



### The Team

To meet our Private Client Team, please see the [Our Team page on our website](#).

As part of our initial review of the work we are going to undertake, we will ensure that your work is carried out by a member of the team with a suitable level of expertise. We will also provide an estimate for the costs, broken down by time needed to complete the work to be carried out. This will be charged on an hourly basis. If needed, we will provide you with updates as and when necessary in relation to time and costs incurred so that you are always informed of the level of fees we will be charging you.

### Wills, Powers of Attorney & Probate work

We advise on all areas of Wills, Powers of Attorney and Probate and the costs and length of time to complete this work will depend on multiple factors, in particular the size of the Estate, the number of beneficiaries, if there was a Will, the type and location of the assets and whether there are any tax issues and/or implications. Every matter is different and the costs will vary depending on the amount of time and the complexities that are involved. For example, the larger the estate, if assets are overseas or within a business and the number of beneficiaries will all affect the cost of dealing with the matter.

### What's involved?

A probate matter will usually involve the following:

- a review of the Will to identify executors and beneficiaries;
- the preparation and completion of the relevant probate and HMRC forms; and
- a realisation of all the assets of the estate, the settling of all liabilities and the distribution of any balance to the beneficiaries.

Dependent on the level of experience, our current hourly rates for this type of work (excluding VAT at 20%) are:

Partner	£300
Senior Associate	£250
Associate	£200
Trainee	£150
Paralegal	£120

In addition to our hourly charges for conducting the matter, there will also be disbursements to pay. A disbursement is a cost incurred as part of the transaction and which is payable to a third party, for example the Probate Registry. We will inform you of these costs before they are incurred and will ask you for payment on account to cover the expense.