

*We don't believe in law as usual
For us, law is inspiring...*

Our story

A number of years ago, we decided that we could change the way legal services are delivered. That we could do them better. At gunnercooke, we believe the potential of our clients and our people rests with our ability to free the law and make it work as it should. Today, we attract passionate lawyers and advise with authority: every gunnercooke lawyer has a minimum 10,000 hours practising experience.

Flexibility, transparency and freedom guide everything we do. Flexibility for our people to work how they want. Transparency of cost for our clients because we removed time recordings and billable hours. Freedom for our people and clients to achieve their personal and professional aspirations.

We work with clients that believe tradition is there to be tested, not obeyed. Working together, we help them seek opportunities and push the boundaries of what's possible.

Providing a suite of corporate and commercial legal services, gunnercooke is one of the UK's fastest-growing challenger brands. Proud of what we have achieved, committed to doing more.



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Overview

What she's best at

Fiona is a Wills, Trust and Tax Partner with over 19 years' experience in private client matters. Fiona is well respected for providing specialist advice in relation to Wills, Tax, Trusts, Probate, Lasting Powers of Attorney, Court of Protection, Deeds of Variation, Cross Border Estates, Foreign Property Tax, Domicile, Inheritance Tax Planning, Charity Law, Business Property Relief and Agricultural Property Relief.

Fiona regularly speaks at Seminars on Wills and Inheritance Tax for private individuals, companies, medical professionals, sports personalities and entertainers.

Since 2007, Fiona has presented Mencap's Planning for the Future Seminars throughout the North West.

Who she works for

- Families and Individuals
- Company Directors
- Business Owners
- Entrepreneurs
- Parents and Carers of children with learning disabilities
- Executors, Administrators and Trustees
- Medical Professionals
- Sports Personalities
- Entertainers
- International estates
- Firms of solicitors
- Accountants
- Independent Financial Advisers

Experience Highlights

- Acting for families in relation to Wills and Estate Planning.
- Advising parents/carers with children with learning disabilities as to the best way to structure their Wills and Trusts.
- Acting for clients with businesses in relation to their wills and protection of lump sum death benefits payable under pensions and life policies.
- Advising corporate clients in relation to their exit strategy.
- Acting for business owners in relation to obtaining and preserving business property relief.
- Acting for farming families in relation to obtaining and preserving agricultural property relief.
- Drafting deeds of variation to estates for those who died domiciled in United Arab Emirates, Switzerland, Germany and other jurisdictions.
- Dealing with more complex probate matters, including resealing grants, deeds of rectification, extracting grants de bonis non and ad colligenda grants.
- Dealing with cross border estates including Switzerland, Germany, Spain, France, Nigeria, the United States and other jurisdictions.
- Preparing Affidavits of Indian Law and German Law for court proceedings.
- Advising on the creation and administration of trusts.
- Advising on the creation and administration of charities.
- Creating and registering one of the first charitable incorporated organisations with the Charity Commission.
- Advising on and drafting trusts to protect lump sum death benefits received from pensions and life assurance policies.