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## Job Description

# Solicitor

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Deadline: **Rolling**

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### Overview:

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**Role:** Solicitor  
**Salary:** £50k-onwards  
**Experience:** NQ & Experienced  
**Location:** Warrington, Cheshire  
**Team:** Legal  
**Hours:** 36.25 (weekly)  
**Deadline:** Rolling

### Enquiries:

Head of Legal, Dylan Houghton,  
[dylan.houghton@pcdsolicitors.co.uk](mailto:dylan.houghton@pcdsolicitors.co.uk)

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### About Us:

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PCD Solicitors are a nationwide criminal defence firm, specialising in defending and appealing false allegations of sexual crimes.

Founded in 2020, we have been recognised as one of the leading specialist criminal defence firms in England and Wales, advising clients on some of the most complex and serious criminal cases.

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### Description:

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We are recruiting experienced and recently-qualified solicitors to join our growing legal team, based new offices in the North West of England.

This is an outstanding opportunity for ambitious and talented legal professionals to grow and develop their career at a new, open and innovative firm at the forefront of English criminal law.

Successful applicants will play an important role in advising clients on complex and challenging criminal cases, ranging from allegations of rape and sexual assault to historic abuse and possession of indecent images.

New staff will benefit from support and guidance from our established legal and operations teams, as well as an ongoing programme of training and development.

Outstanding performers will have the opportunity to grow with the firm at a time of major and ongoing national expansion, with routes for promotion, travel, media work, professional development, and additional business responsibilities.

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### Responsibilities:

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PCD Solicitors routinely advise clients at every stage of a criminal case, guaranteeing a varied and interesting programme of legal work, including:

- **Business:** Managing and maintaining relationships with clients facing a range of sensitive and complex cases;
- **Representation:** Attending police station interviews and hearings at the magistrates' court;
- **Evidence:** Reviewing police and prosecution evidence, submitting defence statements, compiling defence evidence, and managing witness and forensic materials;
- **Liaison:** Liaising with investigating officers, defence and prosecution barristers, and forensic experts;
- **General:** Managing and updating case files, researching and monitoring legislation, regulations and statutory changes, attending client conferences and meetings, and collaborating with other members of the legal team.

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### Applications:

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Applications can be made by sending a CV and brief introductory statement to '[dylan.houghton@pcdsolicitors.co.uk](mailto:dylan.houghton@pcdsolicitors.co.uk).'

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### Qualifications:

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- Qualified status as a solicitor or legal executive

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### Experience & Skills:

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#### Essential:

- Experience of roles within a law firm or legal department as a solicitor, paralegal, or other legal professional;
- Comprehensive understanding of criminal law, with an interest in sexual offence defence;
- Conscientious approach to collaboration, problem solving, and working to deadlines;
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills;
- An patient and conciliatory attitude to client care and professional relationships;
- Working knowledge of Microsoft Suite (Word, Outlook etc).

#### Desirable:

- Experience of using LEAP, and/ or other legal systems;
- Experience of police interviews and the magistrates' court;
- Knowledge or experience of sexual offence defence or prosecution.