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Panel Memberships

We've worked hard over the last year to expand our network of mortgage panel memberships and are pleased to announce that in addition to panel memberships for NatWest, Barclays and HSBC (and their subsidiaries), we are now also in the panels for the Co-Operative Bank, Virgin Money and TSB Bank.

Initial Consultations...

We continue to offer our Initial Consultations free of charge!! In addition to this we are also **now open on Saturdays between 11am and 1pm** so that those of you who are unavailable during the week can visit us on the weekend!! This is just another one of the ways we like to keep our clients first! So give us a call on **020 8470 8818** to book your free, no obligation initial consultation!

Last Will & Testaments

We have recently decided to reduce our Will Drafting fees to only £150.00 plus VAT and £250.00 plus VAT if you want to commission a mirror will with your partner.

The Law Society also encourages all testators to register the existence of their will with the National Will Registry. This costs a mere £30.00 inc VAT and creates a record of your most recent will with a national organization.

Please contact us on 020 8470 8818 for more information!!

Disclaimer – Please note the above fees are adjustable at our discretion.

Immigration Changes!!

In a shakeup of the Immigration rules in April of this year, the Home Office has thrown another curveball by making changes to all forms and made variations in all fees payable. If you are hoping to make an in country or out of country application for yourself, spouse or family member, please contact our offices where we can provide you with expert advice in this regard.

NB Drastic changes to immigration rules dictate that any individual hoping to marry a person without leave to remain in the UK will most likely be investigated by way of an interview by the Home Office.

Unfortunately recent cases we have dealt with have been where

CQS Accreditation

We've worked hard over the last year to add to our list of Law Society Accreditations and are proud to announce that in addition to our LEXCEL and Immigration & Asylum Accreditations, we are also now accredited with the Law Society's Conveyancing Quality Scheme (CQS). This means we are a part of a small number of firms who are recognized by the Law Society as able to offer expert Conveyancing services!!

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individuals without leave have been arrested and served with removal directions **before our intervention!!** We have the expertise to stop this course of action and urge anyone without leave and who is hoping to marry to **contact us prior to their nuptials!!**

Land Registry Portal

We have recently joined the Land Registry Portal through which we can register your purchase/transfer transactions ONLINE!! While this slightly increases our workload, it is of great benefit to you as the **Land Registration fee REDUCES by 50%** through this method of registration!!