2024
LEGAL AID LAWYER
OF THE YEAR AWARDS

22nd YEAR

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NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!

Nominations close 22 April 2024 lapg.co.uk/laly-nomination

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- I. Legal Aid Newcomer
- 2. Legal Aid Support Staffer/ Support Team
- 3. Disability Rights
- 4. Family Legal Aid incl. Children's Rights
- 5. Criminal Defence
- 6. Legal Aid Barrister

- 7. Legal Aid Firm/ Not-for-Profit Agency
- 8. Regional Legal Aid Firm/ Not-for-Profit Agency
- 9. Housing Law
- 10. Social Welfare Law
- II. Public Law
- 12. Outstanding Achievement*

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