

Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) fees

Description	Our fees plus VAT
Lasting Power of Attorney	£750 Disbursement: Application fee of £82
Application for Deputyship	£1250 Disbursement: You must pay a £365 application fee. You'll also need to pay £485 <u>if the court decides your case needs a hearing.</u>

The probate process & fees

There are two stages when dealing with the estate of a deceased person. Stage 1 consists of obtaining the correct Grant followed by Stage 2 which is the administration of the Estate itself.

Stage 1- Obtaining the Grant

Applying for a Grant of Representation depends on whether the deceased has left a Will. If there is a Will, then the Executors named in the Will need to apply for a Grant of Probate. If there is no Will, then an application will need to be made for a Grant of Letters of Administration with one or more people named as Administrators.

In terms of fees, we will charge you a fixed fees of £750 plus VAT for our legal costs in obtaining the Grant. Please note that in the event that an IHT400 form is required there will be an additional fee of as per the hourly rate listed below.

The most common disbursements are as follows:

Description	Fee
Commissioners Fee for swearing the Executors Oath	£5

Probate Court Fee	£155 Additional copies of the Grant of Probate – £0.50 each

Stage 2 - Administration of the Estate

Our costs in administering the estate will be based upon the time it takes us and the value of the estate. This is calculated based on an hourly rate of £175 plus VAT and a charge of 1% of the value of the estate. We guarantee that our fees will not exceed more than 3% of the overall value of the estate irrespective of how much time we have to spend in dealing with the estate.

Our Hourly Rates

The above fees will only be incurred in this way once we have obtained your express instructions. As it is not always possible to accurately know in advance what work is going to be involved, we will provide you with the best information possible about the likely cost at the beginning of the matter and at intervals while the matter proceeds.

Hourly rates will only be charged in exceptional circumstances for complex matters where a fixed fee cannot be provided.

Position	Hourly rate plus VAT
Partners	£250 to 350 + VAT
Associate/Senior Solicitors	£220 + VAT
Solicitors and admitted Legal Executives	£165 to £195 + VAT
Trainee Solicitors and Paralegals	£120.00 + VAT

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