# Cross-Border Inheritance

We advise international clients on inheritance and succession matters in Poland, including individuals, families, executors, beneficiaries and overseas advisers. Our work frequently involves Polish estates with international connections, including foreign heirs, assets located abroad, foreign wills and cross-border family or business structures.

Our services include succession planning, drafting and reviewing wills, inheritance-tax advice, estate administration and probate, and the transfer or management of inherited immovable property in Poland. We also advise on the recognition and enforcement of foreign succession decisions, the treatment of foreign wills under Polish law, and the practical steps required to secure, administer and transfer assets in Poland.

We act in both non-contentious and contentious inheritance matters. We advise and represent clients in Poland and abroad in disputes concerning the validity of wills, inheritance rights, reserved share claims (*zachowek*) and the division of an estate.

Our team combines detailed knowledge of Polish succession law with experience of advising international clients. We provide clear, practical and commercially minded advice at every stage - from preparing a will, through administering and distributing an estate, to resolving disputes.

*"They provide a personal and commercially minded service and their knowledge is impressive."*
**Camila Bulkowsky, individual client from Canada**

*"Brilliant team with fantastic expertise and an unrivalled client experience."*
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An increasing number of families of Polish origin now live permanently in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom or other common-law countries, yet they may still need to deal with inheritance matters in Poland. We advise these families on all aspects of succession law.

Find out more:

*"I could not have come across a more helpful and thorough team to trace my family's lost Warsaw townhouse."*
**Tamar Berman, individual client, Tel-Aviv**

*"Very dedicated, organised team, pro-active and knowledgeable - keep things simple."*
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## Recent examples of our work:

- Advised and represented a Chinese national in criminal proceedings in Poland concerning a Polish estate and the alleged misappropriation of funds from the deceased's accounts.
- Advised a UK family in a complex probate matter involving assets in Poland.
- Advised an Indian spouse in probate proceedings in Poland and in the division of real estate forming part of the estate.
- Advised a US individual in connection with a claim for a reserved share (*zachowek*) under Polish succession law and the division of the estate.
- Advised and represented a US family of Polish origin in proceedings before the Supreme Court of Arizona and in subsequent probate proceedings in Poland.
- Advised an Israeli client in a complex probate matter and related restitution claim in Poland.

## International reach

Woźniak Legal is a Polish member of New Circle, an alliance of 13 independent law firms across Europe and Asia. It enables us to coordinate local legal advice when a matter extends beyond Poland.

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