

Probate pricing policy

We recognise that all estates are different and that the circumstances surrounding your loved one's affairs will vary depending on the nature and value of their estate. We also understand that is important to our clients to have clear information of the cost of using our services before they decide to proceed.

In order to give potential clients an opportunity to understand the probate process and ask any questions, we offer a free initial meeting to review the deceased's Will (or intestacy position, if there is no Will) and discuss the estate in detail.

At this meeting we are able to provide a fee estimate based on the number of hours we foresee a matter requiring. It is vitally important to us that our clients understand the nature of the work we are completing on their behalf and how this corresponds to the fees being charged. This quote will often provide a price range within which the work will be completed.

Our regulator requires us to provide clients with an indication of our pricing structure and we have set this out below. Please note that the below is based on an average of our cases and does not allow for individually complex cases.

Probate options

Full Estate Administration

We offer clients a full estate administration service which include:-

- notifying organisations of the death;
- assembling the necessary information to complete the Probate application
- settling any Inheritance Tax payable.
- arranging for assets to be cashed in or transferred as required;
- payment of any liabilities; and

- ultimately distributing the assets to the beneficiaries.

Where we are dealing with the full administration of an estate, costs can range from between £3,500 and £9,000 depending on the complexity of the matter.

Probate Only

We also offer clients a more streamlined "Probate Only" service where the client obtains the necessary information and we complete the Inheritance Tax return and Probate application on their behalf.

If we are completing the Probate only service prices are offered on a fixed fee basis and will fall between £1,000 and £2,500 depending on whether Inheritance Tax is payable.

Our prices are not subject to VAT.

In addition to our fees there are set disbursements to be paid:-

- Court fees of approximately £160 are payable for the application;
- swear fees of £7 per executor.

Whilst the above is supplied to provide a starting point to our pricing strategy, please do feel free to contact us regarding any questions you may have on your specific circumstances.