

Quality of Knowledge

The firm was founded in 1950 and ever since, we have been helping clients, their families and businesses with their legal requirements in the heart of the Norfolk Broads and beyond. As a firm, we have adapted to the demands of our clients and the firm has gradually expanded.

Each of our solicitors or legal executives specialises in a particular area of law and we aim to provide a personal and friendly service not always available in larger firms.

The areas of the law with which we can assist clients are as follows:-

- Residential & Commercial Property
- Landlord & Tenant
- Business & Partnerships
- Wills & Estate Planning
- Probate & Estate Administration
- Trusts
- Powers of Attorney & Deputyship
- Matrimonial
- Family Law
- Inheritance Disputes
- Litigation

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The period immediately after a person dies can be a traumatic and confusing time. Along with making arrangements for the funeral, the family is then faced with the daunting prospect of administering the deceased's estate.

The role of the Personal Representative carries with it a number of responsibilities. They have a duty to collect in and protect the assets of the deceased.

They must make enquiries about the deceased's assets and their financial position and are responsible for ensuring that the terms of the will or statutory rules relating to intestacy are properly carried out.

They must also make sure that the necessary formalities are completed with HM Revenue and Customs and ensure all tax liabilities of the deceased are settled. They will also have to arrange for the disposal or transfer of the deceased's assets including the family home and contents.



Banks and other institutions sometimes only release funds when they have a formal Grant of Representation appointing the Personal Representatives. This is the Court's order issued to the Executors where a will has been made or the Administrator where there is no will (intestacy).

A Personal Representative who fails to discharge these duties properly will be personally accountable for any financial loss that occurs. They may also face criminal sanctions.

At Capron & Helliwell, our team of lawyers have many years of experience in dealing with the complexities of estate administration.

We can also assist in minimising inheritance tax even after someone has died, such as by a variation and also help where a dispute has arisen in relation to the estate and any beneficiaries.

How we can help

If you wish to discuss your legal requirements and how we can help you then please call us, you will find us friendly, re-assuring and helpful.

Convenient parking is available at all of our offices and we are able to visit clients at home.*

*Additional charges apply for home visits.