



Wills
matter...

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Welcome.....

Starting with the initial enquiry, our client relationship develops over time into a long-term association built on trust and confidence where we know you will value our expertise and friendly but professional approach.

We are a full-service law firm, providing you with clear legal and commercial advice. We are large enough to handle your most complex matters, yet small enough to provide you with responsive, personal and senior-level attention.

For the past 30 years both corporate and private clients have come to rely on our trusted guidance. We have established a professional reputation as a leading legal resource, delivering effective, efficient and focused advice.

Having offices in Harrow, Pinner and the West End of London, we are well positioned to service our ever-growing client base throughout London and the rest of the country, and our associate offices in Paris and Berlin provide us with an international presence.

Many firms claim to be client focused, but we know that 60% of our business comes from clients who return to us time and time again, so we speak from a position of strength when we say that you will always receive an impeccable service from us because we believe it is "all about the client".



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About Wills and Powers of Attorney.....

Why should I make a Will?

When a person dies without making a Will, his or her assets pass according to a strict legal order governed by the Rules of Intestacy. Consequently, there is no control over who are to be the recipients of the estate, which can cause emotional and financial turmoil for loved ones. Making a Will ensures that the people and charities who you want to benefit from your estate will do so.

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Mr Lemon has acted for us now on 6 occasions. Every time he has been excellent and a pleasure to deal with. I would not hesitate to recommend his services and have done many times in the past!

*Kind best regards,
Rob Hill*

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Who will look after my children if I die?

This depends on whether you have a partner/spouse and whether they have parental responsibility. For a married couple it is usually the surviving spouse. In the event of both you and your partner/spouse dying at the same time, you can appoint a guardian in your Will to look after your children.

Do I have to instruct a solicitor to make a Will?

No, it is not mandatory, but always advisable.

The benefits of using a solicitor are:

- Guidance – a solicitor will advise on the form of the Will, appointment of executors/guardians and also on how assets could be distributed.
- Tax – a solicitor will be able to advise on the most **tax efficient** way to dispose of your estate.
- Format and structure – a solicitor will structure the Will in the correct way and follow the relevant statutory requirements in relation to its execution, thereby avoiding any potential future problems.



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Can I change my Will in the future?

Yes. If your circumstances have changed and/or you believe that a specific term in your Will is no longer applicable, then it is possible to amend it by creating a Codicil. This is an important legal document and it is advisable to always consult a solicitor when you wish to amend your Will.



Who looks after my original Will?

Much depends on your requirements but often solicitors will retain your original Will. Alternatively your bank may agree to keep this for you, but we will not only store your Will, **free of charge**, but we will also, if you require, register it with Certainty National Registry of Wills so that in the event of your death, the person administering your estate will be able to locate it.

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It has been a pleasure to deal with you Mr Popeck and I felt strongly supported by you during this arduous process. It's good to know who I can call on in the future should I so need!

Best wishes,

Deirdre

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What is a Lasting Power of Attorney?

A Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) is a legal document giving a person or persons (the attorney) the power to make decisions on someone else's behalf when they lack the mental capacity to do so themselves.

Who can make a LPA?

Anyone aged 18 or over can make a LPA but you must make it as an individual; two or more people cannot make a joint LPA. A solicitor will be able to advise on the best options available.

Is there more than one type of LPA?

Yes. There is one that covers property and financial affairs which allows for bills to be paid, bank correspondence to be dealt with, the collection of benefits and even house sale, and one that deals with health and welfare whereby decisions affecting your medical treatment, care and medication can be made.

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We're all very grateful to you for handling this matter in such a patient and professional manner. I am very pleased that my son so strongly recommended you. And I will be very happy to recommend you and your firm in the future. With best wishes,

P.Coombes

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Who should be the attorney?

Much depends on your personal needs but often spouses or a close family member are appointed. Where an individual does not have any family members, a Trust corporation can be appointed. It is even possible to appoint more than one attorney or a substitute attorney. The advice of a solicitor should always be sought in these instances.

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I am sure you and your firm will give Sarah the excellent service that you gave us. She's the second person we've recommended after Jo and James.

Kind regards

Michael

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What can attorneys do for me?

This depends on whether or not you have restricted their powers. Irrespective of this, the Mental Capacity Act and Code of Practice are designed to provide protection for people who are unable to make decisions for themselves.

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We both wanted to thank you very much for all your help and for - yet again - your professionalism in seeing through this transaction. It is so much appreciated as it means that we don't have to worry about the legal side of things at all.

Best wishes, till the next time,

Elisabeth

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I would like to thank you for all your timely personal advice and help throughout 2014, always with a smiling, welcoming face. It is very much appreciated.

*Would like to wish you and your wonderful team a very happy healthy prosperous 2015.
Kind best regards*

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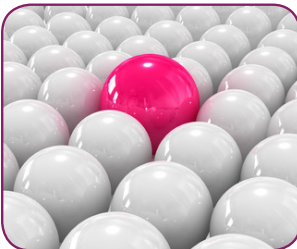


What should I do now?

If you would like us to prepare your Will or LPA, simply call or email us at the number or address shown in the contact section of this brochure and we would be happy to discuss your requirements in a friendly and professional manner.

Why use us?

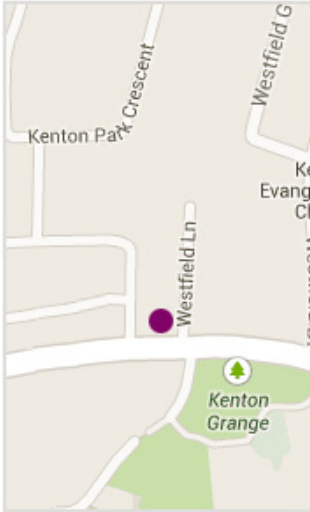
- **Service:** we pride ourselves on always providing the highest standards of service, something which is supported by our ever-growing list of testimonials and returning clients.
- **Communication:** a key part of the Curry Popeck ethos is communication. We believe in always keeping you updated and will deal with your enquiries promptly.
- **Proactivity:** it's best to 'make something happen' rather than 'wait for it to happen' and this is borne out by our positive attitude of always trying to move things along towards a prompt and efficient conclusion.
- **Innovation:** unique products like the Curry Popeck Sellers Pack help us 'stand out from the crowd'.
- **Problem solving:** the law always throws up regular challenges, but with over 250 years of experience between us, we are well positioned to solve anything we're faced with.
- **Expertise:** we are members of the Law Society's Conveyancing Quality Scheme (CQS), which provides a recognised quality standard for residential conveyancing practices and is only awarded to those law firms who excel in what they do, and pass a rigorous accreditation process.
- **Attitude:** unlike some firms in our profession, we make a point of always being friendly and approachable, understanding your challenges and working with you to resolve them.
- **Personal attention:** the same dedicated and experienced solicitor will work on your transaction from start to finish so you always know who to speak to.



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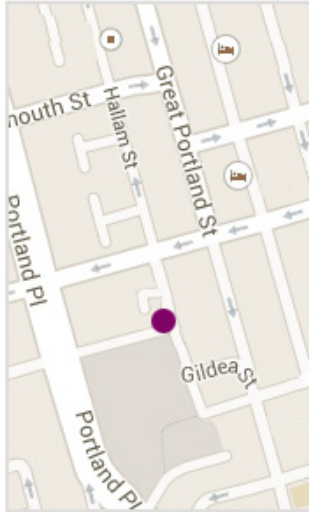
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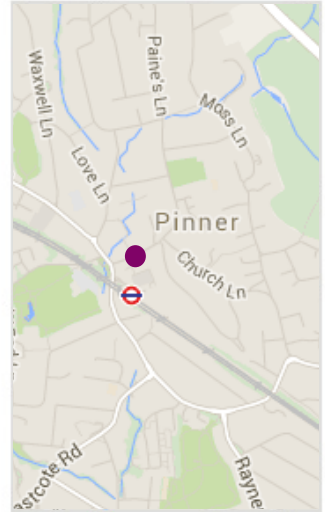
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