The Bar in Asia-Pacific

Bar coverage in the Asia-Pacific guide

The Chambers Asia-Pacific Guide includes coverage of the Bar in its Singapore, Australia, New Zealand and Papua New Guinea chapters. The Singapore and Papua New Guinea chapter include rankings for individual barristers, while the Australia and New Zealand chapters rank both barristers and sets and lists.

In addition to the country-level ranking tables, the guide also features barristers ranked at the Asia-Pacific Region level in two tables:

* International Arbitration - The Bar
* International Arbitration: Most in Demand Arbitrators

Chambers Asia-Pacific also features ranking tables for Senior Advocates in the India chapter and Independent Advocates in the Sri Lanka chapter.

The Greater China Region guide includes ranking tables for barristers called to the Hong Kong Bar.

Getting on the Chambers Ranking Radar

**General guidance**

The decision to rank barristers in the tables in the Chambers Asia-Pacific Guide is based on a number of factors. Of primary importance are:  
  
1. The volume, complexity and importance of work undertaken in the year prior to publication.   
  
2. Visibility and profile as reflected in the views of our many interviewees (clients, instructing solicitors and fellow barristers) who are asked to comment on a set's strength and its individual barristers' performance (whether on paper, in court or in conference) and, where appropriate, on a set’s collective strength in the market.  
  
Individuals are included in our rankings when they have received sufficient positive comment. The factors mentioned above also determine the relative positions allotted in the tables.

**Chapter specific guidance**

**Asia-Pacific Region**

For the Asia-Pacific Region International Arbitration: The Bar and Asia-Pacific Region: Arbitration: Most in Demand Arbitrators tables, we accept submissions from barristers based full-time in the region and from barristers based outside the region but who demonstrate a strong focus upon Asia-Pacific related arbitration.

**Australia**

The Australia chapter divides coverage of The Bar into nine practice area tables. We accept separate submissions for each of these tables.

The Dispute Resolution: The Bar table includes rankings for both lists and sets as well as individual barristers. The set rankings in this section are determined based upon the band and number of rankings achieved by member barristers both within this section and across the other eight bar tables.

**New Zealand**

For the New Zealand Bar we have a single submission process and ask that one submission is uploaded that covers Dispute Resolution: The Bar and the practice area sub-tables for Intellectual Property, White-Collar Crime, High Net Worth and Tax.

**Singapore**

For the Singapore: Dispute Resolution: Arbitration: The Bar and Singapore Dispute Resolution: Most in Demand Arbitrators tables we consider barristers based full-time in Singapore and those whose primary base is overseas but who demonstrate a strong focus upon Singapore-related arbitration.

Chambers Bar: Submission Guidelines

We encourage sets to prepare submissions to assist with our research. Although these are optional and not a prerequisite for inclusion, they serve a dual function:

* Submissions tell us about the work of individuals at the set, both those previously ranked and those whom the set believes should be considered for inclusion in a practice area for the first time. They attest to the continuing activity of individuals, ensure accuracy of factual information and guard against publication of confidential matters. **Each** **barrister can put forward up to 5 cases for consideration**.
* Submissions provide us with referee contacts that our researchers can use to obtain informed views on the members of chambers and their work. **Each barrister can put forward up to 5 references per section.**

**Referees**

* On the referee sheet, **the name of the barrister(s) for whom the referee is being put forward should be included in the ‘Referring lawyer’ column** on the spreadsheet. Where a referee is put forward for multiple barristers, please include multiple names separated by commas.
* We generally advise that the main focus for the referee list should be upon instructing solicitors, although we do also welcome other types of referee that the barrister may have worked with recently.
* Please note that stablemates from within the same set or list should not be put forward as referees.

Each set is provided with a username and password with which to upload its submissions. We ask that**a single submission document be uploaded for each practice area**. This applies whether or not the set or its barristers have been ranked before. Additionally, you may put the referee contacts on separate spreadsheets for each practice area.

The [Research Schedule](https://chambers.com/research/research-schedule) shows the deadline for each submission.

Please note:

* The online submissions site only allows a single submission document and a single spreadsheet of referees to be uploaded for each practice area. If having uploaded it is absolutely necessary to make an amendment, please send the revised document to [enquiries@chambers.com](mailto:enquiries@chambers.com) to inform our editorial assistants of the details of the revision.
* If you do not have a username and password for your set, please contact our Enquiries Team.