

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	£595.00
VAT	£119.00
Court fee	Link to HMCTS
Commissioners fees up to	£30.00

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

Costs	£1250.00
VAT	£250.00
Court fee	Link to HMCTS
Commissioners fees up to	£30.00

Estates over £650,000

Costs	0.5% of gross value plus VAT
Court fee	Link to HMCTS
Commissioners fees up to	£30.00

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	Link to HMCTS
Commissioners fee up to	£30.00

ESTATES UNDER £650,000

Costs	£1450.00
VAT	£290.00
Court fee	Link to HMCTS
Commissioners fees up to	£30.00

ESTATES OVER £650,000

Costs	0.5% of the gross value of estate plus VAT
Court fee	Link to HMCTS
Commissioners fees up to	£30.00

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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.

Section 2 – Obtaining Probate and full Administration of the Estate

ESTATES UP TO £100,000

Costs £2000.00 plus VAT

Court fee [Link to HMCTS](#)

Commissioners fees up to £30.00

ESTATES BETWEEN £100,000 - £2,000,000

Costs 2 to 2.5% (dependent on complexity)

Of gross value of estate plus VAT

Court fee [Link to HMCTS](#)

Commissioners fees up to £30.00

ESTATES BETWEEN £2,000,000 +

Costs 2% plus VAT

Court fee [Link to HMCTS](#)

Commissioners fees up to £30.00

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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.

Keith Powell, Director, Senior Solicitor and Supervisor

Keith obtained his Law Degree LLB (Hons) at Newcastle University in 1982 and his Solicitor Final Exams in 1983. He has 33 years' post-qualification experience. Keith has vast experience of all type of Probate and Estate administration as well as property transactions which include purchases, sales, matrimonial transfers and mortgages. Keith spends his time on Probate and Estate Administration, residential property transactions, his Family Law, Matrimonial and Mediation practice. Keith is a Supervisor and been head of our Family Law department for over 20 years.

Stephen Owens, Trainee 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 Trainee Solicitor with this firm and has been with Barrow & Cook for three years. Stephen is training to specialise in Private Client work and has experience of a number of Probate and Estate Administration matters as well as Estate Planning and residential Conveyancing.