



IREETHORPE



**OUR FEES**

**ASSET REUNIFICATION**  
**WORLDWIDE**

## OPTION 1:

### CONTINGENCY SERVICE — NO PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES

This option is applicable in cases where we have acted as a discovery agent or where an individual has died intestate, and there are no known heirs to the estate, and no personal representatives (yet) appointed.

Beneficiaries are identified then contacted as our research progresses. Agreement as to the level of fees payable to us on successful completion is sought and is typically set as a percentage of the value of the estate/unclaimed entitlement to which they have a claim. The level of fees payable will vary, depending on the overall difficulty in locating individuals and on the nature or complexity of the unclaimed entitlement.

Furthermore, as we usually oversee the administration of the estate and subsequent recovery of all its assets on behalf of our clients, at no additional cost (aside from incidental expenses incurred), the overall cost for our clients can be substantially lower than it would be with most of our competitors, who generally do not offer this sort of 'all-inclusive' service (without additional charges).

#### IN OVERVIEW

- Option available in cases where there are no known appointed personal representatives or we have acted as a discovery agent
- No success, no fee
- No additional charge to help administer the estate
- Due to the speculative nature of the work initially undertaken by ourselves and the uncertainty that surrounds these types of cases our fees are set at a higher level. Our fee will reflect the risk of us not being able to trace any rightful beneficiaries, the number of beneficiaries being significant in number and/or upon having located the beneficiaries, not being able to agree to an engagement of our services



Call us **TODAY** for a **FREE** initial consultation and research assessment

## OPTION 2:

### CONTINGENCY SERVICE — FINDER'S FEE

With this option, we may be instructed by an executor, administrator or a trustee to find a known missing beneficiary or beneficiaries who are due entitlements in a will but cannot be traced. This service is also suitable for cases in which the personal representatives or trustees are not aware of any living beneficiaries (or they are not known). A minimum charge may be payable in the event that no living heirs or beneficiaries are found; this option is therefore most appropriate when there are known beneficiaries so that we can apply our fee on a strictly no success, no fee basis.

We will agree the level of our success fee and whether we are to oversee the administration of an estate with the personal representatives at the start of each engagement.

#### IN OVERVIEW

- Option available in cases where there are appointed personal representatives already in place and, preferably, known heirs and/or beneficiaries
- No success, no fee
- Engagement of our services is required from the outset
- Fees for this option will reflect that there is a much less uncertainty within the engagement. A separate charge may be payable on a time and materials basis, for the research we would need to undertake initially to locate any living heirs and/or beneficiaries, should that be necessary

## OPTION 3:

### TIME & MATERIALS BASIS

(See reverse for a breakdown of typical fees)

In some cases, it is most appropriate to provide our services on a straightforward basis, where we are paid for the time we spend and the resources we have used. An estimate of the total cost of the work to be carried out is provided at the start of each engagement, and this level of fees will not be breached without further consultation with the client beforehand.

As there is no risk involved in providing our services on this basis, the level at which we can set our fees works out lower than for Options 1 and 2. Full breakdowns of time spent and materials used are routinely provided, on request.

#### IN OVERVIEW

- Option available for all cases, although may not be the most appropriate
- Level of fees are estimated at the start, and payable regardless of outcome
- Engagement of our services is required from the outset
- Due to the simple nature of the engagement, fees are agreed at the outset using published time and material rates

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## TYPICAL FEES

	UK	Worldwide*
<b>Internal Researcher</b>		
Hourly Rate	£80	£95
Daily Rate	£480	£570
<b>Outside Researcher</b>		
Hourly Rate	£100	£120
Daily Rate	£600	£720
<b>Manager</b>		
Hourly Rate	£140	£140
Daily Rate	£840	£840
<b>Named Searches</b>		
Basic Fee	£40	£65

\*not including some countries — check for coverage

The following are charged for at hourly rate:

- Electoral Register address searches
- General access searches using online and internal records

The following are charged for at cost:

- Travel, subsistence, accommodation, and incidental expenses
- Births, Marriage, Death, Probate records and incidental expenses

All prices are subject to VAT



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