

# Law firm listed in lofty company

THE Southport-based family law firm, Jones Mitchell Lawyers, has been officially recognised as the Gold Coast's leading family law firm in the 2016 prestigious Doyle's Legal List.

Doyle's is the industry's most respected guide to Australia's best legal firms and lawyers.

The specialist firm made it into the elite rankings as the Gold Coast's only first-tier law firm, ahead of its second-tier ranking last year.

Jones Mitchell Lawyers partners Rick Jones and Dan Bottrell were also individually recognised as the Coast's only pre-eminent family

lawyers - the highest accolade awarded to individual practitioners.

Mr Jones who co-founded Jones Mitchell Lawyers in 1990, said he was humbled by the results and grateful for the formal recognition afforded to his firm's lawyers.

He said in the early days, the firm was Queensland's first law firm to specialise in family and matrimonial law and now handled a large number of very complex family law and de facto matters.

"While other firms have been focused on expanding their client base, our focus

has been in the recruitment, motivation and training of the best lawyers," Mr Jones said.

"That always has been and will continue to be our primary goal. It is the only way to provide the most valuable outcome for our family law clients."

Consultant to the firm, Kathy Atkins, also earned a recommended status in the prestigious guide.

An accomplished family law practitioner, Kathy now spends much of her time mentoring Jones Mitchell's family lawyers and teaching at Bond University School of Law.



Kathy Atkins, Dan Bottrell, Rick Jones and Shaunaun Braz of Jones Mitchell Lawyers.

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