

ARTHUR COX

Trainee Solicitors

Belfast Trainee Programme

Arthur Cox is one of the largest and most successful law firms on the island of Ireland. We provide a comprehensive service to a global client base ranging from multinational organisations, established global leaders, banks and financial institutions to government departments, state entities and new players in emerging industry sectors. Our international reputation is based on proven professional skills, a thorough understanding of client requirements, sound judgment and a practical approach to resolving commercial problems. We are an “all-island” law firm, with full-service offices in Belfast and Dublin. The firm also has offices in London and New York.

The Northern Ireland practice of Arthur Cox was established in January 1996. Since its inception, Arthur Cox has grown rapidly to become one of the foremost corporate and commercial legal practices in Northern Ireland, advising national and international clients in many different industries and sectors.

The Northern Ireland practice of Arthur Cox consists of the following departments:

- » Corporate
- » Litigation
- » Projects
- » Employment
- » Banking
- » Property
- » Environment & Planning

Trainee Solicitors at Arthur Cox Belfast

The Belfast Trainee Solicitor Programme combines legal education in Northern Irish law with daily hands-on exposure to practical legal issues. Trainee solicitors work in several different departments during the course of the Programme, with the potential to spend some time in our Dublin or London office.

Selection Process

The number of places on the Belfast Trainee Solicitor Programme varies from year to year (six in 2011 and five in 2010) and we welcome applications from all graduates. Applications should be made as set out below and should be received on or before **22 February 2012**.

We will make an initial selection of candidates for group interview. We aim to notify all applicants as soon as possible as to whether they have been included in this selection. Successful candidates will then be invited to attend a final individual interview. Any offer shall be subject to the relevant candidate being offered a place on either of (i) the Institute of Professional Legal Studies Solicitors' course or (ii) the Graduate School of Professional Legal Education, and satisfying any other criteria that we may specify from time to time.

How to Apply

Please:

1. Complete the application form in accordance with the notes below;
2. Include a current detailed curriculum vitae, a covering letter (no more than one page) and a recent photograph of yourself. Your letter should explain why you have chosen to apply for a career in law at Arthur Cox;
3. Complete the monitoring questionnaire (available from: www.arthurcox.com/belfast-trainee-programme-application.html) and return together with your application and in a separate envelope marked for the attention of the "Monitoring Officer at Arthur Cox"; and

4. Send the complete application to:

Catriona Gibson
Arthur Cox
Capital House
3 Upper Queen Street
Belfast BT1 6PU

Application Form Notes

The following notes relate numerically to the Application Form on the opposite page:

1. If you are normally called by a first name other than your formal first name, please make this clear.
2. Please provide the address(es) at which you may be contacted most readily between the closing date and the end of August. If there is more than one address, please provide the approximate dates relevant to each.
3. It is important that we can contact you by telephone during this process, so please provide the number(s) at which you can be contacted most reliably.
4. Please supply an e-mail address, but only if this is a reliable way to communicate with you.
5. Please list the academic qualifications which you either have or expect to have by September in the year of your application, noting the institutions at which they were earned.
6. The photograph is compulsory and is intended to help us identify you at and after group interview.

Application Form

Belfast Trainee Programme

1. Name: _____

2. Address (Term): _____

Address (Home): _____

3. Telephone (Term): _____

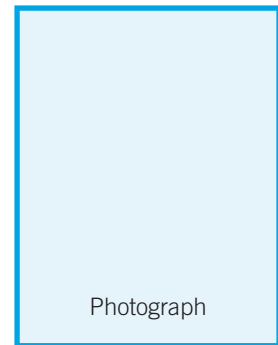
Telephone (Home): _____

Telephone (Mobile): _____

4. E-mail: _____

5. Academic Qualifications
and Universities attended: _____

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'Established as the leading banking and secured lending practice in Northern Ireland.'

Chambers UK: A Clients Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2011

'This has been a pre-eminent practice in the Northern Irish marketplace for many years.'

Chambers UK: A Clients Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2010

'An excellent, responsive and thorough outfit.'

Chambers UK: A Clients Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2010

'Earning glowing praise from market sources...'

Chambers UK: A Clients Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2010

'...displays complete commitment to the task at hand and offers an excellent service throughout.'

Chambers UK: A Clients Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2010

'Arthur Cox's "highly professional and efficient" team...'

The Legal 500: The Clients' Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2009

'...the "comprehensive service complements a great ability to get work done on an all-Ireland and international basis", thanks to a close relationship with the firm's offices in Dublin, London and New York.'

Chambers UK: A Clients Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2009

'The firm provides added value by being "ahead of the game" in notifying clients of all relevant legal and market developments.'

Chambers UK: A Clients Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2009

'Arthur Cox provides a "first-class and professional service".'

The Legal 500: The Clients' Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2009

'Clients say that as well as being "efficient, responsive and good at keeping clients up to date with changes in regulations", this firm offers "great value for money".'

Chambers UK: A Clients Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2009

'Clients praise the approach as "commercial and innovative, and the lawyers are accessible, responsive and proactive".'

Chambers UK: A Clients Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2009

'Sources praise the firm for its "prompt turnaround of work" and its "very high standard of client service".'

Chambers UK: A Clients Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2009

'...wins plaudits for "performing well ahead of expectation on response times and expertise"...'

The Legal 500: The Clients' Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2008

'Its excellent reputation has attracted both international work and referrals from English and Scottish firms.'

Chambers UK: A Clients Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2008

'One of the outstanding features of this team is that it "moves exceptionally quickly" to "provide a professional and efficient service that hits every deadline", say clients.'

Chambers UK: A Clients Guide to the UK Legal Profession, 2008