

Our guide to making a Will

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### Welcome

We understand the complexities of modern life, relationships, and the importance of taking care of you, your family and your financial interests. So it's a deep source of satisfaction that so many families, institutions and individuals choose Myerson as an integral part of their succession strategy.

#### Why Myerson?

Our specialist Wills, Trusts and Probate Team are all highly experienced and knowledgeable about Inheritance Tax and the administration of estates.

We know that many people have individual issues to consider, such as second families and family businesses, which require a tailored approach.

We are proud to be ranked as 'Top Tier' in the prestigious international directory The Legal 500, and commended by The Times 'Best Law Firms 2019'. Therefore, you can be reassured you will receive a highquality and truly bespoke service.

#### How We Work?

Every client is different, and we are here to support you every step of the way.

Personal, Partner-led Service. We get to know you and what you and your family want to achieve. We will help you create and/or update your Will.

The Highest Level of Expertise. With specialist knowledge and accreditations such as STEP (Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners) and ACTAPS (Accreditation of Contentious Trust and Probate Specialists), we use our expertise to focus on helping you to ensure your Will and estate are drafted and managed correctly.

A Team You Can Trust. You're in safe hands. We help clients nationwide with simple and complex Wills and estate planning on a daily basis. You can rest assured that our expert team knows its stuff!







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The solicitors that will be working with you are specialists.

All of our lawyers not only draft Wills but also deal with the administration of estates, so they know the pitfalls which can arise when Wills are put into practice.

Our lawyers can also advise you on the practical considerations of having a Trust in a Will, if that is appropriate to your circumstances.

The team provide practical advice and will deliver a complete service with support from specialists in our Real Estate and Company and Commercial teams, as required.

You can find out more about our Wills, Trusts and Probate team by clicking here.

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#### What is a Will?

A Will is a legal document setting out your wishes as to how your estate is to be distributed on your death.

If you do not make a Will, your assets will be divided in accordance with a set of rules called 'Intestacy' which only considers family members. Close friends, partners and charities may not benefit at all.

#### Why do I need to make a Will?

A Will is the most important document you will ever make as it disposes of all the wealth you have accumulated during your lifetime and, therefore, it is important to take proper advice.

The best place to start is to gather details of your assets and liabilities as well as your family tree before considering who you would like to provide for.

We can help guide you through this with our Will Questionnaire which sets out the basics of what you will need to make a Will.





#### What is the process?

#### • Step 1

We will ask you to complete our Will Questionnaire.

#### • Step 2

Then we will meet with you in person (this can also be done virtually via FaceTime, Zoom or another platform) to discuss your needs and our proposals in more detail including advice on Inheritance Tax and estate planning.

#### • Step 3

We will open your file, record your instructions and our advice, as well as documenting issues such as mental capacity and undue influence to reduce the possibility of your Will being challenged.

#### • Step 4

A draft Will will be sent for your approval with our advice. We ensure our Wills, so far as possible, are transparent and clear to read, but of course we are happy to discuss any queries you may have.

#### • Step 5

A meeting will be arranged for us to complete a final review of your Will with you and to execute them. Once signed, we can store your Will and provide you with copies. We can also register your Will with the Law Society recommended Wills Register, Certainty.

#### How much will it cost?

At Myerson, we provide a bespoke service and advise you on your individual circumstances based on your priorities.

As a guide, we find that mirror Wills without trust are in the region of £1200 + VAT.

If you require more complicated Wills containing a trust or further advice regarding estate planning or Inheritance Tax mitigation, we find that our charges are from £2000 + VAT.

# Don't just take our word for it...

"From our first telephone conversation, Myerson dispelled any doubts with a warm and friendly approach."

"Their response time and communication is excellent and I would have no hesitation in recommending Myerson in the future."

"The service we received at Myerson was sensitively handled, highly competent, professional, timely and efficient. The advice, guidance and support were excellent, well communicated and expertly executed."

"I would like to thank the team. I would heavily recommend them, and I have, to other friends and family. Their service has been efficient, speedy and reliable. Myself and my family found them very understanding, kind and friendly."

"I have total confidence in the advice and support I received."

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## You're in safe hands!

If you would like further information about how we can help you to make a Will, or if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact a member of our Wills, Trusts and Probate Team today.

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