



Family Services

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Welcome to Kerseys Solicitors

Our Family law team are experienced and sympathetic professionals, helping clients to address difficult family problems, with sensitivity and practical efficiency.

However delicate and emotional distressing the issue, we can guide you through divorce, financial settlement, custody of children and parental responsibility. We also handle happier situations too, such as cohabitation, pre-nuptial agreements and purchasing a property.

At Kerseys Solicitors we have been advising clients since 1881 and over the years have adapted our working practices to meet changing developments and demands. We also believe our approach is different from other law firms.

When you engage us, we will work with you as a trusted business partner, providing an informal and personal service with access to senior professionals in the firm who will keep you updated on progress and work proactively to reach a successful conclusion.

Step inside our firm and see how our range of services and solutions can help you.

Family Services



Divorce

Dealing with the breakdown of a marriage is stressful and upsetting. Our team of experienced family solicitors specialise in advising people in this situation and can provide vital legal advice and practical support. Where possible we will work towards an agreed settlement but if this is not possible we will provide expert representation in contested proceedings.

Cohabitation

Where a cohabiting relationship breaks down the law can be complex in relation to any property owned by the couple. We can provide essential advice and aim to resolve disputes without the need for costly legal proceedings where possible.

Unmarried and Buying a House Together

In cases where one person is contributing more to the purchase than the other, a Declaration of Trust may be needed to protect that person's contribution. We can provide advice and draft a bespoke document, usually for an agreed fixed fee.



Pre-Nuptial Agreements

We can provide advice on Pre-Nuptial Agreements and also Post-Nuptial Agreements. These agreements can provide valuable legal protection in a variety of circumstances.

Child Care

We have a contract with the Legal Aid Agency and provide specialist advice and representation for parents, and sometimes other family members, where social services are involved.

Children

We provide specialist advice and representation in relation to disputes about children following marriage or relationship breakdown.

We understand the sensitivities involved in trying to agree arrangements for children and work towards child-focused solutions.



Mediation

Family mediation is a process where a Mediator supports and helps you and family members to communicate more effectively and to find consensual resolution during times of dispute which often occurs following separation and typically covers issues such as financial matters and children disputes (where the children will live, or how often they see each parent).

Collaborative Law

Collaborative Law is a form of alternative dispute resolution for family issues such as divorce, finances and children arrangements. A settlement is reached in a non-confrontational way and without court involvement, based upon co-operation between parties through assistance from their collaboratively trained lawyers in round table meetings.

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Our Approach



At Kerseys we are committed to delivering a positive experience to our clients, with a high standard of legal advice backed up by an efficient, friendly, timely and cost-effective service.

We have different teams to offer specialist advice across a range of different legal areas which means you deal with experts in a specific field of law who can share their in-depth knowledge and experience.

However, we are also aware that any particular case might require input from other legal professionals and we are in an excellent position to draw on their participation, as required.

This approach works well and it speaks volumes that over half of our caseload comes from existing clients – and a further fifth from recommendation.

As a firm, we also hold the Lexcel Quality Standard provided by the Law Society which means we are assessed annually in seven key areas including: client care, case management, information management, risk management, financial management, people management and our strategy and business structure.

Other Services

Kerseys offers a complementary range of legal services that might be helpful

Buying and Selling Your Home

Whether you are a first-time buyer, moving house, purchasing additional property or re-mortgaging, freehold or leasehold, our Conveyancing team can help you by delivering a service that is professional, efficient and friendly.

We can also assist with other property matters such as equity release, shared ownership and home-buy schemes.

Our membership of the Law Society Conveyancing Quality Accreditation Scheme, is an objective validation of the excellent service we deliver.

Personal Legal Services

Whilst most people shy away from making a will, setting up a trust or taking advice on estate planning, it makes sense to plan ahead so that your family will benefit in the way you wish.

Our team will give you all the advice and assurance you need, whether it's making a will for yourself, working through probate or estate administration on the death of a loved one, or arranging lasting power of attorney for a relative or friend.



General Litigation

Our team has many years of experience resolving disputes and problems, including property and neighbour issues, landlord and tenant, employment law, insurance claims, contested estates, professional negligence and any other areas.

In all cases we work flexibly to achieve a positive, cost-effective and timely result, carrying out a risk assessment to determine the prospects of success.

As a team, we take a pragmatic approach to resolving disputes through negotiation, arbitration, mediation, litigation – or a combination of methods.

Commercial Matters

With the highest level of technical expertise and experience we handle all aspects of commercial property transactions.

We act for a variety of clients in a range of industry sectors. First and foremost, it is crucial that we get to know and understand your business and the people who run it.

That way we can provide legal advice that is directly relevant to your needs. When you consult a solicitor on a commercial matter - whether it is buying or selling a business, completing an acquisition or adding to a property portfolio - you need an experienced professional who can deliver a service tailored to your specific requirements.

Why?

Experienced – our Partners and Solicitors share. . . years of legal experience between them. That's why we are qualified to share our knowledge, skills and insights with you.

Established – we have been around since 1881 and are proud of our heritage. We are equally proud that our firm and its working practices have evolved in line with changes in society and client requirements.

Approachable and Accessible – we know that having direct access to a senior member of the team is important to clients and that's why we make ourselves available to provide regular updates on your case.

Friendly and Flexible – going to a solicitor can be a daunting experience and that's why we focus on making it as easy as possible, from being greeted by our friendly practice receptionists through to attending court if required.

Transparent and Honest – above all, we believe in being clear with our clients, both in terms of costings for work upfront and also assessing the chances of a successful outcome.



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