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Southport law firm Jones Mitchell Lawyers' partner Dan Bottrell with a client.

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# Lawyers' excellence recognised

SOUTHPORT-BASED Jones Mitchell Lawyers has been recognised as being among Queensland's leading family-law practices in the 2015 prestigious Doyle's Legal List.

According to the latest pre-eminent guide to Australia's best legal firms and lawyers, the Gold Coast firm has joined the rankings as a second-tier leading law firm.

This is ahead of its recommended status last year.

Founding partner Rick Jones was individually recommended, as was young partner Dan Bottrell.

Mr Jones said the listings were formal recognition of the high level of skill and capability of the Gold Coast firm in its handling of complex family-law matters.

"This is a significant achievement and independent recognition of the quality of our work in resolving complex family-law issues with dignity," he said.

"Inclusion in the coveted Doyle's Guide shows the level of respect, professionalism and expertise our firm has earned among colleagues and peers."

Jones Mitchell Lawyers is the Gold Coast's longest-standing specialist family-law firm and works with clients and other lawyers to resolve family law disputes throughout Australia and overseas.

The firm was established on the Gold Coast in 1990 by co-founder and partner Rick Jones and claims to be the first Queensland law firm to specialise in family and matrimonial law.

Doyle's Legal List is compiled annually on the back of extensive telephone and face-to-face interviews with clients, peers and industry bodies.

Southport-based law firm Small Myers Hughes also received recognition in the 2015 guide.