

# Got questions? Get the answers.



There are times in life when we all need expert answers to difficult questions. A solicitor, as your local expert, is ready to help – with advice on anything from divorce, separation

and custody to writing a will; from dealing with an accident

or dispute to buying a house.

### Family Disputes

When marriages and relationships break down, there are of course emotional consequences for both parties, and for any children in the relationship. But there can also be important legal and financial matters to be resolved.

Before separating and certainly before agreeing to anything with your ex-partner, speak to a local solicitor. They'll discuss the cause of the break-up with you, and its implications. The issues may be complicated. Who has custody of the children, and what about access for the other partner? Who gets the house? What about money?

Your solicitor can advise on mediation to settle questions like these before they get to court. If the matter does still go to court, they will present your case, and explain what the ruling means for you.



### Thinking Ahead

#### Making a Will

No-one really likes to think about their death, but it's important to put aside that uneasiness and make adequate provision, or the legacy you leave your family could be one of taxes and duties, valuations, probate worries and possibly disputes. That's why a properly drawn-up Will is so important.

#### Family Trusts

Protecting your estate isn't just about providing for your family after your death. It's also about protecting your assets today and planning for the future.



#### Power's of Attorney

You can decide now who would look after your affairs if you were no longer able to through illness or infirmity. This is called a Power of Attorney.

Your local solicitor can advise you on all of these issues.

### Road Traffic Accidents

If you're unfortunate enough to have been in involved in a road traffic accident, you should get professional legal advice and support from a local solicitor as soon as possible.

They can help with issues around personal injury claims or compensation. They will also liaise with your insurer and may even be able to help with arranging for a replacement car or managing repairs. It's well worth a conversation.



## Buying or Selling Property

The issues around buying or selling a house can be complicated. Without the right advice, things can fall apart, even at an advanced stage.

Your local solicitor can help, by carrying out the necessary searches, examining the deeds and then arranging the contracts, completion and registration.

They'll also be able to arrange transfer of funds to make sure your move goes smoothly.





Whatever your question, we're here to help. To find a solicitor near you, look up the directory on www.lawsoc-ni.org

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