

Wills drafting

We provide a fixed fee service for the preparation of wills.

- £200.00 for 1 Will (Plus VAT)
- £350.00 for 2 Wills (Plus VAT)
- £140.00 for a Codicil (Plus VAT)

Probate

We anticipate this will take between 15 and 20 hours work at £190 per hour plus VAT, depending upon which member of staff works on your matter. Total costs estimated at £2,850- £3,800 plus VAT.

The exact cost will depend on the individual circumstances of the matter. A more detailed quote can be provided upon request

We will handle the full process for you. This quote is for estates where:

- There is a valid uncontested will
- There are no more than 5 bank or building society accounts
- There is only one property
- There are less than 5 beneficiaries
- There is no inheritance tax payable, and the executors do not need to submit a full account to HMRC
- There are no claims made against the estate

Disbursements not included in this fee:

- Probate application fee of £155 plus 50p for every sealed copy of the Grant thereafter
- £7 Swearing of the oath (per executor)
- Bankruptcy-only Land Charges Department searches (£2 per beneficiary)
- £78 plus VAT post in The London Gazette (s.27 Trustee Act Notice)

How long will this take and key stages?

- Identifying estate property, establishing a summary of the deceased's assets as at the date of death including a valuation of the deceased's assets and liabilities for estate and

tax purposes and preparing the appropriate HMRC inheritance tax account: 3-6 months from instruction

- Establishing the basis for testamentary or other dispositions, preparing the relevant Oath for the personal representatives and submitting the application for the Grant to the Probate Registry of the High Court: 3-6 months.
- Collection of estate assets, payment of estate liabilities and testamentary legacies and distribution of residuary estate: 6-9 months.
- Estate accounts and income tax reports and returns: 6-12 months

Experience and qualifications of private client staff

- Prakash Modi qualified as a Solicitor in 2003 and has over 15 years' experience in this area.

Private Family and Children Matter

We are a Legal aid providers in family and childcare law. However, if you do not qualify for legal aid, we charge hourly rates for advice, assistance and representation in privately paid for family matters. Our charge out rates are as follows:

- Senior Solicitor and Director Chargeable Hourly rate: £190 plus VAT
- Associate Solicitor Chargeable hourly rate: £175 plus VAT
- Assistant Solicitor Chargeable hourly rate: £145 plus VAT
- Trainee Solicitor Chargeable hourly rate: £125 plus VAT
- Legal Clerk Chargeable hourly rate: £100 plus VAT

In general, costs are likely to be as follows:-

- For a straightforward divorce, it is unlikely that the total costs will be less than £1300 plus VAT and the costs will be more if there are problems with the other person co-operating or if the divorce is contested. The Court fees are currently £550.00 to issue the petition.
- In domestic violence injunctions, when two Court hearings are required, depending on whether it is easy to serve the other person with the Court documents, it is unlikely to cost less than £3,000.
- If there is a dispute about where children are to live and/or how often one parent is to see the children, and the case proceeds to a final hearing without an agreement being reached, the total costs are unlikely to be less than £5,000. A complex case may cost even more. If the case settles at an early stage, the total costs are much less.
- If there is a dispute about financial matters, and the case proceeds to a final hearing without an agreement being reached, the total costs are unlikely to be less than £8,000 to £11,000. A complex case may cost even more. If the case settles at an early stage, the total costs are much less.