

ROTHLEY LAW EXPANDS REGIONAL CONSUMER LAW PRACTICE

Midlands based consumer law specialist Rothley has expanded its regional presence through the acquisition of Shoosmiths Wealth Protection, Disputed Wills & Trusts and Court of Protection teams. The firm will operate out of Birmingham, Leicester, London, Manchester, Milton Keynes and Reading. There are plans to open in Bristol and Leeds later this year.

The 41-strong team joining Rothley includes three former Shoosmiths partners –Adam Draper, Melissa Maple and Lucy Taylor and Legal Director Charlotte Dunn.

The transfer follows a strategic review by Shoosmiths in 2022 which led to the firm’s decision to withdraw from the consumer facing High Net Worth and Family markets. Subject to client agreement, ongoing matters and relationships will be transferred to Rothley.

The Chairman of Rothley Law John Verrill commented, “We are delighted to bring onboard the High Net Worth, Disputed Wills and Trusts and Court of Protection teams from Shoosmiths. This is a major cornerstone of our growing Rothley consumer practice”.

The quality of the client work being produced by these teams is incredibly high and the level of care, passion and quality they bring to their clients is exceptional, producing a culture of “above and beyond”. We look forward to working with these teams in innovative ways, to grow and develop these disciplines and to win increased market share.

We extend a very warm welcome to each person transferring to Rothley and look forward to hearing and working with their ideas for developing this exciting business.

We thank Shoosmiths for the ease of transition of these valued partners and staff and we will maintain a complementary offering for their firm to ensure that they can remain a broader service port of call and refer such opportunities to Rothley with confidence in future”

Peter Duff, chairperson at Shoosmiths, said: “They are a first class team and we fully expect to maintain close relationships on both a personal level and also for the benefit of our mutual clients. We wish the team and Rothley Law every success in the future.”

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