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Who's Who Legal Awards

On 15 May 2017, the very best in the global legal market came together in London to celebrate each other's triumphs at the fourth annual Who's Who Legal awards ceremony.

Who's Who Legal was founded in 1997 – in the intervening 20 years it has grown to cover 34 practice areas over 150 countries, but the aim has remained the same: to select the leading lawyers across the world using the recommendations of their clients and peers.

The research is based on the feedback of those who have first-hand experience of the nominees' work, whether they have retained them, worked alongside them or opposed them.

The awards recognise the individuals and firms who have received more recommendations than any other. We honour those who excel in client service and go above and beyond to add value to matters, as reflected by their reputation in the global legal marketplace.

In this special awards issue, we profile the award winners and take a look at the gala evening enjoyed by all at Plaisterers' Hall in London.

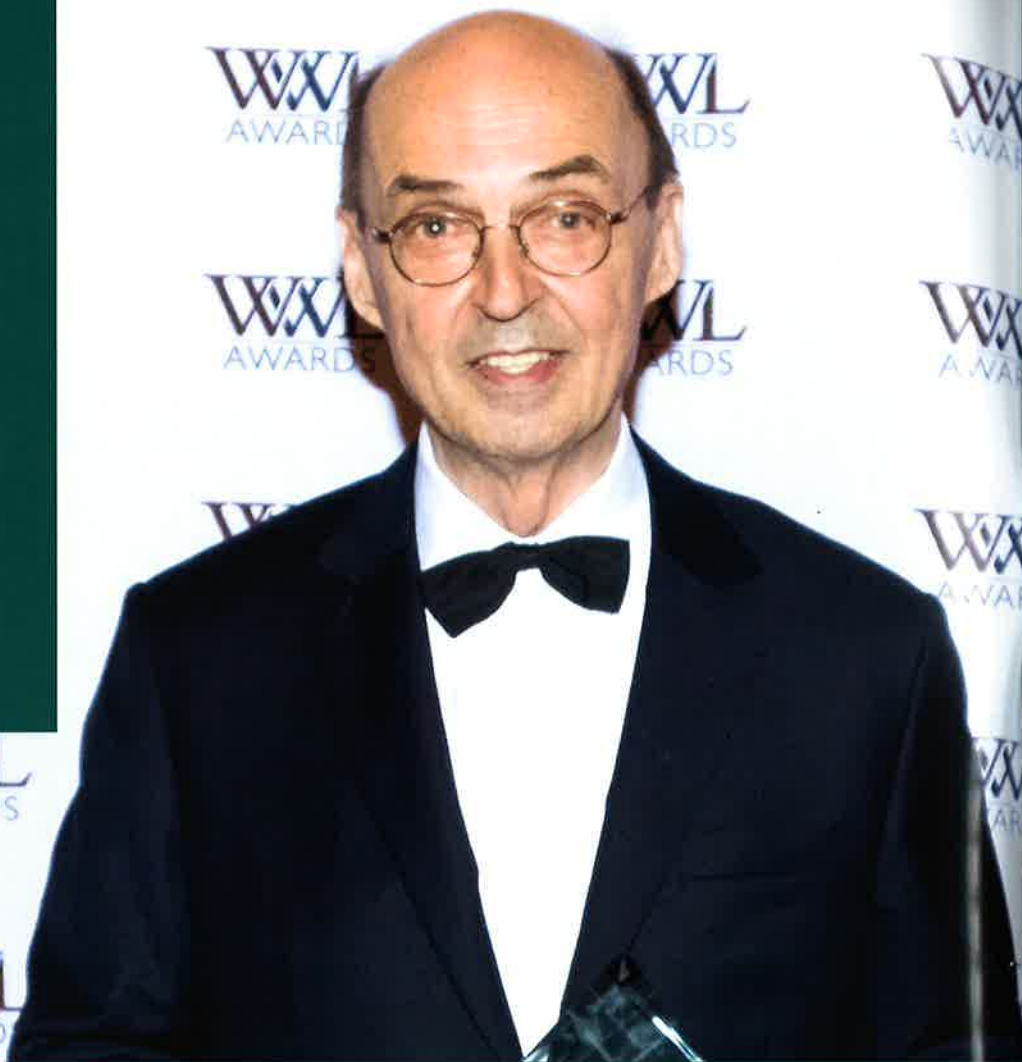
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Lawyer of the Year

Arbitration

Albert Jan van den Berg, *Hanotiau & van den Berg*

Taking this year's award ahead of his colleague and last year's winner, Bernard Hanotiau, is Professor Albert Jan van den Berg, who is described as a "star" and "quite simply one of the best in the world". He is on nearly a dozen arbitration panels in Europe, Asia and North America, and has been working in the area for almost 40 years. He wins this award for the seventh time.



Asset Recovery

Bettina Knoetzl, *KNOETZL*

Bettina Knoetzl is praised as a "simply outstanding litigator" with "a host of leading international clients", which include governments, companies and investor clients. Her skills in asset tracing and recovery are unsurpassed and we recognise her with the Asset Recovery Lawyer of the Year award.