

FRANCHISE

In this year's research into the franchise legal market 11 outstanding lawyers are identified for their ability to assist franchisors and franchisees in matters such as system structuring, disputes and franchise agreements.

Most Highly Regarded

1. Olivia Gast

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Global Elite Thought Leader **Olivia Gast** of Gast Avocats is one of the foremost franchise lawyers in the French market. She offers specialist advice to clients on a range of matters from the creation to the full development of a franchising project.

Grégoire Toulouse of Taylor Wessing is a superb franchise lawyer who peers "really respect" and commend his "great experience in international network and expansion matters".

Frédéric Fournier of Redlink gains international recognition for his outstanding work in the field of franchise. He is adulated by respondents who applaud his "excellent business understanding".

Olivier Deschamps of Cabinet Linkea frequently advises and represents network leaders and franchisors. He

provides expert advice on the policy terms and wording of franchise agreements.

Olivier Binder of Herald is a top name in the franchise space who has specialist knowledge in the area of philanthropic trusts and foundations. One interviewee remarks: "He is a brilliant colleague and one of the key experts right now in France."

Julien Rivet of Berthezène Nevouet Rivet is "very active" in the franchise market, providing expert advice to franchise networks. He is also recommended for his impressive work in the contentious space.

François-Luc Simon of Simon Associés is widely recognised as an excellent franchise lawyer. He provides contentious and non-contentious services to institutional groups and retailers.

Gilles Menguy of GM Avocats continues to impress market commentators who

credit his excellent work when it comes to a spectrum of franchising matters from transactional to contractual and contentious work.

Simon Hotte of Fidal is a well-known name in the French market who receives high commendation for his ability to handle complex franchise and distribution matters.

Gerard Sautereau of Henry Sautereau is a well-recognised name in the international market who draws high praise from respondents for his top-tier franchise practice.

Rémi Delforge of Avocat au Barreau de Paris is well respected in the market and comes highly recommended by respondents for his work advising clients on franchising, distribution and international commercial networks.

DIRECTORY

Nominees have been selected based on comprehensive, independent survey work with both general counsel and private practitioners worldwide.

Only specialists who have met independent international research criteria are listed.

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