

COMPETITION DISPUTES ASSOCIATE FRENCH QUALIFIED | PERMANENT

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FOR THE CHALLENGE

If you would like to join an innovative team working on complex, international and high profile disputes whilst enjoying a close-knit, inclusive environment, a position at Hausfeld may be right for you. We are looking for someone to join us as a Competition Litigation Associate in London with a focus on our French client-base.

About Hausfeld

Hausfeld is a global disputes-only law firm with offices across the US, UK and the EU. The firm is renowned for bringing a visionary approach to resolving disputes in competition, commercial, tech, environmental, consumer and human rights law. The firm is a pioneer in the field of private enforcement of competition actions in Europe often against large corporate defendants, banks and big tech and has been a key player shaping the legal landscape. The leading directories, Chambers and Legal 500, recognise our lawyers for their expertise in competition, commercial, banking, civil liberties, environmental and group litigation as well as international arbitration. Our competition, commercial and environmental disputes teams are all award-winning.

In France, Hausfeld represents SMEs and corporates alike in major cases following on from competition law infringements. Hausfeld is also representing French businesses in other jurisdictions, including the Netherlands and the United Kingdom.

We represent businesses, public entities, institutional investors, shareholders, NGOs, class representatives and individuals - exclusively on the claimant side - including leading European and global brands in the automotive, retail and tech sector. We are at the forefront of collective redress and act for groups of businesses and consumers by bringing a growing number of collective claims in the UK as well as in Spain, Portugal and the Netherlands.

We can offer flexible fee and funding structures, allowing claimants to bring proceedings with reduced or no financial risk. We have strong relationships with leading litigation funders worldwide. Our commitment to access to justice means we also run an active pro-bono practice.

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Diversity

We are a gender diverse firm with over 45% female lawyers and 37% female partners and have an excellent track record of promoting women worldwide. This compares favourably to worldwide industry averages. In addition, 54% of the Global Management Group is made up of women, and the vast majority of our senior business professionals are women. The firm operates a distinct agile working policy which combines working from home with days in the office. Hausfeld is an Equal Opportunities Employer and committed to recruiting and retaining the best talent.

Role – Competition Disputes Associate – Permanent 5-6 PQE

We are looking for a high calibre competition litigator with excellent academics to join case teams in a client-facing role. The right candidate should have competition law experience – previous exposure to damages claims in the private enforcement of competition law is a huge plus.

Applicants should have strong legal project management skills and appetite, be a team-player and be keen to take on a considerable degree of autonomy and responsibility. You should have experience of, and be comfortable with, working in a client-facing role. European language skills are valued and international work is readily available.

The team is friendly and sociable and we genuinely believe in what we are trying to achieve as a firm. This makes Hausfeld a refreshing place to work.

Responsibilities:

- to take an active role on a portfolio of cases with a focus on our French clients, across industry sectors in the Competition Disputes practice. Contributing to strategic decision-making, as well as the day-to-day running of cases, are central to this role;
- dealing with clients directly, external counsel, economists and funders;
- to manage day-to-day operations on mass-scale collective proceedings in various European jurisdictions and supervise a 5+ team of more junior associates and paralegals,
- to contribute to settlement negotiations, at all stages of the litigation;
- to engage actively in business development including working up new ideas for claims – particularly in France – and contributing our thought leadership; and
- to contribute to the firms learning and development programme, including delivering training.

Essential attributes

As a specialist disputes only law firm, we recruit lawyers who share our commitment to delivering top-quality legal advice. Excellent academics and relevant work experience are important – but so is becoming an active part of our personable, inclusive, and supportive work environment. We recognise that a dynamic workforce is key in tackling modern legal challenges.

Candidates will have:

- French qualified;
- proven experience in competition law;
- strong experience managing large, complex projects involving multiple stakeholders; and
- excellent interpersonal skills.

Beneficial attributes

- fluent French speaking;
- pure competition litigation experience;
- experience of collective claims and/or group litigation;
- experience of acting for claimants in litigation;
- experience of litigation funding; and
- experience of working in international teams.

TO APPLY, please send a cover email outlining why you feel you would be an asset to the firm, including your CV to recruitment-london@hausfeld.com.

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