

## Private Client

### Our core services

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#### What they say

*"Charles Russell LLP's ten-partner team is renowned for its 'top-rate level of service and excellent knowledge', and noted for its ability to 'attract people of a high calibre'." (Legal 500, 2010)*

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*"Charles Russell LLP has a comprehensive and 'user-friendly' private client practice capable of advising on complex domestic and international trusts and tax structuring, aided on the international side by the firm's offices in Geneva and Bahrain." (Legal 500, 2011)*

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#### Our core private client services

- Tax
  - Succession planning and wealth structuring
  - Property
  - Property Acquisition and Consultancy
  - Family Office
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#### Clients

Our clients include individuals, trustees, banks, charities and other institutions from across the world.

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Charles Russell is a leading law firm based in London with regional and overseas offices, providing a wide range of legal services to companies, institutions and individuals both nationally and internationally. We focus on a number of sectors including Private Wealth and Family.

Within Private Wealth, we have particular expertise in the following areas:

#### Tax

We take time to understand your specific circumstances, family situation and business and financial arrangements and bring the experience of our dedicated team to bear on the efficient structuring of your financial affairs. Our areas of expertise include:

- Advising clients based in the UK and abroad on how to mitigate their exposure to inheritance, capital gains and other UK taxes.
- Assisting wealthy internationally mobile individuals in the development of effective international tax planning strategies.
- Immigration and emigration planning.

#### Succession planning and wealth structuring

Succession planning may involve complex family circumstances, a diversity of international cross-border issues and assets situated in a variety of different jurisdictions throughout the world. The assets to be considered can be wide-ranging including, by way of example, an international or a UK based business, overseas or UK residential property, farmland or heritage property in the UK. We can assist with:

- Estate planning in the UK and abroad (including wills in relation to UK assets).
- The use of offshore structures to assist wealth management and preservation, including trusts and other alternatives.
- Trust issues for trustees, settlors and beneficiaries from all over the world.
- Shari'a compliant trusts and wills.
- UK probate for individuals living in the UK and abroad.

#### Property

We advise clients regarding UK property transactions both for occupation and investment. Our particular areas of expertise include:

- English residential & investment property acquisition and disposal.
- Legal advice on UK inward property investment.
- Advice on property financing arrangements.
- Leasehold enfranchisement.
- French, Spanish and Portuguese conveyancing.
- Project management acquisition for international residential developments.
- Property acquisition and consultancy

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#### Awards

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Our expertise is recognised by the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP), the leading worldwide professional body for practitioners in the fields of trusts, estates and related matters, as Private Client London Legal Team of the Year



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#### More information

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#### Family Office

We provide family office services to cater specifically for a wide range of needs of wealthy families with national and cross-border interests.

#### Other services

Other areas of expertise include:

- Philanthropy
- Trust and fiduciary disputes
- Incapacity and court of protection work
- Agriculture and landed estates
- Heritage property
- Immigration
- Trust administration
- British Virgin Islands legal advice

In addition to the above private client services, our clients frequently make use of other services provided by the Firm including:

- Family
- Commercial real estate
- Corporate and commercial, including corporate tax
- Employment and pensions
- Litigation and dispute resolution

More detailed information about all of these services is available on request.