



## ESTATE ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

The passing of a loved one is always a challenging time, often fraught with difficulties on many levels. Dealing with estate issues can add to an already stressful time. R&H Trust Co. (Singapore) Pte. Limited and our experienced team in Singapore can help alleviate the burden of administering your loved one's estate, so that you can focus on personal matters.

Even the simplest estates can be extremely complex and time consuming to administer, with applications to court for Grants of Probate or Letters of Administration, identifying and collecting all estate assets and ensuring the smooth distribution to estate beneficiaries. Real estate, investment portfolios and business assets all require a level of expertise in order to maximize benefit to grieving heirs.

A professional Executor or Estate Administrator based in Singapore may be preferred when administering the assets of a Singapore resident, or Singapore situs assets such as real estate, bank accounts and even specialty assets such as jewelry and artwork.

There are numerous situations where the use of a professional executor/administrator are particularly recommended, including:

- Protecting the inheritance minors and vulnerable persons;
- Tenuous marital or family situations;
- Complex families, blended families with children from different marriages;
- Complex business assets and the management of the business during the probate period
- Assets in multiple jurisdictions; and
- Contentious probate applications.

Our team in Singapore has vast experience in the administration of estates, with a specialty in dealing with large, complex assets and intricate family relationships. Given the broad wealth of knowledge of our professionals and our extensive professional network both locally and globally, we can ensure that the terms of the will are respected, and the assets are properly administered.

We can be appointed as the Executor in a Last Will and Testament, or can assist after the passing of a loved one by acting as agent for the named administrator or executor. Whether you are a Singapore resident or have assets based in Singapore for which you require a succession plan, our trust, tax and accounting acumen put us in a unique position to ensure that all estate assets, local and international, are dealt with in a professional and efficient manner.

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We are happy to work with you and your advisors during the estate planning process, so that we are aware of your wishes and the assets making up your estate. Our experience as a fiduciary through our trust company, and our accounting and tax expertise make us a reliable professional and trustworthy provider of estate services.

Executorships and Estate Administration are offered through R&H Trust Co (Singapore) Pte. Limited, which is a trust company licenced by the Monetary Authority of Singapore. The following list describes some of the services we could provide:

- Assistance in estate planning with your chosen or a recommended legal professional;
- Assistance in funeral preparations and payment of funeral costs and estate debts;
- Interpretation of the Will for beneficiaries;
- Identification of estate assets and liabilities;
- Collections of estate assets and opening of an estate bank account, and safeguarding estate assets during the administration period;
- Liaising with your chosen or an appointed legal representative to prepare applications to court for grants of probate or, in an intestacy, letters of administration;
- Distributing bequests, legacies and residual payments to beneficiaries; and
- Accounting for the assets, liabilities, income and expenses of the estate.

Please contact us if you would like to find out more about our Executor and Estate Administration services, or any other private clients services we offer.

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