



Collyer
Bristow

PRIVATE CLIENT SERVICES

FROM TAX MITIGATION...*to protecting your reputation*



Whether you are looking to make a will, buy a new home, resolve a family difficulty, add to your real estate portfolio or defend your reputation, Collyer Bristow has an experienced legal team to advise on these and other legal issues which affect individuals and families.



TAX & ESTATE PLANNING

PLANNING

Plan for the future. We can assist with tax planning, trust structures, wills and estate planning, whether you need a bespoke or standard service. We can provide lasting powers of attorney, Court of Protection deputyships and advance decisions (living wills).

PROVISION

Provide for your loved ones in the way you would like. We will advise whether you are in a traditional family unit, civil partnership, unmarried and living together, a step-family or single.

PROTECTION

Protect your assets and your loved ones. We will advise on the protection of wealth down the generations, in situations of marital breakdown, financial immaturity and disputes within your family.

INTERNATIONAL

Structure your wealth efficiently. We offer expert onshore and offshore tax and trust advice for UK and international families including issues of domicile and residence involving jurisdictions across the globe.

DISPUTES

Ensure that family members, trustees and executors are given the appropriate advice and support. We can help with contested wills, allegations of breach of trust, challenging and defending powers of attorney and disputes with HM Revenue & Customs.

MANAGEMENT

Have your trusts and other wealth management structures managed professionally. We offer professional trusteeship, accounting and management services, as well as personal tax administration and compliance.

STEWARDSHIP

Maximise your trust assets through careful and pro-active trusteeship. Our partners are professional trustees with considerable experience in decision-making and wealth management, working closely with other professional advisers.

CHARITIES

Establish and administer charities effectively. We are able to advise on all aspects of charity law, from their creation to acting as a board member or trustee, as well as general administration and compliance.

FAMILY



ASSET PROTECTION

Protect your assets in the event of relationship breakdown. We can advise on cohabitation and pre and post nuptial agreements to help organise financial arrangements during a relationship and to determine what should happen in the event of relationship breakdown.

RELATIONSHIP BREAKDOWN

Look to us for advice on separation. We have significant experience in cohabitation disputes and divorce and will advise on all issues that may be thrown up during the breakdown of a relationship.

RESOLUTION

Reach an amicable conclusion. We pride ourselves on finding pragmatic tailor-made solutions and can provide a variety of resolution methods including mediation and collaborative law.

DISPUTES

Achieve the best possible result. Sometimes disputes cannot be resolved without recourse to litigation. We will make full use of the court process to secure the best outcome.

CHILDREN

Find solutions to issues surrounding your children. Our team can help with the important and delicate issues including contact, residence, paternity and schooling.

INTERNATIONAL

Choose the best jurisdiction. The choice of jurisdiction and international elements can have a significant bearing on a family situation.



REAL ESTATE

ACQUISITION

Ensure your real estate transaction is handled proactively. We are able to negotiate your purchase, sale or letting of residential, agricultural and commercial real estate with in depth knowledge and market expertise. We offer an all encompassing service tailored to suit you, whether you are new to or experienced in UK real estate, to deal efficiently with every aspect of your transaction.

PLANNING

Structure your real estate effectively. We offer expert advice on planning how real estate should be purchased, financed and held for greater efficiency and to mitigate tax payable on acquisition, ownership and disposal.

MAXIMISE

Increase the value of your leasehold real estate. We can help you acquire the freehold of flats and houses and extend leases, both by negotiation and pursuant to the statutory process, to add value and increase control of your real estate.

IMPROVEMENT

Enhance your real estate. We give advice on refurbishment, alteration and building works and assist in obtaining the consents required, structuring the project for you and appointing and dealing with the contractors and other professionals. We have the expertise to set up and co-ordinate your project through to a successful completion.

MANAGEMENT

Rely on us to assist with the practical day to day needs of your real estate portfolio. We attend to maintenance issues and deal with service charges, insurance, utility providers and tenants of let properties.

RESOLUTION

Look to us to advise on all types of real estate disputes, including boundary and neighbour disputes, service charge issues, landlord and tenant and building disputes. Our team will work to resolve such issues quickly and in a cost efficient manner.

DISPUTES & REPUTATION MANAGEMENT



RECOVERY

Recover your loss. We can help in financial services disputes against financial institutions and negligence claims against professionals. Issuing court proceedings is just one of a variety of mechanisms and is often a last resort. We recognise that no one method suits every case and we will develop and implement a strategy to manage and prevent disputes.

REPUTATION

Protect the reputation you have spent a lifetime building. Our reputation management team utilises its expertise garnered from ground-breaking defamation and privacy cases and years of dealing with the media. When necessary we will act swiftly and obtain injunctions at short notice.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Individuals prize their privacy. We act with complete discretion in all of our work and the majority of our successes, whether for our high-profile clients or others, are unreported. We are happy to remain in the background and remain focused on our client's objectives whatever the case.

RELATIONSHIPS

A good relationship with your lawyer is critical. We do not compromise on expertise or our commitment to cases, but recognise that litigation is expensive and we work with our clients to ensure that this expense is managed in the most effective way possible.

SUCCESS

Maximise the successful outcome. Whether you are pursuing a claim concerning your reputation, for financial loss or professional negligence we have the skills and strength to help you succeed in achieving your objectives.

OTHER CORE SERVICES



EMPLOYMENT

Anticipate employment issues and deal with ones which have arisen. We advise employers and employees on all aspects of contentious and non-contentious employment law.

CORPORATE & COMMERCIAL

Buy and sell to greatest advantage. We assist with unquoted companies and businesses and provide advice on investing in companies and joint ventures of all kinds.

Go public. We are experienced in the flotation and listing of companies and other transactions on the AIM and PLUS markets.

Ensure your arrangements are watertight. We will prepare and advise on many types of agreement: the sale and purchase of goods and services, agency, distribution, franchising, sport, music and media, marketing and IT, computer and internet contracts.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Protect the intellectual property you have created. We advise on all aspects of the protection or exploitation of intellectual property rights, including patents for inventions, trade marks, design rights, database rights, copyright in written, musical and artistic works, confidential information, brand protection, image rights and databases.

VALUABLE ASSETS

Indulge yourself. We offer advice on all contractual and commercial issues associated with high value purchases from art and antiques to private jets and yachts.

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