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CDH thanks clients for their feedback, which contributed to our exceptional Chambers Global 2025 rankings







CDH is honoured to have received significant new and improved rankings in the latest edition of Chambers Global. Chambers and Partners have published guides to the legal profession since 1990, and identify and rank the world's best lawyers and law firms based on in-depth, objective research. We are proud to be recognised as world-class with rankings assessed on criteria that includes technical legal ability, professional conduct, client service, commercial awareness/astuteness, diligence, commitment, and other qualities that our clients consider relevant. CDH is honoured to have met these criteria resulting in the following new and improved rankings:



Tim Fletcher, Dispute Resolution Director and Chairperson, was ranked by Chambers Global 2025 as an 'Eminent Practitioner', a category in which lawyers are ranked as highly influential lawyers and exceptional individuals.



Sammy Ndolo, Managing Partner of our Kenyan office, moves from Band Four into Band Three in 'Banking & Finance'. Sammy enters the FinTech rankings table in Band Three.



Megan Rodgers, Head of our Oil & Gas sector, enters the 'Projects & Energy' rankings table in Band Four.



Vivien Chaplin, Head of our Mining & Minerals sector, enters the 'Energy & Natural Resources: Mining' rankings table in Band Four.



Alex Kanyi, Tax & Exchange Control Partner in our Kenyan office, enters the Tax rankings table as 'Up & Coming'.



Anja Hofmeyr, Director in our Dispute Resolution practice, moves from 'Up & Coming' into Band Five in 'Dispute Resolution'.



Dave Pinnock, Director in our Corporate & Commercial practice, enters the 'Corporate/M&A' rankings table in Band Five.



Martha Mbugua, Corporate & Commercial Partner in our Kenyan office, enters the 'Corporate/M&A' rankings table in Band Four.



Njeri Wagacha, Corporate & Commercial Partner in our Kenyan office, enters the 'Corporate/M&A' rankings table in Band Four. Njeri moves up from Band Three into Band Two in FinTech.



Timothy Smit, Director in our Dispute Resolution practice, enters the 'Corporate Investigations' rankings table in Band Three.

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Congratulations to the following practice areas/sectors:



South Africa | Our Employment Law practice moves into Band One, which is the highest ranked band in Chambers.



South Africa | Our Administrative & Public Law practice moves from Band Three into Band Two.



Kenya | Our Banking & Finance practice enters the rankings table in Band Four.



Kenya | Our Corporate/M&A practice moves from Band Four to Band Three.



Kenya | Our Intellectual Property practice enters the rankings table in Band Three.

Brent Williams, CEO of CDH says, "We would like to express our sincere gratitude to our clients for the invaluable, thoughtful, and open feedback that they provided to the Chambers Global research team. As client referee feedback plays a crucial role in the rankings process, this latest recognition is a testament not only to the dedication of our team but also to the strong, enduring relationships we have built with clients across Africa. We are deeply thankful for the trust that our clients place in us every day, and we remain committed to delivering the highest level of service from vision to fruition."

Sammy Ndolo, Managing Partner of our Kenyan office agrees, "As we continue to strive for excellence, our unwavering commitment to delivering the highest quality legal services across Africa remains at the forefront of everything we do. We take pride in being a client-centric firm, consistently placing our clients' needs at the centre of what we do. Our focus is always on providing specialised and comprehensive legal support to clients located in Africa or looking to do business across the continent. With our extensive experience and in-depth understanding of diverse markets, we are a recognised enabler of business success in Africa."



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CDH's top-tier rankings are detailed in full here:

Band One ranked practices – Chambers Global 2025	
Corporate/M&A	
Employment	
Real Estate	
Tax	

Band One ranked experts – Chambers Global 2025	
Chris Charter	Competition/Antitrust
Clive Rumsey	Construction
lan Hayes	Corporate/M&A
Aadil Patel	Employment
John Webber	Real Estate
Emil Brincker	Tax

Administrative & Public Law Banking & Finance Capital Markets: Debt Capital Markets: Equity Competition/Antitrust Construction Dispute Resolution Energy & Natural Resources: Mining IT & Telecoms Restructuring/Insolvency FinTech	Band Two ranked practices – Chambers Global 2025
Capital Markets: Debt Capital Markets: Equity Competition/Antitrust Construction Dispute Resolution Energy & Natural Resources: Mining IT & Telecoms Restructuring/Insolvency	Administrative & Public Law
Capital Markets: Equity Competition/Antitrust Construction Dispute Resolution Energy & Natural Resources: Mining IT & Telecoms Restructuring/Insolvency	Banking & Finance
Competition/Antitrust Construction Dispute Resolution Energy & Natural Resources: Mining IT & Telecoms Restructuring/Insolvency	Capital Markets: Debt
Construction Dispute Resolution Energy & Natural Resources: Mining IT & Telecoms Restructuring/Insolvency	Capital Markets: Equity
Dispute Resolution Energy & Natural Resources: Mining IT & Telecoms Restructuring/Insolvency	Competition/Antitrust
Energy & Natural Resources: Mining IT & Telecoms Restructuring/Insolvency	Construction
IT & Telecoms Restructuring/Insolvency	Dispute Resolution
Restructuring/Insolvency	Energy & Natural Resources: Mining
	IT & Telecoms
FinTech	Restructuring/Insolvency
	FinTech

Band Two ranked experts – Chambers Global 2025	
Peter Hesseling	Corporate/M&A
Fiona Leppan	Employment
Imraan Mahomed	Employment
Allan Reid	Energy & Natural Resources: Mining
Njeri Wagacha Kenya	FinTech
Shem Otanga Kenya	Intellectual Property
David Pinnock	Private Equity

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Band Three ranked practices – Chambers Global 2025	
Corporate Investigations	
Corporate/M&A Kenya	
Environment	
Insurance	
Intellectual Property Kenya	

Band Three ranked experts – Chambers Global 2025	
Jacquie Cassette	Administrative & Public Law
Sammy Ndolo Kenya	Banking & Finance and FinTech
Peter Hesseling	Capital Markets: Equity
Joe Whittle	Construction
Andrew van Niekerk	Construction
Timothy Smit	Corporate Investigations
Willem Jacobs	Corporate/M&A
Simone Dickson	IT & Telecommunications
Willem Jacobs	Private Equity
Muhammad Gattoo	Real Estate
Stephan Spamer	Tax

Band Four ranked practices – Chambers Global 2025
Banking & Finance Kenya
Projects & Energy

Band Four ranked experts – Chambers Global 2025	
Deon Wilken	Banking & Finance
Martha Mbugua Kenya	Corporate/M&A
Njeri Wagacha Kenya	Corporate/M&A
Sammy Ndolo Kenya	Corporate/M&A
Andries le Grange	Competition/Antitrust
Lucinde Rhoodie	Dispute Resolution
Vivien Chaplin	Energy & Natural Resources: Mining
Megan Rodgers	Projects & Energy
Nastascha Harduth	Restructuring/Insolvency

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Band Five ranked experts – Chambers Global 2025	
Albert Aukema	Competition/Antitrust
David Pinnock	Corporate/M&A
David Thompson	Corporate/M&A
Vivien Chaplin	Corporate/M&A
Clive Rumsey	Dispute Resolution
Anja Hofmeyr	Dispute Resolution

Recognitions – Chambers Global 2025	
Megan Rogers	Foreign Expertise Based Abroad In South Africa Spotlight General Business Law - Namibia
Ludwig Smith	Senior Statesperson Banking & Finance
Gerhard Badenhorst	Spotlight Tax: Indirect Tax

Up & Coming – Chambers Global 2025	
Jackwell Feris	Dispute Resolution
Alex Kanyi Kenya	Tax
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