# Ten future solicitors begin their training contracts at Lester Aldridge

Lester Aldridge is delighted to welcome ten trainee solicitors who have recently started their training contracts with the firm.

Serena Acanthe, Natalie Annels, Eimear Arnott, Emma Dawson, India Harris, Mollie Hayward, Lucy Mayne, Thomas Rea, Byron Scott and Amy Sommers have all successfully completed the Solicitors Qualifying Examination (SQE) and are now embarking on the next stage of their legal careers with Lester Aldridge.

During their training contracts, the trainees will gain hands-on experience across a range of practice areas, completing seats within different teams across the firm. Working alongside experienced lawyers, they will develop their legal knowledge and practical skills while supporting a diverse client base that includes individuals, businesses and organisations.

Eight of the ten trainees progressed from paralegal roles at Lester Aldridge into training contracts, highlighting the firm's commitment to developing and retaining talent from within.

Tom Alder, Managing Partner at Lester Aldridge, commented:

*"We are delighted to welcome Serena, Natalie, Eimear, Emma, India, Mollie, Lucy, Thomas, Byron and Amy as they begin their training contracts with Lester Aldridge. Reaching this stage is a fantastic achievement and reflects the hard work and commitment they have shown throughout their legal studies and SQE assessments.*

*It is particularly rewarding to see eight members of this year's cohort progress from paralegal roles within the firm into training contracts, reflecting our commitment to developing talent from within. We look forward to supporting all ten trainees as they build their legal careers with us."*

**Interested in joining our future trainee cohorts?**

Applications for Lester Aldridge's 2029 training contracts will open in early 2027. Visit our Graduate Careers page to learn more about training contracts, work experience opportunities and starting your legal career with Lester Aldridge.



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*Photo, left to right: Kate Stewart (Partner & Training Principal), India Harris, Amy Sommers, Byron Scott, Serena Acanthe, Lucy Mayne, Emma Dawson, Natalie Annels, Eimear Arnott, Thomas Rea and Mollie Hayward.*



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