

Kareem Cole

Associate



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Kareem studied his law degree at the University of East London, graduating in 2009, and completed his Legal Practice Course with a commendation at BPP in 2010. Kareem completed his training contract at a national brand legal services provider in Bristol and qualified as a solicitor in 2019. Kareem subsequently joined a firm in London.

Kareem joined Pinney Talfourd in 2021 and was made an associate in 2022.

Kareem is experienced in advising on administering estates that have Inheritance Tax and Capital Gains Tax liabilities and mitigating against those liabilities, estates with missing beneficiaries, and estates that include Wills with asset protection trusts. Kareem advises on preparing Wills to cater for vulnerable beneficiaries, children from previous relationships, and to protect property from care fees. Kareem also has experience of registering Lasting Powers of Attorney. Kareem is passionate about supporting people in a considerate way that is tailored to their needs.

EXPERTISE

Kareem's expertise covers:

WILLS

- [Wills](#)

LASTING POWERS OF ATTORNEY

- [Lasting Powers of Attorney](#)

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- Decisions affecting Property and Finances
- Decisions affecting health and welfare

PROBATE

- Probate
- Intestacy
- Executors
- Estate Administration Services

BADGES & AWARDS

Kareem is a full member (TEP) of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP) having completed his STEP Diploma in 2022 with merit. Within the Diploma, Kareem achieved a distinction in the STEP Advanced Certificate in the Administration of Estates, a merit in the STEP Advanced Certificate in the Administration of Trusts, and a merit in the STEP Advanced Certificate in the Taxation of Trusts and Estates.

Kareem is a Dementia Friend, having received training through the Alzheimer's Society's Dementia Friends programme to change people's perception of dementia.

ON A PERSONAL NOTE

On a personal note, in his spare time Kareem likes to participate in endurance sports, and is particularly enthusiastic about cycling and Ironman triathlon.

Areas of Expertise

Estate Administration Services

Notable Estate Administration Services cases

Advising on a multi-million pound estate that had a portfolio of 14 properties, which included residential properties, land for commercial use, and overseas property in Spain. There was a claim against the estate by the testator's former partner, and there was a £200,000 liability to Capital Gains Tax to mitigate.

Advising on a £1.2 million estate where there was a £28,000 liability to Capital Gains Tax and reducing the liability to nil by completing a deed of variation to include additional beneficiaries and completing a deed of appropriation to benefit from multiple Capital Gains Tax allowances.

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Acting on estate where the testator died leaving a valid simple Will but had failed to update their Will following the death of their wife. The testator's death resulted in a complex intestacy with over 45 beneficiaries, all of which had to be traced and many were based abroad.

Advising a family following their father's unexpected passing on the implications his intestacy resulted in an Inheritance Tax liability that would have required selling the family home to settle the liability. Subsequently preparing a deed of variation to pass the entire estate to the surviving spouse, thereby allowing the estate to pass free of Inheritance Tax and preserving the transferable Inheritance Tax allowances for the surviving spouse.

Acting on an estate that included several properties, cash assets held in a business and the estate was passing to the testator's two children who were both minors.

Wills

Notable Wills cases

Preparing Wills for a married couple who both had children from their previous relationships, and had agreed to ring fence specific assets for their respective children.

Preparing a Will for a person who was terminally ill, and no longer able to read or write.

Advising a married couple who had five children including one who was missing and another who was vulnerable due to living with a disability, around the benefits of leaving their estates into a discretionary trust.

Advising a married couple the potential impact of care fees on their estates in later life and preparing Wills to protect some assets, including a share of the family home, being subject to care fees should the surviving spouse need care, ensuring that some assets pass onto their children and grandchildren.

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Memberships

- STEP

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