

ABOUT BLD

BLD, at www.onlineBLD.com is unique as the UK's first online directory of black minority ethnic lawyers and organisations with at least one black minority ethnic lawyer.

We have had positive wide media coverage, including features in the Times, Legal Week, the Voice and the Asian Times. We have also had wide support ranging from top City law firms, one of the largest set of Chambers in the country to Heads of Law of local government. We are also supported by the Minister of State for the Criminal Justice System and Offender Management, Patricia Scotland, QC as well as the Minister for Legal Services at the DCA, Bridget Prentice.

COST OF LISTING

This is free if you are a UK lawyer or a UK organisation with at least one Black minority ethnic lawyer or an organisation advertising job vacancies. Click here to [get listed](#) or click or copy the following link onto your browser: <http://www.onlinebld.com/RegisterIndividual.html>.

BENEFITS OF LISTING

Some of the benefits of registering include:

- A **free** profile.
- Ability to **instantly update your details** as soon as those details change.
- Showcase the **breadth and wealth of experience** of black minority ethnic lawyers.
- A dynamic and free **marketing and PR** tool with a potential worldwide circulation.
- Be a **positive role model** and inspiration for those considering a career in law or about to embark on their legal training.
- **Highlight diversity** or the lack of it
- **Networking** opportunities.
- **Post News and Events** free.

WHO ARE THE LAWYERS AND ORGANISATIONS ELIGIBLE FOR FREE LISTING?

The following UK lawyers are classified as lawyers in BLD:

- Solicitors (on the roll, whether or not practising solicitors)
- Barristers (whether or not practising barristers)
- Licensed Conveyancers with full or limited licence
- Registered European Lawyers (REL)
- Registered Foreign Lawyers (RFL)
- Fellows of the Institute of Legal Executives.

All organisations whether in private practice, commerce and industry, the public sector, academic institutions, charities or the not-for-profit sectors are eligible provided they have at least one black minority ethnic lawyer.

However, where you are not eligible for listing you can register to join our mailing list by using our quick email registration within our directory pages. To join our mailing list, [click here](#).

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO GET LISTED?

Registration will only take a few minutes and your information is saved once you click saved and finished. Also once you have completed the crucial information part of the registration you can save and finish and complete your full registration later. To save time you can upload your information in the form of a Vcard, if you have any. It is easy to save your contact information in Microsoft outlook as a Vcard.

YOUR LISTED PROFILE AND AMENDING OR UPDATING YOUR PROFILE

When you get listed, it is possible that when inputting your information, you will omit important information such as the type of organisation you are, the kind of work you do or any panel membership or you may make mistakes when inputting the information and realised this after saving and finishing your profile. Such omissions or mistakes can affect the result of any searches made if the information sought is missing from or incorrect in your profile.

However, you can correct this easily by amending or updating your information at anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by clicking the Members' Login icon (the pen) and then inputting your username (your email address) and your chosen unique password. To update your personal details and information click on the Account Details link - this is above your Contact Details and Address. Amend the relevant details and click update at the bottom of the page and your changes will be immediately made.

To amend or update information about your membership of panels, languages spoken, lawyer type and the type of work you undertake, click on "My Profile" link which is above your Contact Details and Address. Amend the relevant details and click update at the bottom of the page and your changes will be immediately made.

FORGOTTEN PASSWORDS

If you have forgotten your password, click on Members Login (the pen) and then click on the link: forgotten password. Input your email address and submit. Your password will be sent to you immediately.

SEARCHING FOR A LAWYER

Searches can be made using the Find a Lawyer search in the top right hand corner of each page, by location or type of law. Searches can also be made by using the keyword search which is next to the Members Login icon (pen) on every page.

FINDING YOUR WAY ROUND THE SITE

In the unlikely event that you are unable to easily find your way around the site, click on the Site Map link on the Homepage to find the location of the information you are seeking. You can also find the Site Map within our About Us pages.

FINDING JOBS AND THE CAREERS GUIDANCE AND ADVICE

Our site is fast populating with job vacancies. You can view the latest jobs either by clicking the latest jobs link on the homepage or view these latest jobs within our Jobs and Career pages using the navigation bar. To search for a specific job, use our Advanced Job Search facilities within the Jobs and Career pages.

Also within our Jobs and Careers pages law comes to life for budding lawyers and newly qualified lawyers alike with our case studies showcasing the breadth of experience of black minority ethnic lawyers from a Higher Court Advocate to a legal aid Lawyer, from the top City lawyer to the Court Legal Adviser. These pages are also packed with career advice and guidance from CVs to interviews hints and tips.

Do contact us if you would like to be one of our case studies.

VIEWING NEWS AND EVENTS AND UPLOADING YOUR EVENTS

The highlights of the latest news and events are on the sidebar of every page but the full details can be viewed within our News and Events pages.

Inform us of your news such as the appointment of new ethnic minority tenants, head of chambers, partners, associates and assistants.

If you are listed, it is free to upload your events. To upload your event, you need to be logged in using the Members Login icon (pen). Click on the News and Events blue Navigation Bar at the top of the page and this takes you to the News and Events Pages. Then choose Upload Event which takes you to the events calendar where you can upload your event by clicking the appropriate date on the calendar.

You can also view our top Lawyer of the Month within these pages where we showcase ethnic minority lawyers smashing the glass ceiling.

LINKS

We have provided extensive links, including of professional governing bodies for lawyers, the Inns of Court, government departments and agencies, black and minority ethnic groups and other bodies and organisations.

MORE ABOUT BLD SERVICES AND ABOUT BLD

To find out more about us and our services, click the navigation bar About Us where you will find information about our services. The Information includes extensive information Packs for Listing and Registration, Advertisers, Sponsorship and the General Information Pack, the latter is aimed at users of legal services, including businesses and members of the general public.

QUERIES AND CONTACTING US

For queries please read this email and our [Frequently Asked Questions](#) within the About Us pages. If your query remains unanswered, do email us at info@onlineBLD.com.

We hope to see you on-line soon!