



HATTEN WYATT

Announcement

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With effect from 1 August 2014 the Partners of the Hatten Wyatt Group are pleased to announce Nigel Edwards and Company will be incorporated into the practice of Morlings.

Morlings Solicitors, established in Maidstone over 60 years ago, operate from the centre of Maidstone. The Partners and staff at the firm have built a strong reputation in the area and pride themselves on offering an efficient and approachable service to a loyal client base.

Hatten Wyatt, established in 1844, has undergone significant changes over the past decade, since its acquisition in 2003 by Jasvinder Singh Gill, Senior Partner at Hatten Wyatt, including the incorporation of Church Bruce Gravesend (2008), Morlings (2013), along with the launch of new products and services.

The growth and strength of the Hatten Wyatt Group lay testament to the considerable time and effort the firm has put into its service offering for the local residents of Kent. Hatten Wyatt plays a key role in the local community and sees

this as an important part of their growth and future.

Further information on our range of services and news can be found on our website www.hatten-wyatt.com or obtained from our offices.

The location, reputation and well established roots of the Hatten Wyatt Group further support and enhance the firms values ensuring continued growth of the group in Maidstone and Kent.

Nigel Edwards, Managing Partner of Nigel Edwards and Company comments *"This is a fantastic opportunity and we look forward to working with our new colleagues at Morlings and the wider Hatten Wyatt Group."*

Nigel Edwards and Company will move into the Morlings offices in King Street, Maidstone.

Jasvinder, comments *"I'm delighted to have Nigel Edwards and Company on board strengthening the Morlings offering in the local area"*

The depth of services and experience available will be further enhanced with a team of 24 fee earners, 11 of which are Partners and the following service offering:

- Business Services
- Charities
- Civil Liberties
- Civil Litigation
- Commercial Property
- Company Commercial
- Complete Legal Care
- Court of Protection
- Crime
- Debt Recovery
- Employment
- Family
- Immigration & Emigration
- Licensing
- Mediation
- Non-Resident Indian (NRI)
- Personal Injury
- Powers of Attorney
- Probate
- Professional Negligence
- Residential Conveyancing
- Trusts
- Wills

Both sites have been awarded Mediation Contracts by the Legal Services Commission.

Further information can be found on the Hatten Wyatt website:
www.hatten-wyatt.com



Meet the Partners



Jasvinder Singh Gill, Senior Partner

(Business Services, Civil Litigation and Employment)

Jasvinder is overall responsible for Hatten Wyatt, he read Law at the University of East London graduating with an LL.B (Hons) (1995). Undertaking Legal Practice Course at the College of Law (1996). Jasvinder read International, Commercial & European Law at Sheffield University graduating with an LL.M (1997). Jasvinder qualified in 1999 with Lucas & Co. In 2003 he joined Hatten Wyatt as Senior Partner where he managed the incorporation of Church Bruce (2008). Jasvinder undertook the Diploma in Notarial Practice at Cambridge University graduating 2010. May 2011 Jasvinder became Partner at Hatten Wyatt Notaries LLP; he is also President of Gravesend & District Law Society.



Karen du Rocher, Partner

(Commercial and Residential Property, Lasting Powers of Attorney and Court of Protection Property)

Karen qualified as a Solicitor in 1988 after reading Law at Newcastle Upon Tyne University and undertaking her Solicitor finals at the College of Law, Chancery Lane. Karen was a Partner from 1990 - 2001 at a well-respected law firm in Kent before joining Hatten Wyatt in September 2004 becoming a Partner the following year.



Nigel Edwards, Partner

(Non-contentious)

Nigel qualified and graduated at Birmingham University in 1977. Having served his articles in Mayfair, he then went on to join Neville Brabon Solicitors in Bexhill opening a branch office in Maidstone, he subsequently acquired the office in 1983.



Maxine Braham, Partner

(Private Clients)

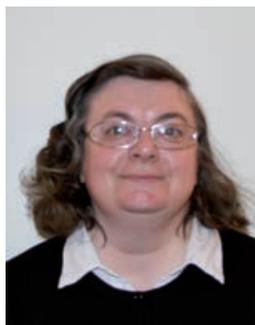
Maxine read Social Sciences (majoring in Sociology) at Southbank Polytechnic graduating 1990. Maxine obtained a Graduate Diploma in Law at the University of Westminster (2001) and completed the Legal Practice Course at the College of Law (London) (2003). Maxine is currently studying for the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioner's Diploma (STEP).



Julian Cripps, Partner

(Residential Conveyancing, Wills, Probate and Lasting Powers of Attorney)

Julian qualified as a Solicitor in 1978 after graduating from Birmingham University and taking the Law Society qualifying exams. He has always dealt with a wide range of non-contentious matters, initially specialising in personal injury defendant work, managing a branch office for a number of years in the West Midlands, before joining Morlings (1986) where he became a Partner in 1990.



Avril Croud, Partner

(Family)

Avril read English at Exeter University, qualifying with a BA (Hons). Avril undertook the Solicitor's Final Exams at College of Law, Chancery Lane, London (1986) securing articles with Emmerson Brown and Brown, qualifying in 1988. Avril joined Hatten Wyatt's Family Department (1999) and became Partner in 2004. Further to Avri's credit, she was amongst the first Solicitors to be admitted to The Law Society's Family Panel, and is also currently a member of Resolution (formerly Solicitor's Family Law Association) and an Advanced Member of the Law Society's Family Law Panel.



Richard Giles, Partner

(Civil Litigation, Personal Injury, Estate Disputes, Debt Recovery and Employment)

Richard read Humanities (French, English and philosophy) at Huddersfield Polytechnic and Law in Birmingham, where he gained his professional qualifications. Richard took articles at High and Company in Cheshire and qualified as a solicitor in 1990. He then went on to practice in the field of Civil Litigation at 2 firms in the North West of England, including 3 years specialising in the area of child abuse claims. Richard joined Church Bruce (2004) as an Associate Solicitor becoming a Partner at Hatten Wyatt in 2010.



Keith Middleton, Partner

(Criminal)

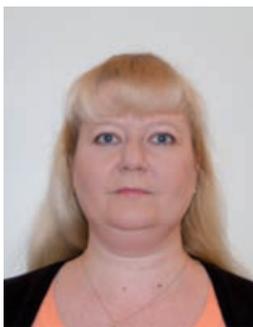
Keith Middleton qualified as a solicitor in 1985 and has been a Partner since 1995. He undertakes all aspects of criminal law and motoring offences. He is a member of the Solicitors Association of Higher Court Advocates and Criminal Law Solicitors' Association. He is a duty solicitor for the Maidstone area and a Legal Services Commission accredited Supervisor for the unified Criminal Contract.



Nicholas Steele, Partner

(Commercial and Residential property)

Nicholas was admitted as a solicitor (1975), after attending the College of Law and passing the Law Society Qualifying Examinations, joining Morlings in 1967, serving his articles of clerkship and becoming a Partner in 1980.



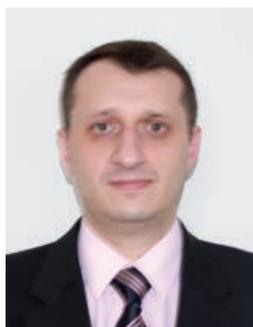
Sara Williams, Partner

(Criminal and Immigration)

Sara read law at the University of Wales, Cardiff College, graduating with an LLB (Hons) in 1995.

Sara attended the Inns of Court School of Law, being a member of Lincoln's Inn, and was called to the Bar in 1996. Subsequently, Miss Williams was employed at Simmons & Simmons, Litigation Department.

Sara joined Hewitt Burroughs criminal department (1999) where she completed the Qualified Lawyers Transfer Test and was admitted in 2001. Sara joined Hatten Wyatt's criminal department in 2002 becoming head of the Criminal Department in 2006 and Partner in 2007.



Selwyn Yousif, Partner

(Company Commercial Law)

Selwan studied Law at the University of East London from 1995 until 1998 and went on to undertake the Legal Practice course at the University of Westminster 2005- 2006. In 2009 he was admitted as a Solicitor by The Law Society. Selwyn gained his experience working within the field of corporate law for one of the UK's largest telecommunication companies and via a number of notable law firms. Between 2007- 2012 Selwyn was a Solicitor at Kaslers, joining Hatten Wyatt in 2012 becoming Partner in 2013.



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