

Director of Finance and Operations

The Law Society of Ireland is the professional body of the solicitors' profession in Ireland. It is committed to providing the highest standard of service to its growing membership, students, stakeholders and members of the public. The Law Society of Ireland has representative, regulatory and educational functions in respect of the solicitors' profession. It delivers high-quality legal education and training, encourages and supports the highest professional standards, and places significant emphasis on civic engagement, supporting local community initiatives and driving diversity and inclusion within the profession.

The Law Society is now seeking to appoint a Director of Finance and Operations to lead the Society's Finance and Operations Department and be a member of the Senior Management Team.

Reporting to the Director General, the role provides strategic leadership and direction to the Society across finance, risk management, operational and commercial activities.

The primary objective of the Finance and Operations Department is the efficient management of the Society's finances and operations, such as facilities and information technology.

Other key responsibilities of the role include:

- Leading a 'best in class' finance function, driving innovation, efficiency and effectiveness in all financial operations.
- Assessing overall financial risks and opportunities for the organisation as well as ensuring value for all operational and capital spending.
- Providing strategic direction and financial oversight for capital development projects, commercial services and sustainability initiatives.
- Offering strategic advice and support to the Law Society Council and relevant Committees including Finance, Education and Regulation of Practice.
- Overseeing the estate management, which includes facilities, commercial services, sustainability, and coordinating major site development projects.
- Ensuring that IT resources are aligned to support the Society's strategic objectives.

As a member of the Senior Management Team, the new appointee will play an important role in the development and delivery of the Society's strategic objectives.

The ideal candidate will be a senior finance professional, highly experienced in developing and implementing financial and operational strategies. The new Director will bring a blend of strong communication, people and leadership skills. They will also have the strategic and relationship management expertise required to manage a dynamic and complex environment involving a range of internal and external stakeholders.

This is a unique and exciting opportunity to contribute to the Law Society of Ireland's continued success as an effective professional body, ensuring it is well positioned to meet current and future challenges and opportunities

It is anticipated that this appointment will be made in April 2022.

To discuss the opportunity, please contact Katie Boyne, PwC Executive Search on 087 1826817.

To apply, please send a CV and a personal statement outlining your interest in and fit for the role to PwC Executive Search at: ie_finlawsoc_mailbox@pwc.com