

Angelo Paparelli once again named Corporate Immigration Lawyer of the Year

Angelo Paparelli of Seyfarth Shaw LLP has been named Corporate Immigration Lawyer of the Year 2009 in the Who's Who Legal Awards for a third time.

Editor in chief Callum Campbell said, "In a highly competitive field, retaining the *Who's Who Legal* Corporate Immigration Lawyer of the Year Award is an outstanding achievement. The consistently positive feedback we received recognises Angelo Paparelli's exceptional level of performance and service to clients. We have no hesitation in once again declaring him the leading lawyer for Corporate Immigration expertise".

With the benefit of over eleven years of independent research, Who's Who Legal used the thousands of nominations it has received from clients and private practice professionals to identify the leading firm and individual in 30 areas of law, as well as the top firms in over 50 countries and five US states. The winners were formally announced in *The International Who's Who of Business Lawyers 2009*, a compendium edition of all the individual Who's Who Legal publications, which was released in May, covering 30 practice areas and over 100 countries.

The awards are based on a number of factors, including the feedback received in the ongoing research process, past performance in the research and the overall aggregate number of weighted votes cast in their favour. In addition, the awards also identify the overall leading firm in more than 50 countries and five US states.

The compendium edition is distributed free of charge to thousands of corporate counsel and private practice lawyers from around the world. The information is also available on www.WhosWhoLegal.com and is updated daily.

In 2008, Who's Who Legal was named the Strategic Research Partner of the ABA Section of International Law, in addition to its position as Official Research Partner of the International Bar Association. In 2006, Who's Who Legal's parent company Law Business Research was recognised by The Queen's Award for Enterprise in the area of international trade. These awards are the most prestigious a British company can receive.

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Notes to Editors:

- Research for each practice area publication is conducted through conversations with private practice lawyers of repute in the practice area in question and in related fields, as well as with general counsel
- Subsequent telephone and face-to-face interviews are conducted internationally to permit the refining of the listing to a selection of between 100 and 600 lawyers who, by general agreement, are considered the pre-eminent lawyers in the field
- It is impossible to buy entry into this publication, only lawyers who have met independent international research criteria are listed
- The International Who's Who of Business Lawyers 2009 acts as a reference source for purchasers of legal services seeking to corroborate the reputations of expert lawyers recommended to them by another party

- Who's Who Legal aims to reduce the short-term costs incurred in finding a lawyer, but more significantly, to minimise the transactional expense and risk of receiving poor counsel

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