

## **INHERITANCE DISPUTES**

**A Will says what should happen to a person's property on their death. However sometimes what a Will says (or the lack of a Will) can result in an unexpected or unfair situation.**

**Also, those named to administer the estate are under a duty to act in the best interests of the beneficiaries and this too can lead to disputes.**

How we can help:-

### **Have you been left out of a Will?**

- The law says that people are free to leave their estates to anyone they wish. However, the law also provides that in certain circumstances you might be entitled to a share of a person's estate.
- It might be possible for financial provision to be made for you from the estate in spite of what the Will says.

### **What if a Will does not reflect the true wishes of a loved one?**

A Will must be made by a person who:

- Is of sound mind
- Is free from influence by others
- Understands and approves the contents of the Will

and will only be valid if certain specific formalities are complied with.

If you suspect that any of these requirements have not been met, it may be possible to challenge the Will.

### **Have you been named to administer an estate?**

- Do you know your responsibilities and rights?
- Did you know that the beneficiaries can challenge you if do not carry out your duties correctly?
- You may be personally liable.
- With our help, you can be sure that you will be doing it right.

At **Gill Akaster** we have the expertise and experience to represent your interests and achieve the best result for you.

Our Contentious Probate Specialists are experienced in:-

- getting justice for clients deprived of their proper rights
- drafting Wills and dealing with the administration of estates and so helping clients avoid problems in the first place.

Our main contact for this type of work is John Clarke who is an Associate Member of the Association of Contentious Trust and Probate Specialists (ACTAPS).

There are various ways of funding disputes of this kind. At **Gill Akaster** we may be able to deal with your particular matter under the Legal Aid Scheme. We are also able to deal with certain disputes of this kind on a No Win No Fee basis.

Contact us now for a no obligation discussion by telephoning John Clarke on 513558 or by email at [john.clarke@gillakaster.com](mailto:john.clarke@gillakaster.com)