

The National Will Register's

Membership Guide



Will search

The National Will Register's will search services helps you check if a will was made or confirm you have the most up-to-date version to correctly administer an estate.

We have several will search options that you can use to find a will, including;

- Will Register Search
- Will Search Combined / Court of Protection
- REACH Will Search
- Will Search Protect
- NWR Financial Profile Premium

- **Search approximately half of all wills in the UK**
- **We save law firms approximately £27.25m in contested probate cases each year**
- **We find more than 1,000 wills that would otherwise go unfound each year**

Will registration

Will drafting and estate administration work are key elements of client services for thousands of law firms across the UK. The full potential of a firm's forecasted wills and probate income can be threatened if a will is not registered.

Registering wills with The National Will Register protects the testator, executors and beneficiaries by ensuring that the will can be located upon death.

98% of law firms surveyed said their will bank included wills where the testator had died and they had not received the probate work.

Some law firms believed that this was because the testator had made a later will elsewhere. This highlights the importance of law firms checking for a later will and not just proceeding with the will they are presented with.

- Registering your will bank for free when you join as a member **maximises its potential** by re-engaging your clients
- It's **quick and easy** to register a will, and The National Will Register does not see or store a copy of the will

Wills management made easy with TOUCH

TOUCH is a bespoke and unique will management system with integrated marketing capabilities and much more, including:

- Solicitor checklists
- Precedent letters
- Marketing literature
- Industry news

When you join The National Will Register your firm will receive unlimited FREE access to TOUCH for unlimited users (we do not charge license fees).

TOUCH not only connects you directly to The National Will Register but also acts as your own internal will register.

- As part of your TOUCH account, you can see our **marketing collateral**, which includes a media pack, accredited member logo, client facing letters and much more
- It's **quick and easy** to register and search for wills directly in your TOUCH account with our brand new dashboard

Why become a member?

Thousands of solicitors already use The National Will Register to protect themselves and their clients against unnecessary risk.

The National Will Register is proven to help law firms of all sizes to grow a profitable wills and probate practice by increasing will writing business and helping to ensure firms receive the probate work from the wills they write.

Key benefits include:

Free will bank registration

Instant register search

Will bank digitisation discount

Free marketing materials

Dedicated account manager

Exposure opportunities

What our members say

“We conduct a will search on most of our cases as part of the estate distribution process. It is good to know that a deceased’s wishes are being followed and especially in the case of an intestacy it is good to have the peace of mind that all has been done to locate the will.”

Carly Dartnell, Head of Private Client - Taylor Haldane Barlex LLP

“We have chosen to join The National Will Register as it will allow us to add further value to the service we provide to our clients. The searches will help to mitigate the risks for administrators of estates and will registration will provide additional comfort to our clients that their wishes will be followed.”

Alice Clewes, Partner - Hay & Kilner LLP

“Joining The National Will Register allows our clients the option to register their Will to increase their chances of having their most up to date Will proved to benefit their intended loved ones and/or charities.”

Bik-Ki Wong, Partner & Head of Wills, Trusts and Probate - Myerson Solicitors

What is The National Will Register?

The National Will Register is the UK's will registration and will search service. Working with and endorsed by The Law Society since 2006, we have become an invaluable service to more than 5,500 private client solicitors in ensuring best practice when it comes to probate matters.

Since our inception in 2006, we have worked in partnership with legal professionals to provide certainty to testators, executors and beneficiaries nationwide.

Membership not only provides law firms with a proven range of benefits but also fundamentally protects both firms and clients by minimising the risk of another will being discovered after the estate has been distributed.

- More than **half of all UK wills** are registered with The National Will Register
- Used by more than **5,500 private client solicitors in the UK** to ensure best practice
- Trusted by and working with The Law Society since **2006**



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