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SCOOPS
MAJOR LAWYER
AWARD**

Pictured - Watson Esam Partners
(L- R) Kate Fitzpatrick, Michelle Cooper,
Toby Netting, Jay Bhayani

Following a recommendation in this year's Legal 500, 2007 continues to be a glorious year for the family department at Watson Esam Solicitors of Paradise Square in Sheffield. At a glittering ceremony hosted by Gaynor Barnes in Ripley Castle, Harrogate on 26th September, the department was awarded the prestigious Yorkshire Lawyer Private Client award for 2007. Known as the premier event in the Yorkshire Legal Calendar, Yorkshire Lawyer Awards are hotly contested in the region, and Watson Esam is absolutely delighted, not only to be recognised for the continued success of its family department, but also to be the only firm in South Yorkshire to win an award.

Michelle Cooper, head of the family law team said "I cannot congratulate the department enough. We have a superb team who work tirelessly to deliver first class services to our clients, consistently hitting above our weight and enabling us to stay at the forefront of family legal services in

Sheffield. We have grown significantly over the last decade and have developed our expertise in high profile, high worth matrimonial work, offering specialist services such as asset division on divorce and pension splits to professionals, company owners and self employed people. At the same time we have worked to ensure that we stay ahead of the game in relation to the proposed changes to family legal aid to ensure that quality legal aid services are there for those who need it. We are delighted that our efforts have been recognised and shall be having a celebration with the whole firm before the week is out".

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