

Yvonne Kearney Solicitor

Wills & Probate Process

Our experience

We have provided Wills and probate services for over 20 years. The costings for this are set out in our Fees section.

Our charges

In the case of Wills, tax/estate planning, trusts and probate work, do contact us in person or by telephone so we can consider your individual circumstances and give you a more tailored estimate.

In relation to probate matters, as estates vary considerably in size, in the nature of their assets and generally in complexity, so do the costs of administering them vary proportionately.

For Lasting Powers of Attorney, in most cases we will complete all the necessary paperwork for you and go through it with you. In most circumstances if you wish, one of our solicitors can act as your certificate provider. We will write to your attorneys as necessary and deal with the service of the notice which may be required. We can then deal with the Application for Registration with the Office of the Public Guardian.

Services covered by charges above relating to probate work

These include taking instructions, locating and considering the terms of the deceased's Will, in cases of intestacy ascertaining the entitlement to take out a Grant of Letters of Administration and to the distribution of the estate, ascertaining the assets and liabilities of the estate, calculating the inheritance tax due and completing the necessary Inland Revenue forms, arranging for payment of inheritance tax, applying for and obtaining the Grant of Probate or Letters of Administration, calling in the assets of the estate, paying the liabilities and distributing the estate to those entitled.

How long will my probate matter take?

The time that it takes from taking initial instructions to the final resolution of a matter depends largely on the presence or absence of the various factors mentioned above. In a normal case this will be between 6 and 18 months, but in complex cases it can be considerably longer.