

NOTICE SEARCHING FOR THE WHEREABOUTS OF A MISSING WILL

Guidance Notes and Form of Advertisement

We advise initially placing the advertisement in the Law Society Gazette (which has a 'Wills and Whereabouts' column specifically for these notices) and in a local newspaper in the area in which the deceased was last resident. It may be helpful to also place advertisements in any other area in which you believe the deceased may have made or deposited a Will - we can select effective newspapers for this purpose.

Additionally, the advertisement could also be placed in The London Gazette, or in a national newspaper. Advertising in a national newspaper will generally be significantly more expensive than the other options.

We suggest structuring the advertisement to include the following (where known):

- the name of the deceased
- previous names (eg in the case of a married woman)
- their last known address
- the date of death

To avoid 'timewasters', it may be advisable not to include the following, but it is at your discretion:
 n the housenumber of the last known address
 n a contact telephone number

A typical advertisement, constructed to the above guidelines, might read:

"EDMONDS (nee SMITH) Would anyone knowing of the whereabouts of a Will made by the late Christine Jean Edmonds (nee Smith), last resident in Tyne Road, Oxford who died in 1998, aged 76, please contact Wxyz & Company (Solicitors), of 123 High Street, Oxford OX1 1AA, ref: TYH/6."

Please type your advertisement in this space - it will usually appear in a style similar to that shown on the right in local newspapers, and in the 'house style' of the Law Society Gazette or national newspapers

(surname of deceased)

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who died in _____, aged _____, please contact

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Please clearly indicate in the boxes the publications you require the advertisement to appear in:

<p>Law Society Gazette <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>The London Gazette <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Local or National newspaper(s): <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Please give circulation area(s) or name of newspaper(s) required</p>	<p>TMP Worldwide have a wide variety of other forms and information relating to Statutory Advertising, available on request</p> <p>Note: Delete any publications or boxes not required For help with completing the form or selecting publications call 020 8527 6100</p> <p>Signed: _____ Dated: _____</p>

Return this form to us for publication, with a covering letter or compliment slip, at the following address

Park House, 5 Jubilee Avenue, Highams Park, London E4 9JD

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