

Fee for Probate & Estate Administration

We offer a comprehensive estate administration service, ensuring clarity and simplicity from the outset. Our pricing is fully compliant with the SRA's transparency rules and includes obtaining the Grant of Probate (or Letters of Administration), collecting in the assets, settling liabilities, and distributing the estate to beneficiaries.

How Much Does This Service Cost?

Fixed Fee: 1% of the value of the property and 1.5% of the value of the rest of the estate (plus VAT)
Minimum fee of £3,000 plus VAT

The percentages are calculated on the gross value of the estate before deduction of any liabilities.

What's Included in Our Fee:

- A dedicated and experienced team member to manage your matter
- Identifying the legally appointed executors or administrators and beneficiaries
- Reviewing the Will (if any) and determining the type of application required
- Gathering information about the assets and liabilities in the estate
- Completing and submitting the Probate Application and any required HMRC forms, including applying for the Inheritance Tax code, preparing IHT forms and calculations, and liaising with banks and financial institutions regarding death notifications
- Applying for and obtaining the Grant of Probate (or Letters of Administration)
- Collecting in estate assets and paying liabilities
- Preparing estate accounts
- Distributing the net estate to the beneficiaries

Disbursements (Payable Separately):

Disbursements are third-party costs we pay on your behalf. Typical disbursements include:

- Probate application fee
- Swearing of the oath (per executor)
- Bankruptcy-only Land Charges searches
- London Gazette notice
- Local newspaper notice

Potential additional costs

- If there is no will or the estate consists of any share holdings (stocks and bonds) there is likely to be additional costs that could range significantly depending on the estate and how it is to be dealt with. We can give you a more accurate quote once we have more information.
- If any additional copies of the grant are required.
- If there are disputes between beneficiaries on division of assets or claims made against the estate.

The sale or transfer of any property in the estate is a separate matter, which we can assist with under a separate fee arrangement.

Timescales

Most estates are completed within 6–12 months. More complex estates may take longer.

Get in Touch

For a tailored quote based on your circumstances, or to discuss your requirements in confidence, please contact us.