

Trustmark Law Wills & Trusts

Peace of Mind

### **Trustmark Law**



#### **Welcome to Trustmark Law**

Thank you for taking the time to explore our Future Planning Services. Our mission is to respectfully assist you and your loved ones through one of the most difficult times in life.

We believe the key to protecting you, and the people you care for, is to plan with a company that puts customer service at the heart of everything they do.

Choosing Trustmark Law is a decision you can make with confidence. Our caring team will help you arrange your final wishes should you become ill or pass away. We are more than aware that this is a highly sensitive issue and can be uncomfortable to discuss. Therefore, not everyone takes the time to prepare for the future. However, as our customers can confirm, planning for the future eases the worry and the financial burden that comes with difficult times.

We are proud to help families plan for their future. Our dedicated team work hard to make sure your options are explained clearly and your wishes are handled respectfully.

Our team of Will Writers, Estate Planners and Funeral Specialists are here to work with you to make sure your best interests are taken care of, precisely as you wish.



### Wills & Testament

## Securing Your Families Future

Let's face it. Nobody wants to think about the end of their life or what might happen to the people they care for once they've passed away.

Asking questions like, what will happen to my estate once I've gone? Or, how will my family manage the finances if I'm not there? - Can be tricky and uncomfortable.

That's why so many people put off preparing their Will and Testament, but that's a big mistake. Having these important conversations helps to ensure that after you pass, your wishes are respected and the people you most want to look after are taken care of.

At Trustmark Law, we believe that helping families to make positive choices to protect their loved ones' future is one of the most important gifts that anyone can give. We are proud to offer our customers bespoke Will writing services to suit their individuals circumstances.

#### **Professionally Written Wills with Trustmark Law**

Choosing a professionally written legal Will is the best way for you to ensure that your family's future is safeguarded financially. Here at Trustmark Law, our mission is to help you create this eternal gift to your loved ones quickly, easily and affordably.

With careful future planning, you can ensure that both you and your loved one's future is secure. Your family can then benefit from a Will that truly reflects your priorities and wishes - allowing them the space to grieve peacefully without the added stress of intestacy issues.

- Trustmark Law Wills are easy to understand, bespoke and fully personalised.
- We offer a comprehensive Will service no matter the size of your estate.
- Trustmark Law works with you to help you plan for all circumstances ensuring your principles and wishes are respected and any inheritors are clearly identified.



# **Lasting Power of Attorney**

## Safeguarding Your Future if you Become Unable

At any time in our life, we could be hit with a physical or mental illness or a condition that means we are unable to handle our own legal and financial affairs. This is why it's a great idea to safeguard your future and ensure your interests are protected by having a Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA).

#### There are two types of LPA

- An LPA to help you with matters relating to your property and financial affairs.
  Someone you can trust to manage things like your bank account, bills and property on your behalf.
- An LPA for health and welfare. If you are unable to make decisions about your healthcare and medical needs, your trusted person can make decisions in your best interest.

#### Help When you Need it Most with an LPA

Choosing a Lasting Power of Attorney can help you if you have suffered an accident or serious illness. Sadly, there are some conditions such as Parkinson's disease or Dementia that can eventually affect your ability to make the right decisions for you and your family. This conditions may also include Alzheimer's, aneurysms, blood clots and accidents

If you do not have an LPA, you and your family can be subjected to a long and gruelling process of having the Court of Protection appoint a representative for you. This can be expensive and leave you feeling like you're not in charge of your own decision-making.

An LPA is the best choice.

#### **Taking Care of Your Future with Trustmark Law**

By choosing to create an LPA with Trustmark Law, you can give yourself and your family peace of mind as you manage your illness or condition. If you are suffering from an illness that may leave you unable to make decisions, it's important to act before any condition or illness progresses.

Trustmark Law helps you to decide who to appoint as your LPA. This should be someone trustworthy who understands you and your wishes and is ready to carry them out on your behalf.

Our extensive knowledge and experience ensures that we can help you create your LPA quickly, affordably and with minimum hassle.



#### **Trusts**

## Make Sure Your Loved Ones get The Share They Deserve

At Trustmark Law, we know how difficult it can be to consider the practicalities your loved ones will face once you have passed away. But with careful planning, you can take steps to make sure that the people you care for get what's rightfully theirs.

Trusts help protect your nearest and dearest from unwanted financial and practical concerns - which can be extremely stressful at an already difficult time. By creating a Property Trust, you can make sure that your surviving partner can live in the house and still protect your share for the people you wish to benefit.

#### Peace of Mind with Professional Services From Trustmark Law

You've worked hard for the assets you have, and when you are no longer around, you want them to be passed on to the right people according to your wishes. Our professional Trust services will make sure that you can:

- Name the trustees you want to manage your affairs with Trustmark.
- Create a Trust for any jointly-owned properties to make sure your partner or any other beneficiaries have the right to live in the property. You can transfer your property to a person of your choice - reducing stress and anxiety for your spouse.
- Take advantage of highly experienced and sensitive legal professionals who have a deep understanding of constitutional Trust laws.
- Guidance and advice in relation to the formation and management of your Trust and secure the future of your loved ones.
- Support and help to set up and manage four types of Trusts Protective Property Trust,
  Flexible Life Interest Trust, Discretionary Trust and NIL Rate Band Trust.

#### **Keep Your Assets Protected with a Trust**

A Trust is flexible and makes sure that your share of any property (if jointly owned) is protected. So, if you face future financial difficulties, your share of the property remains protected.

Upon your death, the Trust will ensure that your loved ones receive what you've decided they should have of your share. This can protect your family from inheritance tax or even possible disinheritance (an example of this could be if you have children from a previous marriage that your current spouse decides to exclude).



### **Funeral Plans**

# Flexible Plans to Manage Funeral Costs for Your Loved Ones

Planning for your funeral is an important part of your will. Though many of us find it difficult to think about, the reality is, funeral costs are rising rapidly each year. With an increase of 4.7% last year alone this could place a large financial burden on any family in years to come.

By purchasing a Funeral Plan, you can avoid passing on what could be an overwhelming expense to your spouse or children at a time when they are grieving.

That means your family will not have to pay a penny as long as the plan has been paid for.

We offer a range of bespoke Funeral Plans that can be catered to your individual needs and budget. You will work together with our funeral specialist to come up with a plan that keeps in mind your wishes and a realistic budget.

We collaborate with local Funeral Directors to ensure you get exceptional service that adheres to your wishes for your funeral, and we offer flexible payment options so you can spread the cost of the plan.

We only work with Funeral Plan providers that protect your money by placing it safely in a secure Trust Fund. After you pass away, it is paid directly to a local Funeral Director of your choice depending on the plan.

You have the peace of mind knowing that your money is safety placed in a secure Trust Fund. After you pass away the fund will pay the funeral director directly.



### **Trustmark Law**

## Supporting you to Protect Your Future

Your original legal documents such as Wills, Trusts and Lasting Powers of Attorney are the only legally binding documents. Scans, photocopies and computer records are not legally valid without your original signature so it's very important to keep them in a safe place. If your Will is damaged in any way the courts could declare it invalid.

Here at Trustmark Law we go one step futher to make sure your wishes are fulfilled by offering our Storage and free updates for a small fee.

So, take the pressure off and let us store your documents. And if, for example, you move house or have a grandchild, we will make those adjustments at no extra cost.

Remember, it is advised you should always update your Will every 2-3 years.

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If you have any questions or would like to get in touch with one of our friendly team, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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