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Leeds solicitors Cohen Cramer added another feather in their cap after winning the Regional Firm of the Year award in the Crime, Fraud and Licensing Category of The Legal 500 Awards.

This prestigious award, presented by the leading annual guide to law firms across the UK, confirms the practice's position as the expert and regional market leader in this area of law.

John Goodwin, Cohen Cramer Director and Head of the Crime, Fraud and Licensing Department, said that he was delighted and honoured by the recognition of his team.

"I am delighted that we have been awarded the accolade of financial fraud and licensing regional firm of the year. It really is a testament to what I believe is our hard work and commitment to our clients. I am honoured that we are regularly asked to represent clients in connection with serious matters of large financial fraud and that we receive many referrals from other solicitors, counsel, accountants and various different professionals.

"I have always said that you do not succeed in this area of work without total dedication and professionalism and the award is a testament to my colleagues at the practice, Mark Jackson, Kevin Ripley, Lucy Ryczany, Sue Fox and the dedicated confiscation team of Helen Lynch, John Hera, Lauren Bowkett and Leah Arksey.

"The work is rich and satisfying but we must never forget the massive faith our clients show towards us in entrusting us with these very difficult cases," added Mr Goodwin.