



# Is a Specialist Family Professional right for me?

How a Resolution Accredited Specialist can help



Whether you are separating, divorcing, dissolving a civil partnership, or have a decision to make about the care of your children, it's important to get the right legal advice.

## How Resolution can help

Resolution members are family justice professionals who commit to a Code of Practice that promotes a helpful and constructive approach to resolving family issues. That means they will work with you to reduce the emotional and financial impact of separation.

All Resolution members can help you find the best way to resolve things for you and your family, and if you are parents, help you to put the needs of any children first.



## Why choose a Resolution Accredited Specialist?

**Resolution Accredited Specialists are experts in a particular area of the law, or in dealing with family finances.**

They have completed a rigorous assessment that tests their expertise and experience in specialised areas of family law and/or finances to help you deal with things that are important to you and need further expertise.

Like all members, Resolution Specialists have the skills and experience to help and support you calmly, cost effectively and efficiently, and you can be confident they have you and your family's best interests at heart.

They can help you approach things constructively which could cost you less – emotionally and financially. Any decisions you can reach are likely to be better and longer lasting than if a court imposes a solution on you.

Sometimes court proceedings are unavoidable. Resolution Accredited Specialists can explain, assist and support you through any proceedings that are necessary.

They work with you to reach an outcome that works for the whole family.

Whether you need help with legal or financial matters, our specialist accredited members are experts in working with separating couples and families, who can work together with other professionals to help you and your family plan your future.

If your case involves local authority care proceedings, the Law Society also has a panel of specialists who can help you. See [www.lawsociety.org.uk](http://www.lawsociety.org.uk)



To find a Resolution Specialist in your area, start by looking on our website:

[resolution.org.uk/findamember](https://resolution.org.uk/findamember)

## What help can a specialist provide?

Resolution Specialists include legal professionals and financial professionals who cover a range of family matters. They can offer specialist help with:

- Adoption
- Child abduction
- Arrangements for your children between parents and carers
- Disputes with a local authority
- The law relating to unmarried couples
- Complex financial and property matters
- Domestic abuse
- Emergency procedures to secure assets in financial and property matters
- International law
- Financial arrangements for children
- Forced marriage and 'honour'-based abuse
- Not having enough money to pay debts
- Pensions
- Preparing and presenting cases in court

## Our Code of Practice

All Resolution members follow a Code of Practice that promotes a constructive approach to working with families and individuals that considers the needs of the whole family, and if you are parents, the best interests of your children.

### This means:

- Listening to you, being honest with you and treating you with respect.
- Explaining all the options and giving you confidence to make the right decisions.
- Helping you focus on what's important in the long term.
- Helping you balance financial and emotional costs with what you want to achieve.
- Working with others to find the right approach and the best solutions for you.
- Managing stress in what can be an already stressful situation.

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### **Ask your lawyer or mediator**

If you and your lawyer or mediator decide you need more in-depth advice on a particular area, they can refer you to a Resolution Accredited Specialist.



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