

## WHO I AM AND WHAT I DO

**My motto is “Attack Tax”! I am a specialist at reducing tax bills.**

**My advice is always:**

**EARLY ACTION HAS THE BEST CHANCE OF SAVING TAX. IT'S NOT ALWAYS POSSIBLE TO SAVE THE TAX ON A TRANSACTION AFTER IT HAS OCCURRED.**

### Who am I? Duncan Meredith

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Tax planning is central to my work. This does not have to involve extraordinary measures. Sometimes, the simplest ideas can reap substantial tax savings. It's always worth having a look at the situation, to see what can be done. No one should be intimidated by the tax man.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss anything at all. I would be delighted to speak with you or meet up to offer a free initial consultation.

### About me

I have worked in the Financial Sector for many years and I am an experienced tax adviser.

I have trained and worked within the 'Big 4' firms of Chartered Accountants and I have also worked at middle tier and independent firms, gaining experience saving tax for many family and owner-managed businesses. I have written numerous articles for the press and magazines.

Now I have my own practice, Meredith Tax LLP, and I can offer you the unique service of top-level tax knowledge and nearly 30 years' experience in tax. I am available to individuals, businesses and fellow professional firms alike. I am happy to discuss any topic, large or small, general business or tax. Using my knowledge and network of contacts I can help with most problems, explaining complex issues in an easily-understood manner.

I live in Leeds and Meredith Tax LLP has its office in York, so I am well-placed to cover all of Yorkshire.

I can give you value for money, peace of mind and, often, the tax saved will comfortably exceed my fees.

I am:

- A Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)
- An Associate of the Chartered Institute of Taxation (CIOT)
- A Member of the ICAEW Tax Faculty
- A Member of the ICAEW Charity and Voluntary Sector Group.

### So, how can I best help you and your business?

Tax is a big cost for any business. However competent they are at tax, sometimes current advisers (even if they are specialists) will encounter thorny problems, which need expert attention beyond their knowledge. I can provide that help. There need be no guilt about talking to someone else. It might be simply a case of getting a second opinion to obtain peace of mind.

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However, there might be issues that have not been recognised, so the position is more complex than imagined at first. That is no reflection on anyone; it is just that tax is too wide-ranging for anyone to be an expert in all areas.

I offer a free initial consultation. If I can help you with your tax, I will work with your adviser to get the best result for you.

You can speak with my existing clients, who have offered to be my referees.

### Areas I can help with

Generally, I can help with most areas of tax and tax planning. Typically:

Personal tax; company tax; partnerships; trusts; capital gains tax; inheritance tax; other taxes; general advice on business formats, including LLPs<sup>1</sup>; and planning purchases and sales (of assets or the whole business).

I specialize in: owner-managed businesses; property tax; sales and purchases of businesses; and charities & the Voluntary Sector.

And, I have access to other specialists (with whom I have worked closely over many years):

- VAT
- Capital allowances
- Employment taxes

More information, examples and case histories are on my website: [www.meredithtaxllp.co.uk](http://www.meredithtaxllp.co.uk)

### Higher level planning

I can help substantially reduce the tax on:

- Income from a partnership or dividends from a company
- Capital gains.

Please contact me for further details.

### My fees

*I offer leading-edge advice at competitive prices. My view is that fees should never be a problem.*

I aim to build a long-term relationship, understanding your whole business and personal situation. If a solution is such that I can give short & informal advice/opinions by telephone or email, I often do that on a no fee basis.

For other work, I shall agree a budget and keep you informed of progress. If it is necessary to increase the scope of my work I shall agree that with you.

Fees are linked to both the complexity of the issue and the amount of tax at stake but are always in a figure or range to suit the commerciality of the situation.

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<sup>1</sup> Limited Liability Partnerships