

## MATRIMONIAL AND FAMILY LAW

The matrimonial team at Berry & Berry are specialists in their field and offer advice in all aspects of family law. The department includes an advanced member of the Law Society's Family Law Panel, accredited specialists of Resolution (formerly 'The Solicitors Family Law Association') and members of the Resolution. We are committed to helping people sensitively resolve the issues arising out of Relationship breakdown in a constructive fair and reasonable way without bitterness or recrimination.

You may need advice upon divorce or on associated financial matters. Alternatively, you may require assistance with a child case, be it a dispute over contact, where a child should live, an adoption case or local authority care proceedings.

Whether you are married or not, a parent, grandparent or other interested party Berry & Berry are here to assist you.

### The department aims to offer:

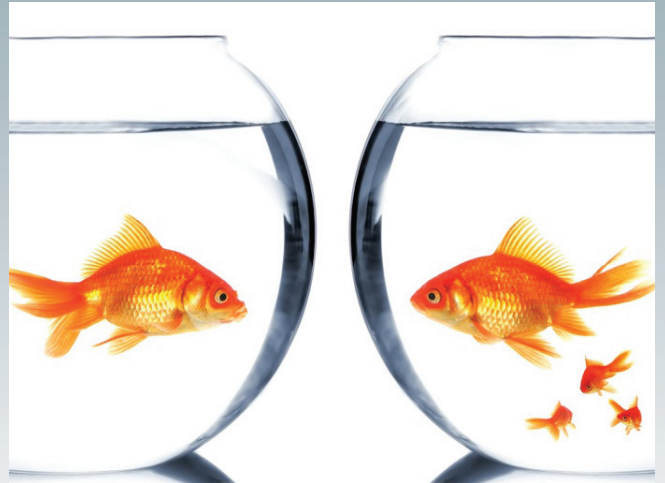
- A quality service at reasonable rates
- A commitment to the conciliatory approach of Resolution
- The encouragement both of fair settlement and the avoiding of expensive litigation
- An established reputation in Kent and Sussex
- A fast and efficient service where unnecessary delays are avoided
- A specialist knowledge of complicated financial disputes
- A full understanding of mediation and the ability to deliver advice alongside the mediation process
- Specialist knowledge of family of child issues involving other countries and their legal systems.

### The Department offers advice on:

- Divorce
- Separation
- Financial settlement
- Childcare
- Child residence
- Child contact
- Adoption
- And all other aspects of family law

### Objective advice and discussion

If a marriage falls into difficulties the first thing that is needed is objective discussion. Decisions made through emotional stressful times will have lasting impact on the partners, the children, other family members, their home and jobs.



### You are not alone

With almost 40% of marriages in the UK ending in divorce you need not feel alone or unusual. At Berry & Berry we believe that handling such matters in a constructive way at an early stage, and identifying problems, can take a great deal of the stress and uncertainty out of a painful process and avoid the disastrous mistakes that can be made.

### Our commitment

As part of our commitment to you our approach is to identify the key problems, outline possible solutions and if we think it will help, refer you to other sources of advice such as counsellors, mediators, accountants or actuaries who can help with particular emotional or financial difficulties.



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