

## Wills & Pricing Information

At Hawkins Ryan LLP we are here to assist in you in your will planning, lasting power of attorney, probate, and tax matters. Head of the Private Clients Department is Partner of the firm, Andrew Stevenson.

Andrew is assisted by Private Client caseworkers, Susan Cromarty and trainee apprentice solicitors Megan Stratton and Olivia Reynolds. They will also assist with your matter and are the first point of contact for any updates or request for further information.

### Wills

They say that nothing in life is certain, except for death and taxes. That may be true, but there is a minefield of uncertainty surrounding both issues and our job is to help you pick the best way through it. These subjects are, of course, intimately related, and should be considered together, with two common aims: to make life as simple and comfortable as possible for those who survive you, and to keep as much of your estate as possible with your loved ones and not the taxman.

Our service is tailored to the needs of you and your family. We are happy to work on behalf of whoever you choose to appoint as an executor of your estate, or to act as administrators ourselves, dealing with every aspect of the estate, right down to house clearance and asset disposal. This way you can have total peace of mind knowing that whatever your wishes, this will be dictated by the terms of your Will.

### Single Wills

A single will is a legal document used by one person to provide specific details of their final wishes.

Types of Wills	Amount	VAT	Total Cost
Basic single will (straight forward estate and family beneficiaries)	£162.50	£32.50	£195
Medium single will (more complicated estate and several beneficiaries)	£245.83	£49.17	£295
High single will (multiple assets and numerous beneficiaries)	£329.17	£65.83	£395

### Mirror Wills

A mirror will are two wills, usually created by spouses or partners, where the wishes of one person largely reflect the wishes of the other. Generally, the two people will leave their estate to each other, and agree where their estate should pass upon the death of the second person. It is one of the most common approaches for couples when preparing their Last Will and Testament.

Types of Mirror Wills	Amount	VAT	Total
Basic pair of mirror wills (straight forward estate and family beneficiaries)	£245.83	£49.17	£295
Medium pair of mirror wills (more complicated estate and several beneficiaries)	£329.17	£65.83	£395
High pair of mirror wills (multiple assets and numerous beneficiaries)	£412.50	£82.50	£495

## Lasting Power of Attorney & Pricing Information

### Lasting Power of Attorney

We can also advise you on Lasting Powers of Attorney.

A lasting power of attorney (LPA) is a legal document which enables you to plan ahead and set out what you would like to happen should you become incapable of making decisions in the future. With mirror lasting power of attorney documents, this allows a couple or partners to act as power of attorneys if one or the other becomes incapacitated and cannot make decisions for themselves, the other will step in to do so.

#### Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA)

There are two types of LPA:

**A property and financial affairs LPA.** This gives your attorney the authority to deal with your property and finances when you choose and /or if you lack mental capacity.

**A health and welfare LPA.** This allows your attorney to make health and care decisions on your behalf if you lack mental capacity to do so yourself. This could include giving or refusing consent to the continuation of life sustaining treatment.

You can appoint one or more attorneys who will be able to make decisions on your behalf. They could be a family member, friend, or professional adviser. He or she must consider your best interest when making a decision for you, in a way you would want, when it is needed.

Types of Lasting Powers of Attorney	Amount	VAT	Total
Lasting Power of Attorney for an individual	£350	£70	£420
Both Lasting Powers of Attorney for an individual	£300 each	£120	£720
Lasting Powers of Attorney for a couple	£300 each	£120	£720
Both Lasting Powers of Attorney for a couple	£500 each	£200	£1,200

### **Additional Considerations**

Our standard fees are based on producing standard Powers of Attorney and arranging for them to be registered with the Office of the Public Guardian. We may sometimes suggest that additional, bespoke instructions or preferences are included within the Powers. If so, we may make an additional charge but not without discussing it with you first.

### **Home Visits**

If you are unable to come to the office, we can arrange a visit to your home to discuss your requirements. We charge a set fee of £40.00 plus VAT of £8.00 = £48.00, if you reside within a 10-mile radius of our office location.