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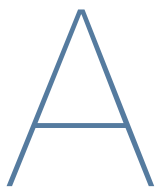
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# What is probate?



Probate is the estate administration process that takes place after a loved one has passed away. It is the role of an Executor to administer the estate; but many people don't understand what this involves. This is where we can help.

**Assured Probate Services is a valued arm of the APS Legal and Associates group.**

Since launching our Probate arm in 2012, our dedicated and fully qualified team handle over 100 cases a year. We have circa 300 qualified Probate Associates throughout the UK and over 500 qualified Will writing and estate planning Associates, making us one of the largest and most respected brands in the industry.

It is our very commitment to responsible estate administration that allows us to provide an incomparable structure, enabling us to offer one of the most comprehensive yet cost effective executor and probate services within the industry.

Since being wholly acquired in 2014 by the Simply Biz group, a group offering support to over 10,000 Financial Advisers, we are proud to say we work in a regulated way in a traditionally fragmented industry.



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*Executor and Probate Service*

## What's the role of an Executor?

**A**n executor is responsible for handling the administration of an estate after a loved one has passed away. They must do this following the deceased wishes, as stated in the Will, and distribute the assets accordingly. Often this is a daunting task and many executors don't know where to begin or how to do it in the correct way.

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## What if there is no Will?

**S**ometimes a loved one may pass away appointing a family member as their Executor, or they may sadly pass away without leaving a Will. In either instance, your estate has to be dealt with in accordance with either your Will or in accordance with the law, to ensure that your wishes and/or

those of your loved ones are adhered to, also in accordance with the rules and laws of probate. It is a worthwhile practice for your family to appoint a professional and an experienced firm to act on their behalf, to relieve the burden of administering your estate, which is a time consuming and sometimes-complex exercise.

For further information please speak to your **Assured Probate Services** executive.

**Alternatively please visit:**

**[www.aps-legal.co.uk](http://www.aps-legal.co.uk)** or contact us on **0845 430 4600**.



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