

What you need to know about family law

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Background

Family law covers all the legal issues around family relationships. This includes all arrangements for children, wealth protection on marriage or cohabitation, divorce and separation and personal protection.

Whatever support you and your family need, we're here to support you through the process so that you can move your life forward. Our clients always come first, we focus on delivering affordable first-class legal advice with exceptional levels of customer service.

"TV Edwards really helped me at a time when no one else seemed to be listening."



How TVE can help

TV Edwards was established in 1929 and enjoys a national reputation for delivering first-class legal services. Many of our lawyers are renowned legal experts; they train the profession, and they publish. Together our teams provide the legal support and expertise to help clients get resolution as quickly and inexpensively as possible.

Our Expertise

Our team of family lawyers are experienced in all aspects of family law, from relationship breakdown to issues involving children, money, and property. We can also help with very complicated, difficult and sensitive circumstances where there may be domestic abuse in a relationship, forced marriage, FGM, social services involvement, or cases involving other countries.

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Divorce

Family break ups are never easy. Divorce is an emotionally and legally significant time, but with the right support the process itself does not need to be contentious or confusing.

We have helped thousands of people with divorce or dissolution and offer a personal service specific to your needs with all the explanation and guidance necessary.

Our team is led by Emma Baillie who has 20 years' experience in advising on separation. We pride ourselves on plain speaking and empathy to help our clients to a positive outcome.

We will discuss your options with you and listen to your needs, provide a realistic picture of where you stand, inform you of your rights and help you to understand those of your ex-partner too. We will do all we can to make your divorce as simple and stress-free as possible.

We advise on all divorce issues including:

- Division of finances including transfers of properties and pensions and spousal maintenance
- Mediation
- Arbitration
- Court
- Child arrangements

Children

Our team of children solicitors is recognised throughout the UK for delivering expert legal advice and support to families.

We specialise in advising and representing parents who need help to ensure the right decisions are reached about their children's lives so that the children can continue to grow in a safe and loving environment after the separation of their parents.

Our approach is always child focused and our clients always come first. We focus on delivering affordable, first-class legal services, with exceptional levels of customer service.

At TV Edwards we are experts in advising on all child-related matters including:

- Child arrangements
- Social Services involvement
- Adoption
- Special Guardianship
- Relocation
- Abduction



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Modern Parenting

We advise intended parents and donors about the legal implications of the routes they are considering or have chosen. We can advise at the initial planning stage to help an intended parent choose the best route for their proposed family. We have experience in applications for declarations of parentage where a question has arisen post birth. We are experts in the complexities of co-parenting, which may involve up to four parties, including a biological parent who may not be a child's legal parent.

As committed members of Resolution we adhere to the Code of Practice and the Good Practice Guide to Good Practice in Fertility Cases which means we take a constructive, empathetic and child-focused approach.

We advise on all modern parenting issues including:

- Surrogacy
- Donor conception
- Fertility
- Co-parenting
- Adoption

Unmarried Couples

Few people enter a long-term relationship mindful of a future separation. Marriage, civil partnerships, moving in together or having children are big, positive steps to take with another person. Raising the subject of legal rights may not feel appropriate, but it's something you should think about. That is particularly so if there is a significant difference in your financial positions.

There are legal ways of protecting yourself from the financial effects of a break-up. We advise on all legal matters that an unmarried couple may face:

- Children
- Pre-nuptial agreements
- Pre-civil Partnership agreements
- Cohabitation agreements



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Domestic Abuse

Domestic violence or domestic abuse is any incident of threatening behaviour, violence or abuse (psychological physical, sexual, financial or emotional) between adults who are or have been intimate partners or family members. Anyone can experience domestic abuse regardless of race, ethnicity, religious group, class, sexuality, disability or lifestyle. This is why it is important to know where you can find helpful advice from dedicated solicitors with the right experience.

The types of orders that may be available include:

- A non-molestation order which regulates the behaviour of one or both parties
- An occupation order which regulates the occupation of a property, this can include an order requiring one party to pay the rent or mortgage

Our solicitors work closely with other local agencies and can provide advice on all of the options open to you. This means that you can make the best, informed decisions and keep your family safe. We specialise in cases involving domestic abuse cases, dealing regularly with difficult relationships and sensitive circumstances.

Our advice is clear and independent and based on many years' experience of children, families and the law. We act for both applicants and respondents.

Forced Marriage

A marriage is a forced marriage if it takes place without the full consent of one or both parties. It is not to be confused with an arranged marriage. Forced marriage is an abuse of a person's human rights and cannot be justified for cultural or religious reasons.

At TV Edwards we have specialist knowledge of the law in this area. Our family law team has trained the police, the voluntary sector and local community groups in the issues around forced marriage, and our expert solicitors help protect clients who are victims. Sometimes this is in collaboration with other agencies, to make sure that the issues become properly and conclusively resolved.





Established in 1929, TV Edwards is recognised for its experience, expertise, and customer service. Our first-class legal services have been recognised with industry awards.

We provide a kind, empathetic, client-focused approach and deliver bespoke, pragmatic advice, meaning that we deliver exceptional levels of customer service.

Our large, handpicked team has a wide range of skills and experience across all aspects of family law that we use to bring clarity and resolution to your case.

Our advice is clear and independent, and based on many years' experience of children, families and the law. If you are dealing with a difficult issue to do with marriage, cohabitation, children or any other family situation and need specialist family solicitors in London to advise you, we are here to help.

For advice about your family law issue, contact us.

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