

Wills, Estates & Trust Lawyers

Without a proper will and estate plan, your intentions may not be carried out and your intended beneficiaries may not benefit.

Everyone needs a will. At McKenzie Lake Lawyers LLP, we prepare wills of all levels of complexity to allow you to minimize estate taxes, provide for your family and ensure that your wishes are carried out.

Whether simple or complex, wills and powers of attorney are the essential elements of a good estate plan. Without a proper will and estate plan, the law will dictate who has the authority to make decisions on behalf of you or your estate and who will ultimately benefit from your death. This can lead to increased tax liabilities for your estate, costly family disputes, and unnecessary delays in the administration of your estate.

Comprehensive estate planning is the best way to ensure that both you and your loved ones are protected. By creating a will, you will be able to choose the person responsible for managing your estate as well as when and how your beneficiaries will receive their inheritance. By signing Powers of Attorney, you will be able to appoint trusted substitute decision makers who can make decisions on your behalf while you are living if you become mentally incapable of making your own decisions. Proper estate planning ensures that your wishes will be followed and that your assets will be managed and distributed in accordance with your instructions.

Our specialized team of wills, estates and trusts lawyers has decades of

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experience developing estate plans and establishing trusts. We will work with your accountant and financial advisor to ensure that your intentions are carried out.

Our Team of Lawyers Will Guide You

If you've been named as executor in a will, our team will guide you through the administrative duties and court process required to distribute and wind-up an estate. If a dispute arises, our lawyers are trained in alternative dispute resolution techniques that can resolve disputes quickly, efficiently, privately and without the costs of litigation. However, sometimes litigation is necessary or unavoidable. If that is the case, our litigation lawyers can provide you with the expert representation that you need.

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Experienced Trusts & Estate Lawyers

Our specialized team of trusts and estates lawyers can:

- Prepare your will or multiple wills



- Draft or enforce powers of attorney for property and health
- Create a tax-efficient estate plan
- Establish trusts for families, special needs trusts, dependent children or charities
- Develop a succession plan for family-owned businesses
- Form professional corporations and limited partnerships
- Resolve disputes through alternative dispute resolution methods and litigation

In addition to servicing our new and existing clients, McKenzie Lake Lawyers also stores estate planning documents for the following firms and lawyers who have retired from the practice of law:

- *Terrance Belanger*
- *Sarah Brouwer*
- *Brian Chapman*
- *Jed Chinneck/Chinneck Law*
- *Linda Fowler*
- *Eugene Sawchuk*
- *Richard Van Dop*
- *Gary Wilson*

Contact Us

For any inquiries with respect to wills, estates and trusts, please contact a member of our team in London, Ontario by [email](#) or by phone at [\(519\) 672-5666](#). If corresponding by email, be sure to include your name, your telephone number, and a brief message.

