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Wills, trusts and probate



We know full well that the merest mention of wills, trusts and probate is probably enough to start you worrying. Well, we can't make writing a will, dealing with trusts or sorting out probate any less serious, but we can make it easier.

We'll explain everything clearly, so you're not left feeling baffled by legalese, and we'll handle as much of the boring stuff for you as we can to make it stress-free and straightforward.

It has to be done, but it doesn't have to be a chore.

Our expert services include:

- > Will writing and updating
- > Inheritance Tax (IHT) Advice
- > Trust and Estate disputes
- > Arranging Powers of Attorney
- > Probate (the administration of estates of all sizes)

Wills

Making and changing your will - the easy way.

We know there are plenty of things you'd rather be doing than sorting out your will - but there are few that are more important.

You probably know that already; so why is it so hard to get round to doing it? Maybe it's simply because you haven't found the right solicitor yet.

Davis Blank Furniss can make writing or amending a will as straightforward and easy as it gets. We'll cut the jargon and legal red tape and, while we may temporarily have to make things more complex by talking trusts, gifts and tax, we'll ultimately get it all sorted out quickly and painlessly.

After all, writing a will isn't just about deciding who gets what. You need to consider the tax implications. If you have assets worth more than £325,000, they could be subject to Inheritance Tax (IHT) of 40%. We'll make sure your will is structured to be as tax efficient as possible, making the most of various exemptions to maximise the amount you leave behind for friends and family.

With your will sorted properly, you'll know that the people that matter to you will be well looked after, when you're not there to do it in person.

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Trusts

Arranging trusts requires a solicitor you can trust.

The finer details of trusts are not for the faint hearted. But, they're brilliant for three reasons in particular. They're very tax efficient, so you can maximise your assets. They help protect and control what's rightfully yours. And they help protect the people you care about, such as children or a partner.

We could give you lots of information about the different kinds of trusts here but, to be honest, you wouldn't thank us for it. The best thing to do is have a free, no obligation chat with one of our specialist wills, trusts and probate solicitors.

By finding out a bit about your particular circumstances, they can offer advice on the best way forward, bearing in mind things like your family situation, assets, children, tax, IHT and so on.

You'll see that they know their stuff inside out, and genuinely want to find the best solution for you. And when you find a solicitor you can trust, the rest all falls into place.

Probate

When you're coming to terms with the death of a loved one, you could do without having to jump through legal hoops too. Handling the process with sensitivity and discretion, our solicitors will take the burden off your shoulders.

We can help you sort out all kinds of issues, including valuation of property, completing the HMRC Account, dealing with Inheritance Tax, obtaining the Grant of Probate and selling property, if needs be.

If you want to contest a will, or fight a claim or contention, we'll talk you through what needs to happen and provide all the advice you need. It's undoubtedly a difficult time, but we'll make the legal side of things as easy and straightforward as we can.

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