

## Your Tax, Trusts, Wills & Probate Team ("Private Client")



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Sue is the private client team leader and is dual qualified as a chartered tax adviser as well as a solicitor. Sue is also a member of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP). She holds a distinction in the STEP Advanced Diploma in UK Tax for International clients.



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John has wide experience in several sectors and is partner within the private client team. In his current role he takes appointments as Deputy, Attorney, Executor and Trustee. He has experience in the contentious aspect of private client work including various types of applications to the court of protection, probate disputes, inheritance disputes and trust litigation.



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Harriet is an associate solicitor in Steele Raymond's private client team. Harriet specialises in all aspects of estate administration and planning, including will drafting, lasting powers of attorney, enduring power of attorney registrations and court of protection applications. Harriet is also a member of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP).



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Laura is an associate solicitor in the private client team. Laura manages a caseload of probate and estate administration work, including will drafting, lasting power of attorney preparation, enduring power of attorney registration, court of protection applications, trust management and the management of people's affairs. Laura is an Associate Member of Solicitors for the Elderly (SFE).



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Melanie is an associate in Steele Raymond's private client team. She is a Chartered Legal Executive and a CILEX Probate Practitioner. Melanie has over 20 years' experience in acting for individuals and families in administering estates, preparing wills, trusts, powers of attorney and court of protection applications. Melanie is also a member of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP) and Solicitors for the Elderly (SFE). Melanie holds a distinction in the STEP Diploma in Advising Vulnerable Clients.



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Jennifer has worked for the firm since September 1984 and assists Sue, Harriet and Paul in wills, probate and estate administration matters.



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Paul is a Chartered Tax Adviser, a member of STEP and holds the STEP Advanced Certificate in the UK Taxation of International Clients. A former Law Society Council Member, he lectures from time to time on mainly taxation matters. He advises on most aspects of taxation, including business and agricultural property relief, excluded property trusts and various other off shore and non domiciliary issues affecting inheritance tax, capital gains tax and income tax.



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Aaron is a trainee solicitor and is currently based within the private client team, assisting on a wide range of matters such as wills, powers of attorney and tax.

*“ Thank you so much for all your work on my aunt's Estate. It was a very interesting journey, and we really appreciate your knowledge and expertise. I will certainly recommend your services if I have the opportunity. ”*

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