



mediation services

Why Mediation?

A Lawyer/Mediator is a specialist family Lawyer who is specially trained to act as an impartial third party to assist couples in exploring the options available to them and to consider ways of reaching agreement.

Mediation assists couples in reaching agreement concerning future arrangements without recourse to litigation through the Court, and in a way that improves communication between parties for the benefit of the whole family.

How Mediation Works

In mediation, the couple, or participants in the process are assisted by the mediator to work out their own decisions and arrangements. The Mediator, as a specialist Family Lawyer, can provide the couple with information about the relevant law to assist the participants in reaching an agreement.

The number of mediation sessions that may be required to reach agreement is dependent on the nature and complexity of each case.

Some couples may seek mediation only in relation to arrangements for their children, some couples in relation to finance and property settlement upon separation or, others on “all issues”, that is mediation in relation to children and financial issues. In all cases our lawyer mediator will guide and assist you and your partner expertly and sensitively.

Throughout the mediation process either or both parties may instruct another firm of solicitors to advise them on



their legal position and to implement the settlement reached in a consent order in divorce proceedings.

We receive referrals for mediation from solicitors and other agencies.

Mediation is not the same as counselling. Mediation assists or enables couples to reach joint decisions concerning the future, after the couple have concluded that the relationship has broken down. Mediation is entirely forward looking.

Who to Contact

If you wish to discuss whether mediation may be the best option for you, please contact our Resolution trained mediator:

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