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Welcome

An introduction to our team

Family & Divorce



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Family & Divorce Team

Our expert Family & Divorce team has a wealth of experience in family law.

Dedicated specialist team with a wider reach

The Family and Divorce team is a niche department within Bishop & Sewell. All of the team members are dedicated family lawyers, but many family cases stray outside of the confines of family law. They are able to call on help from other teams within the firm be it for private client and tax advice, property assistance or support from our company commercial or employment teams.

Practice Areas

We can assist with all aspects of private family law cases in England and Wales. Many of our cases have international elements and we are able to call on our extensive network of specialist family lawyers across the globe.

We can assist with:

- Divorce and civil partnership dissolution
- Financial claims on divorce
- Pre and post nuptial agreements
- Disputes between unmarried partners
- Cohabitation agreements
- Separation agreements
- Arrangements for children

Litigation is not the only option and many of our cases are resolved through Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR).

Accreditations

The Family team and its individual members are highly ranked in directories including the Legal 500 and Chambers & Partners.

All individuals in the department are members of Resolution.

Meet & Greet

A client's relationship with a family lawyer can be a very personal one. It is essential that you choose a lawyer that you trust and in which you can have the utmost confidence.

Just ask.

We constantly strive to build enduring relationships with the individuals and organisations with whom we work.

Our culture and approach is to be as friendly, helpful and hassle-free as possible. Wherever possible, we seek to resolve cases outside of the court process, but if court is unavoidable, we will act robustly in your best interests.

Next Steps

For initial advice or to arrange a meeting or a call with one of our team, email **family@bishopandsewell.co.uk** or call **020 7631 4141** and ask to speak to our Family and Divorce team.



Philip Rutter
Partner and Head of the Family & Divorce team

Philip has been recognised as a leading family lawyer for many years and has particular expertise in complex financial cases, often with high net worth, business, trust and international aspects.



Laura Cotzias
Solicitor

Laura is a member of Resolution working on a wide range of cases dealing with family disputes constructively and with tact. She is dedicated to achieving the best outcome for her clients, whether through negotiated settlement or, where necessary, litigation.



Michael Gillman
Consultant Solicitor

Michael is the firm's former Senior Partner and brings a wealth of experience to the firm as a consultant. He sits as a Deputy District Judge as a specialist Children and Financial Remedies Unit judge and the team can call on him for his views from 'the Bench'.

Here for you. For life.

Our promise to you is to offer the very best legal advice and to consistently exceed your expectations.

We are committed, ambitious, approachable and results oriented. We have an open and inclusive culture and quality is at the centre of everything we do for you.

We are Bishop & Sewell.

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