



Introduction

MacLeish Littlestone Cowan, solicitors is a long established and well-respected law firm that provides a wide range of high quality legal services from offices located in Ilford, Barking, Snaresbrook and Sawbridgeworth.

MLC provides all clients with personal attention no matter their level of business and believes that every client should be treated professionally and is entitled to experienced, efficient and prompt services. The firm seeks to satisfy its clients' professional needs with competence and confidence and many of its clients are longstanding and have developed strong relationships with the firm over many years.

The firm uses the most up to date technology enabling it to provide high quality service levels.

Background

Established for more than 15 years, MLC is one of the fastest growing firms in Essex and Hertfordshire. It has a reputation for being friendly and efficient, providing legal services to its local communities as well as to national and international clients.

MLC's solicitors have considerable experience in their practice areas.

MLC staff come from diverse backgrounds and the firm is multi-cultural and proud of its cultural diversity.

The firm seeks to recruit the best talent irrespective of race, religion or disability.

The Team

MLC personnel work in teams either in each office or inter-office on transactions that need additional resources. Our teams seek to provide legal services tailored to meet fully our client's expectations and requirements.

All our teams are supervised and managed by partners.

Our philosophy is to provide our clients with the best service at the best price using professional staff at levels suited to the advice required.

We ensure that both our fees and the services we provide are transparent and fully understood by our clients.

Our lawyers comprise of energetic well-trained enthusiastic professionals who provide a personal service however complicated or straightforward the transaction.

Each of our offices is managed by a partner who has overall responsibility for the office and the staff within it. We ensure consistency of service levels.

All our staff attend required training courses in their fields of practice. On-going training is an important part of our philosophy.



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Our Services

Our professional staff have a wealth of experience and offer practical and up to date knowledge on all aspects of the practice areas they cover.

We use the latest technology to ensure our services are delivered in a timely way.

Our practice areas are divided into Business Law services and Lifestyle Law services.

Business law services include commercial property, company and commercial law, business formation, debt recovery, ADR and dispute resolution, employment law and all aspects of commercial litigation.

Lifestyle Law services include residential property sales and purchase, re-mortgaging, wealth management including equity release, family and matrimonial law, tax and estate planning, wills and probate and administration.

More details on our services can be found overleaf.

Our Clients

The firm acts for a wide range of clients including first time home buyers, property developers and investors, individuals and businesses.

We value each of our clients and seek to provide all of them with the same quality of service.

Whether your needs are personal or relate to your business, we will provide the resources to ensure your needs are satisfied and that your legal requirements are fulfilled.

Lifestyle Law Services

Re-mortgaging and Equity Release

This increasingly popular method of releasing the capital tied up in our property can be stressful and often complicated. Our team will help you understand the various options available and endeavour to ensure that the transaction is completed as smoothly as possible.

Family Law

Our family law team provide advice on all aspects of relationships including:

- divorce
- same sex relationships
- pre-nuptial agreements
- cohabitation
- domestic violence issues
- civil partnerships

Home sales and purchases

Buying or selling a property is often the most major financial transaction you will be involved in. The process can be stressful and involved. Our teams try to make the process as stress-free and smooth as possible. We advise on all aspects of buying and selling homes and act for sellers, buyers and mortgage companies.

Wealth Management

Inheritance tax can be mitigated by planning ahead and executing an appropriate will that enables you to take advantage of various reliefs and exemptions permitted by the legislation. We can advise you on the options available to help you plan and structure your estate effectively.

Wills Trusts and Probate

Our team can advise you on all aspects of wills, trusts, and probate, administration of estates, and Enduring and Lasting Powers of Attorneys and Incapacity.



“our team will help you understand the various options available to you”

A man in a dark suit and white shirt is seen from the back, holding a mobile phone to his ear. He is looking out over a dense city skyline with many skyscrapers. The entire image has a blue color cast. A dark blue rectangular box is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing white text.

*“committed to providing
practical commercial advice”*

Business Law Services

We are committed to providing practical commercial advice to our clients and to represent their interests in an increasingly complex business environment.

We provide a wide range of businesses in the following key area.

Commercial Property

We can deal with all aspects of commercial property from acquisition and disposal including commercial development, residential development, commercial leases, property management, secured lending and property disputes.

Commercial Law

We provide advice on a wide range of commercial agreements including buying and selling companies and businesses, commercial contracts, trading and agency agreements, partnership, shareholder and joint venture agreements.

ADR and Dispute Resolution

We always seek to provide practical and commercial advice in resolving disputes. We have extensive experience of resolving disputes with or without recourse to the courts.

Employment law

Employers, employees and HR professionals can rely on us to provide sensible and practical advice on employment matters including representation before employment tribunals and other courts, dealing with unfair and wrongful dismissal claims, redundancy matters and employment contracts and terms of employment.

Litigation services

We provide a wide range of litigation services. Litigation is expensive, time consuming and its outcome can be uncertain. It is important to receive clear practical advice and we ensure our clients are fully advised on the implications of proceedings before courts and tribunals.

What our clients say

“I have been a client of the firm for many years and have always been delighted with the service.

They always try to help”

Mr A Smith, Position Company

“Fast and efficient. They care and really try and provide the best advice.”

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“They are sensitive to the issues and provide a personal service that understands the client’s needs.”

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