

# HERBERT SMITH FREEHILLS WINS GLOBAL INNOVATION AWARD FROM LEGAL TECHNOLOGY LEADER RELATIVITY

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One of the world's largest legal technology companies has named Herbert Smith Freehills' CheckMate application as the Best Innovation by a law firm this year.

Developed by the firm's Alternative Legal Services (ALT) team, the CheckMate app won the award at Relativity Fest last night. Relativity Fest is one of the largest eDiscovery conferences held each year, with its prestigious innovation awards attracting many submissions. Relativity's market-leading legal technology platform is used by more than 13,000 organisations in 48 countries, and the firm has been using it since 2013.

CheckMate simplifies the legal review and eDiscovery process through the automatic capture of data allowing for streamlined quality assurance processes. The data can be tracked, analysed and reported as visual charts and graphs, saving time and driving down costs for clients.

Herbert Smith Freehills has led the legal market on the development of a global eDiscovery platform to meet client demand in the delivery of eDiscovery and legal review services. ALT Australia and Asia's Head of eDiscovery and Legal Technology, [Arjuna Guruge](#), commented: "CheckMate is one of many applications ALT has developed to address unique eDiscovery and review challenges, to automate and streamline the ALT team's process efficiency and provide innovative solutions for our clients."

ALT Australia's Head of Technical Operations, Thomas Maple, also spoke with pride about the contribution to this award made by ALT's application development team, led by Gordon Boath: "Gordon's creative team certainly sets us apart in the legal technology market."

Associate Director for Herbert Smith Freehills' ALT team in Australia, [Sarah d'Oliveyra](#), said the win was a clear demonstration of the firm's commitment to innovation: "It is an honour for our firm and our people to be recognised for the effective solutions we are developing to drive efficiencies for our clients."

"CheckMate is the result of a collaborative effort in the firm between ALT's application development team, eDiscovery and legal teams and is testament to our firm's enthusiasm for practical innovation that delivers tangible value for our clients every day."

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