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solicitors


**Let our first class
legal services
provide a clear
way ahead**

Business, Personal and Spanish Legal Services



Providing you with a healthy environment for business growth

Business Legal Services



Our commercial solicitors work for a wide variety of local businesses and organisations ranging from small charities to national retailers. Whatever the context, we will give you a personal service with advice that is tailored to take into account your business needs.

You can be sure of practical, innovative and effective solutions to your problems, provided by lawyers with extensive experience of commercial matters.

Commercial Property

If you need help with freehold or leasehold property transactions we can assist whether you are the buyer, seller, landlord or tenant. This extends to helping landlords with the preparation of leases or the management of tenants. We also act for tenants, and deal with financing issues and all forms of agricultural transactions.

Development Property

We have extensive experience advising business owners with the sale or purchase of property for development, including in respect of option agreements, overage and conditional contracts. Infrastructure and planning is also an integral part of the service we offer.

Company Law

Whether your business is a listed PLC or private company, sole trader, partnership, co-operative or mutual, our team can advise from start-up, through growth and restructuring, to sale and retirement.

Commercial Contracts

Our experienced team can help you manage your business contracts with suppliers and customers, whether it's drawing up terms, resolving disputes or protecting your interests. This extends to bespoke complex project agreements, agency, franchise and distribution arrangements.

Charities and the Education Sector

We have worked with charities, schools and ecclesiastical bodies for many years, providing advice on everything from charity formation to the management and disposal of assets. We also provide legal services for a number of regional educational bodies, from private schools to religious education providers. Our team can also assist with child protection and safeguarding issues.

Employment Law

Our employment lawyers can help you with guidance on HR issues like grievance and disciplinary matters, employment contracts, absence management and stress claims, TUPE and business restructuring.

IT and Intellectual Property

Whether you are involved in the cutting edge of the information technology industry or are a company in another sector struggling to understand how to protect your website from copyright infringement, our commercial lawyers can help.

Business Defence and Prosecution


With years of experience behind them, you can be confident in getting the right advice from our lawyers on matters including fraud, corporate manslaughter, health and safety, alcohol and gaming licences and road safety compliance.

Debt Recovery and Insolvency

Our team specialises in helping organisations to recover outstanding debts, including through High or County Court proceedings if necessary. We can also help you put in place measures to protect against the risk of carrying long-term debt and advise on consumer credit agreements. We also have expertise in providing advice for best practice to avoid insolvency.


Dispute Resolution

If you are in a hard-to-resolve dispute with a shareholder, partner, employee, customer, supplier, landlord or tenant in connection with your business, we can help you to resolve that dispute either by negotiation, mediation or, if necessary, court action.



**Climb above the
confusion with
clear and simple
legal advice**

Personal Legal Services



When you and your family need legal help, you need to know that you are getting the best possible advice, experienced representation and a friendly, approachable lawyer who understands your situation and concerns.

Our experienced lawyers know their field but we also pride ourselves on our modern, approachable style and clear communications. We always try to make the process of dealing with a solicitor less intimidating than has traditionally been the case.

Wills, Trusts and Probate

Our team will help you to prepare for the uncertainty of what lies ahead, from writing a will and helping with tax planning, creating and running powers of attorney to helping you plan for the prospect of paying for long term care costs.

Family

We can help you with a pre-nuptial or cohabitation agreement, support during divorce or separation, advice on arrangements for children, or validating a marriage undertaken abroad - often on a fixed-fee basis so you can avoid any unexpected costs.

Conveyancing

We help your property sale or purchase to proceed as quickly and smoothly as possible. Additionally, our team can assist in drawing up leases for the letting of property, and with remortgaging or other ways to release equity from your home.

Personal Injury

If you have been injured as a result of negligence, for example in a road traffic accident or an accident at work, we may be able to help you to obtain damages for your injuries. We can also defend you if someone makes a claim for damages against you.

Dispute Resolution

At some point in our lives many of us will end up in a hard-to-resolve dispute with a neighbour, a tenant or someone we are doing business with. Our team can help you to resolve disputes like this, in most cases through negotiation or, if necessary, via court action.

Employment Law

Knowing your rights as an employee is essential when faced with an issue at work, as is having the specialist legal support. Whether you are already facing some kind of action against you, or if you need clarification on a work-related problem and advice on how to proceed, we can help.

Mental Health Issues

The law in this area can be complicated, so we aim to help our clients and their loved ones through the legal procedures, leaving them to concentrate on getting better and returning to their lives in the community and outside of hospital.

Crime and Defence

We have the largest team specialising in criminal matters in the region. As well as being on call 24 hours a day to attend the police station to represent you, we also represent our clients in all courts.


Motoring Offences

Many of us occasionally fall foul of road traffic law and commit a motoring offence. You may wish to contest charges and our team of specialist lawyers will represent you to give you the best chance of avoiding disqualification. We also have great expertise in saving peoples' licences, despite guilty pleas, to enable them to continue at work supporting their families.



**Let our Spanish
law specialists
help you keep
out of the shade**

Spanish Legal Services



We have a well-established team that brings together our experience on Spanish legal matters, our relationships with a number of Spanish contacts, and the promise of simple communications in English.

The Spanish Legal Services team, comprising Spanish and English lawyers and solicitors, can advise you on your personal situation and business matters.

Buying Property

Our team will steer you through all of the various stages of the process, from obtaining a 'nota simple' from the land registry in order to make sure that the seller is the registered owner of the property, to arranging for you to be represented at completion of the purchase.

Selling Property

We can manage your sale transaction through every stage, beginning with ensuring that all of the necessary documents are in order and arranging a valuation of the property. Our team can also draft the sales contract, supervise the completion of the sale and registration at the land registry, and ensure that any tax is correctly paid on your behalf to avoid any penalties.

Spanish Property Health Check Service

This service is for existing Spanish property owners who want to check that their investment is in order. The service includes a full review of the legal status of the property, a check of the deeds and taxes, a review of any letting arrangements or proposals and translation of important documents.

Preparing a Spanish Will

It is vital that anyone owning property in the UK and Spain has a separate will in each country. Our team will ensure that you have a will valid in Spain, navigating the complications of the Spanish system by having your will notarised, legalised and registered so that your beneficiaries will not encounter any difficulties.

Managing Your Spanish Taxes

Your ownership of a property in Spain is subject to several national and local taxes, and our advice can ensure that you don't pay too much tax or become subject to non-payment fines. We can also safeguard against overpayment of inheritance tax, as we understand the tax laws in each of Spain's 17 autonomous regions that administer this area of taxation.

Doing Business in Spain

If you do business with Spanish companies our team can help you, from fundamental contract issues to helping you recover debts. Likewise, if you are looking to set up a business or establish a branch of your existing company in Spain or to engage in commercial agency we can help you with all the necessary issues, including taxation, intellectual property, insurance, commercial property and banking arrangements.

Litigation in Spain

If you run into trouble, be it in your personal or business lives, we are able to ensure your peace of mind through innovative use of the Spanish legal system.

Hunt & Coombs is an established law firm offering a full range of company and personal legal services, with a speciality also in Spanish law.

From our offices in Peterborough, Oundle and Huntingdon we serve our local communities with a refreshingly modern and personal touch, backed up by professionalism and expertise that even the biggest companies rely on.

With almost 100 legal and support staff, impressive accreditations across numerous professional bodies and an especially transparent fees structure, our culture and standards make us the ideal place for you to come whenever you need legal advice or practical support.

We hope this brochure gives you a useful summary of our work and we invite you to visit us at www.hcsolicitors.co.uk for more detailed information.



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