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What are the issues?

Dealing with the administration of an estate (be it in the capacity of Executor or Administrator) can be a particularly stressful, time-consuming, and often, an unthankful task. Acting in this capacity can not only place you at financial risk, be it from loss arising from a breach of a duty of care or fines payable to HMRC, but you may also quickly find yourself at the at the forefront of legal proceedings from disgruntled beneficiaries.

The administration of an estate also involves a lot of paperwork, including form filling to notifying third parties (such as Companies House) and adhering to strict time limits. Other requirements include acting with due diligence, complying with GDPR, interpreting wills correctly, identifying all beneficiaries, identifying and safeguarding the assets of an estate, identifying appropriate reliefs and exemptions (minimising IHT and other liability), and ensuring the liabilities of an estate are discharged in the correct order of priority. The list goes on!

Trying to deal with such matters yourself is not only ill-advised but could well end up costing the estate more should things go wrong. Avoid the stress and worry by coming to Eccles Heddon from the outset.



The lawyers at Eccles Heddon LLP are here to take the burdens of administrating an Estate away. We have the experience to pick up from the outset what key issues are involved, advise of any key dates and deadlines and progress the matter in a quick and efficient manner.

We offer the impartiality many beneficiaries now expect and always strive to ensure all reliefs and allowances are claimed and IHT paid, as appropriate, maximising the estate assets which are to be passed on to the beneficiaries.

We deal with both HMRC and the Probate Registry on a daily basis and also enjoy strong working relationships with other local professionals, from accountants to land agents and other property solicitors. As you will gather, we are highly experienced in these matters.

Finally, many of our lawyers are STEP (Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners) qualified ensuring the highest standards of service are provided.

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