What kind of agreement will I end up with and is it enforceable?

We will draw up an agreement for you. This is set out in a very particular format and is very detailed. You will need to see a solicitor to draw up legally enforceable documents for you to send to court if that is what you require. However, the solicitor will need to do very little. We are unable to draw up the legal documentation as this affects our impartial role. At any time through the mediation process you can take legal advice from a solicitor and combine this with the mediation sessions if you wish.

What do I do next?

If you would like to explore the possibility of using mediation to resolve difficulties following relationship or communication break down with your partner please call Breakthrough Mediation on

01494 77 66 96

and talk to one of our mediators.

'It was really useful to use a mediator who was able to give us both guidance on a fair settlement and talk through options, the fact that Jeannette is also a practising solicitor was more than helpful' SM

'I appreciated Jeannette's sympathetic and empathic approach in what was a highly charged and emotional time for both of us. She was able to help us to be practical, sensible and improve our communication. She was supportive and understanding of both of us without favouring one or the other.' AL







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What is family Mediation?

Mediation is an alternative way of resolving disputes. A mediator will act as a facilitator and see both of you together to help you to come to a firm and final agreement where there is conflict. We help clients to find creative solutions and outcomes where there is relationship breakdown and difficulty communicating. We are highly skilled and trained to help you through the emotional rollercoaster experienced on relationship breakdown and guide you towards the outcomes you want. You are in control and we manage your conflict and support both of you through the whole process. We don't take sides, or make judgements. We remain impartial, respectful and understanding of a process which can be emotionally painful and difficult.

Is Mediation for me?

Mediation is for anyone who is committed to finding a resolution of disputes through talking and finding a way forward. Mediation is for anyone who can allow the mediator to facilitate and support you though the process. Both of you need to have this commitment.

How do I know if Mediation is right for me?

We can talk to both of you on the telephone and talk through whether it is right. If we believe it may benefit you we invite both of you to an intake meeting.

What will it cost?

Payment is made for the sessions only and preparation of documents at the conclusion of the mediation process. Should any further work be undertaken in-between mediation sessions costs will be agreed beforehand.

Please request specific information on costs by calling **01494 776696** or sending an email to: **mail@breakthroughfls.com**

What kind of problems do you normally deal with?

Common disputes dealt with in family mediation are:

- Divorce
- Financial settlements
- Co-parenting children
- Separating unmarried couples
- Communication between parents

These are common areas but we deal with any form of family conflict.

What is your training?

We are Resolution trained solicitor mediators. We also work as family solicitors and so can give you legal information throughout the process where necessary. We cannot give you advice as this may prevent us from acting on an impartial basis. Please check the Resolution web site (www.resolution.org.uk) for more information about our regulators. We are members of Resolution and subscribe to their code of conduct.

