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# Methodology

Welcome to the 2011 edition of the *Best of the Best*, the international legal market's leading guide to the top legal practitioners.

When first published in 1994, the Expert Guides were the first-ever guides dedicated to leading individuals in the legal industry. Since then we have continued to focus on individuals considered by clients and peers to be the best in their field. *The Best of the Best* compiles the top 25 practitioners in 19 areas of law. All the other practice areas we cover are included in the 2010 edition and will be updated in 2012. In the event of a tie on the number of nominations both practitioners are included.

The guides for each practice area are updated every two years. Our research process involves sending over 4,000 questionnaires to senior practitioners or in-house counsel involved in each practice area in over 60 jurisdictions, asking them to nominate leading practitioners based on their work and reputation. The results are analysed and screened for firm, network and alliance bias. The list of experts is then discussed and refined with advisers in legal centres worldwide.

These specialists have been independently offered the opportunity to enhance their listing with a professional biography. The biographies give readers valuable, detailed information regarding each lawyer's practice and, if appropriate, their work and clients.

We owe the success of this guide to all the in-house counsel and firms that completed questionnaires and met our researchers. Thank you. We hope you find the guide to be a useful tool. All information was believed to be correct at the time of going to press.

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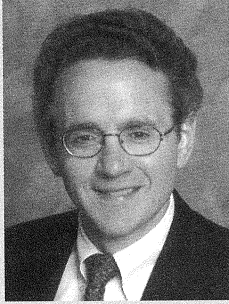
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