

Role profile

Board or Committee name	Business Law Committee
Purpose of the Board or Committee and how it supports ICAEW's Strategy	The Business Law Committee supports ICAEW in its mission to help improve the regulatory environment in the UK for the benefit of our members and wider society. Good regulation is an essential foundation for ICAEW's strategic goals. We focus on how the UK's regulatory regime is supposed to work, where it succeeds, where it fails and how it could be improved, drawing on practical examples and insights from Committee members. Our insights help ICAEW shape its policy positions on the UK's regulatory environment and provide a broader perspective to other areas of ICAEW when they consider changes to regulation in specific sectors. We aim always to act in the public interest.
Role name	Committee Member
Eligibility	We welcome applications from ICAEW members and non-members
Purpose of the role	We are looking for committee members who will bring additional skills and perspectives to the Committee to help it meet the objectives outlined above. For instance, you may: – Be knowledgeable about the UK regime and help improve our understanding of this complex subject – Be involved in rulemaking or enforcement (eg local government) – Work in a large or complex business where regulation has an important impact (for better or worse) – Work in a small business where regulation has an important impact – Belong to a body or network with similar interests in good regulation – Have experience of international regulation (eg through a multinational business) – Have ideas on how the UK regime could be improved in practice.

What you might gain from the role	This is an opportunity for you to help ICAEW in its work on improving the UK's regulatory regime. You will be able to learn more about the regime (which is not widely understood) from experts on the Committee and guest participants and your insights will help inform our policies on reform. The Committee also gives a window into ICAEW's work on changes to law and regulation across a variety of sectors and an opportunity to network with ICAEW members and others.
Attributes sought from candidates	We are looking for at least one new Committee member who is an ICAEW member in business with practical experience in one or more fields of regulation. We would especially welcome applications from those who work in SMEs. You do not need to have extensive knowledge about the mechanics of the regime but should have an interest in how regulation impacts your business and a willingness to express your view on the subject. If you participate in other bodies, eg trade bodies/industry groups, this will be of interest as we want to continue developing our networks and links to others with similar objectives. If you do not meet the criteria noted above (eg are not an ICAEW member) but are nevertheless interested in participating in the Committee, please feel free to contact the Secretary (using contact details below).
Time commitment sought from candidates:	We normally hold 4 meetings a year of two hours each. We may hold additional meetings (or meetings of sub-groups) if circumstances require but these are likely to be infrequent. If input is needed between meetings, this will usually be by email.
Meeting location:	Most meetings will be held virtually, but we expect to hold at least one meeting a year in person. <i>Adjustments can be made to ensure everyone can participate equitably in the meetings and in the recruitment process. For example, we provide step-free access for in-person attendees and activate automatic closed captions for online meetings.</i>
Remuneration:	The role is unpaid. We will reimburse reasonable expenses to attend meetings, in line with the relevant policy.

Term of office	Three years, renewable once (i.e. max 6 years). This appointment would begin from the date of the ICAEW Annual Meeting in June 2026.
Key dates	All applications must be submitted by 6 February 2026 Shortlisting and interviews will take place between 11 Feb 2026 – 13 March 2026 Any appointments will be confirmed by 22 May 2026. Unsuccessful candidates will be informed as soon as practicable.
Contact details for application	Laura.Hough@icaew.com <i>If you require any adjustments during the application process, please contact us in the first instance. For example, you may ask for information in alternative formats or have interviews at times of day.</i> <i>This is not an exhaustive list, please let us know what we can reasonably do to best accommodate your needs.</i>