

## **Probate and Administration of Estates Costs**

Here you can find our costs in relation to Probate and Administration of Estates. *If you have any queries regarding the costs in this table, please contact us so that we may provide a personalised quote.* Vat is included where indicated.

We can also assist in drafting your Will or Power of Attorney (LPA), please contact us for further details.

We do not and never will pay or receive referral fees for Probate work; rather our clients choose us based on word of mouth, referrals from previous clients and our good name.

There are different levels of service you could instruct us to carry out on your behalf, being:

- 1) Obtaining a Grant of Probate only (where there is a Will) or obtaining Letters of Administration only (where there is not a will)
- 2) Obtaining the above Grant and then going on to take all steps to fully administer the Estate up to and including final distribution.

# Section 1 – Obtaining a Grant of Probate only (where there is a Will)

# Estates under £325,000

Costs £695.00

VAT £139.00

Court fee <u>Link to HMCTS</u>

# Estates under £650,000 where a second nil rate band is being claimed

Costs £1250.00

VAT £250.00

Court fee Link to HMCTS

# Estates over £650,000

Costs 0.5% of gross value plus VAT

Court fee Link to HMCTS

Please note all estimated charges are reliant upon there being no contested element within the estate and are given strictly on the basis that the Executors work together co-operatively eg. attend joint meetings to avoid duplication.

# Section 1 – Obtaining Letters of Administration only (where there is not a will)

## APPLICANT BEING SPOUSE/CHILD OF DECEASED

# ESTATES UNDER £325,000

Costs £695.00

VAT £119.00

Court fee <u>Link to HMCTS</u>

## ESTATES UNDER £650,000

Costs £1450.00

VAT £290.00

Court fee <u>Link to HMCTS</u>

#### ESTATES OVER £650,000

Costs 0.5% of the gross value of estate plus VAT

Court fee Link to HMCTS

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Note:- If Applicant is less related than a spouse or child of the deceased, our legal costs will increase and depends upon the particular circumstance and family tree.

# <u>Section 2 – Obtaining Probate and full Administration of the Estate</u>

# ESTATES UP TO £100,000

Costs £2000.00 plus VAT

Court fee <u>Link to HMCTS</u>

# ESTATES BETWEEN £100,000 - £2,000,000

Costs 2 to 2.5% (dependent on complexity)

Of gross value of estate plus VAT

Court fee <u>Link to HMCTS</u>

# ESTATES BETWEEN £2,000,000 +

Costs 2% plus VAT

Court fee <u>Link to HMCTS</u>

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## **Probate Lawyer Profiles**

# Andrew Cropper, Director, Senior Solicitor and Supervisor

Andrew obtained his Law Degree LLB (Hons) at Leeds University in 1990. He has 24 years' post-qualification experience. Andrew has vast experience administering all categories of Estates. Andrew spends approximately half of his time on all areas of Private Client work including Probate and Administration of Estates, Wills and Powers of Attorney on such transactions, the other half being spent on Conveyancing. Andrew is a Conveyancing Supervisor and head of our Conveyancing, Private Client department and our Estate Agency.

## Stephen Owens, Solicitor

Stephen obtained his Law Degree LLB (Hons) at Liverpool John Moores University in 2014, Master of Laws and Legal Practice Course PGDip at BPP University 2016. Stephen is a Solicitor with this firm and has been with Barrow & Cook for three years. Stephen specialises in Private Client work and has experience of a number of Probate and Estate Administration matters as well as Estate Planning and residential Conveyancing.