The firm is currently accepting applications for training contracts starting in 2026. To find out more, please [click here](#).

*Photo, left to right: Nicole Critchley, Chelsie Little, Phil Bourne and James Mills.*