



Outdoor Clerk

Housing Management & Property Litigation

The Firm

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Job purpose

To assist the Litigation and Housing Management Department by preparing court documents, delivering them to court and attending hearings and to also provide assistance and support with projects/adhoc duties in line with the department’s objectives.

Main Duties and Responsibilities of the Role:

- Preparing Trial Bundles for Court;
- Attending Court – summarising the hearing and judgement given;
- Issuing and filing Court proceedings;
- Liaising with clients, barristers and solicitors at Court;
- Clerking trials including taking accurate minutes;
- Serving papers ;
- Issuing of writs;
- Making general enquiries regarding case progression;
- Supporting the fee earners within the litigation team with ad hoc tasks on their matters;
- Copying and sorting files;
- E-Filing documentation;
- Appearing at short hearings before a master/District Judge.
- Assisting with the preparation and progression of simple injunctions and possession actions;
- Creating and managing Case Reports to send to clients;
- Being a first point of contact for clients when other fee-earners are on annual leave;
- Organising the Housing Management & Property Litigation Team meetings and social events;
- Overseeing updates to the Court System.

This is not an exhaustive list and from time to time it may be necessary to vary these to meet the department and business needs.

Person Specification

Essential

- 5 GCSE's or equivalent at grade C or above, including English and Maths and A-Levels or BTEC;
- Good Literacy and Numerical Skills;
- Working Knowledge of Word;
- Excellent Time Management Skills ;
- Ability to show initiative and work without supervision;
- Ability to understand and interpret complex information and able to summarise and convey this information in a clear manner;
- Outgoing, confident manner;
- Diligent;
- Personable;
- Willingness to learn;
- A high attention to detail to process and file documentation to a consistently high standard;
- Excellent communication skills, verbal and face-to-face;
- Ability to prioritise workload to increase efficiency for the team;
- Ability to be flexible and adapt to the requirements of the team;
- Reliable, enthusiastic, trustworthy and proactive team player with a "can do" attitude.

Desirable

- 6 months minimum experience within a similar role and achieved within a professional services environment (preferably law);
- Working knowledge of Microsoft Outlook and Excel;
- Knowledge of CE-File;
- 2:2 or above achieved at A-Level.

If you would like further details or wish to apply for this position please email your CV and covering letter direct to legal.recruit@devonshires.co.uk and also complete the diversity monitoring questionnaire which can be accessed by [clicking here](#).

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