

Legal experts

PARTNERS

Paul Cammiss

Paul Cammiss is our Managing Partner and longest serving member of the firm. Over the years he has practiced in many areas of the law but now concentrates on Criminal Litigation, General Litigation and Family work regularly appearing as an advocate in Magistrates and County Courts across East Anglia.

Paul Cammiss joined Adams and Land as an articled clerk in February 1971 having taken his law degree in 1970 and then going on to obtain Honours in the Solicitors' final exams. He qualified in March 1973 and became a partner in 1974.

Tom Harrison

Tom Harrison is our Senior Partner and practices in Commercial Litigation, General Litigation, Personal Injury and Criminal Litigation. He is also the person responsible for the quality of all of the services we provide to clients and the person who will deal with any complaints.

Tom obtained an LLB (Hons) degree from London University and took articles with the firm of Taylor Walker in Harpenden, Herts. He qualified as a solicitor in 1977 the year he first came to work in Haverhill for a Cambridge-based firm. He set up his own practice, Harrison and Co. in Haverhill in 1984.

He initiated and managed the subsequent merger with Adams and Land in 1989 followed by the acquisition of three further firms - Bates Ellison and Morris (Haverhill) Roger Lord (Saffron Walden) and Steed Marshall (Haverhill) - and was appointed a Deputy District Judge by the Lord Chancellor in 2001.

Rhodri Rees

Rhodri Rees specialises in Commercial Property and Business and Commercial work and is also responsible for the Residential Property work undertaken at both offices.

He obtained his Law Degree from the University College of Wales in Aberystwyth in 1978. He trained at Douglas, Jones and Mercer in Swansea before being

admitted in 1981. He then carried out a range of work for Herbert and Gowers in Oxford and joined Harrison and Co in 1986.

Melanie Pratlett

Melanie Pratlett is the partner responsible for the Wills Estates and Trusts area of the practice and a Member of the Society of Trust & Estate Practitioners (STEP).

She is presently involved in the campaign to clarify the Chancellor's intentions as set out in the recent budget concerning taxation of trusts and settlements.

Melanie obtained her law degree in 1985 and was a trainee at Barr Ellison for 2 years before qualifying as a solicitor in 1988. She spent 4 years at Taylor Vintners in Cambridge and Newmarket, joined Adams Harrison in 1992 and became a partner in 1996.

Shoshana Goldhill

Shoshana Goldhill heads up our Family Services team and specialises in matrimonial finance and property disputes. She is an Accredited Specialist with Resolution (Solicitors Family Law Association) and a Collaborative Lawyer.

Shoshana is very experienced in divorce financial and property disputes and the guidelines laid down on the recently publicised high profile cases of Miller and McFarlane. A new feature in which she is involved is divorce loans to help cover the cost of financial proceedings on divorce.

Shoshana was born in New York and has lived in England since 1980. She was educated at Brown University, USA and Newnham College Cambridge. She trained as a solicitor in London and qualified in 1986. She worked in the Family Department of Miller & Co from 1987-1995 before leaving to start a family. She joined Adams Harrison in 2000 and became a partner in 2004.

Jennifer Carpenter

Jennifer Carpenter is our most recently appointed Partner (January 2005) and specialises in Employment, Personal Injury and Criminal Litigation. She is a Member of the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers and a Duty Solicitor for the Criminal Defence Service.

Jennifer obtained her law degree in 1997 before going on to complete the legal practice course at the College of Law in Chester. She joined Adams Harrison as a Trainee Solicitor in 1998 and qualified in 2000.

SOLICITORS

Anthony Marris

Anthony Marris qualified as a Solicitor in 1980 and has many years experience specialising in a variety of commercial property transactions and other property related matters. He trained in London and having spent many years at Wedlake Saint Solicitors in London and St Albans joined us in April 2005 from Cambridge firm Matthews Winter & Bullock.

Anthony is based at our Saffron Walden office and offers tailored impartial advice in connection with the letting and management of commercial property and the sale and purchase of small owner managed businesses.

Julia Hutchings

Julia joined us in May 2007 as the head of our residential property team at Saffron Walden. Julia was admitted as a Solicitor in November 2005 having obtained her law degree from Hertfordshire University in 2000. She has 6 years of residential property experience most recently as Head of Residential Conveyancing at Breeze & Wyles Bishops Stortford office.

Rebecca Varey

Rebecca Varey joined our Haverhill office in 1997 and after leaving in 1999 to complete her law degree and legal practice course she returned to the firm as a trainee solicitor in the Saffron Walden office in 2003. She was admitted as a solicitor in April 2005 and now specialises in Family and Criminal work.

Frances Walker

Frances Walker joined our Family Law team in Haverhill in March 2009. She qualified as a Solicitor in 2005 having obtained an LLB Law (Hons) degree from Nottingham Trent University. Prior to joining Adams Harrison she practised in Hinckley and Leicester and comes with a wealth of experience in divorce and other family related issues.

EXECUTIVES

Kim Dalby

Kim Dalby is a Senior Legal Executive in our Will Estates and Trusts Team and a Member of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners.

She qualified as a legal executive in 1996 and has over 10 years of experience of private client work. She was a Legal Executive at Miller and Co and Barr Ellison in Cambridge and joined Adams Harrison in 2001.

Sarah Furlong

Sarah Furlong joined the firm in 1995 as a trainee Legal Executive in our Wills Estates and Trusts Department at Saffron Walden.

She attended Cambridge Regional College and then Chelmsford College to study for her ILEX Part I and Part II qualifications. She was appointed a Fellow of the Institute of Legal Executives in June 2000.

Cathy Buck

Cathy Buck is a Legal Executive specialising in residential property work at our Haverhill office.

She joined the firm in 1993 also as trainee Legal Executive. She completed her ILEX Part 1 at Cambridge Regional College in 1995, her ILEX Part II at Chelmsford College and became a Fellow of the Institute of Legal Executives in 1999.

Christina Tapper

Christina Tapper joined Adams Harrison initially as a Receptionist at our Saffron Walden office before becoming a secretary in our Residential Conveyancing.

She became a Conveyancing Executive in 2002 and successfully completed the Council for Licensed Conveyancers training and examinations programme in January 2005.

Ginny Richmond

Ginny is a residential conveyancer and is based at our Sawston office. She is a Fellow of the Institute of Legal Executives with over 20 years of conveyancing experience. She joined Webb & Partners in September 2003 and transferred to Adams Harrison in November 2008 when it acquired the Webb & Partners practice.