

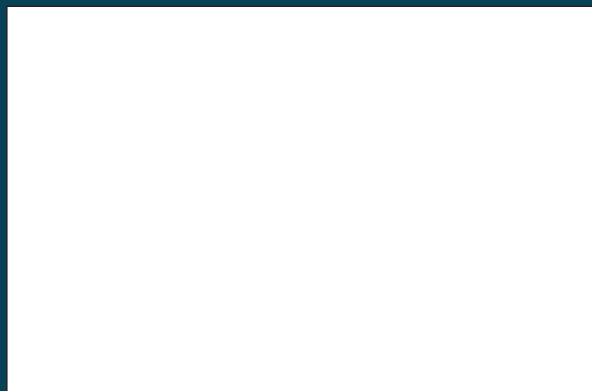
# Arbitration.

Stop settling scores and  
start settling issues!



## Where can I find out more?

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WORRIED  
ABOUT DELAY  
AND COSTS?

ANXIOUS ABOUT  
GOING TO COURT?

FEELING BAFFLED OR  
OVERWHELMED?

Then it might be  
time to consider the  
**Arbitration  
Alternative.**



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Arbitration is a form of private dispute resolution in which you and your ex-partner appoint a fair, impartial and specially qualified third party (an arbitrator) to resolve your dispute. Applying the law of England and Wales, it can be used to help separating couples (whether married or not) to settle disputes relating to:

- Family finances and money
- Where you live and property arrangements
- Money for children
- Time your children spend with each parent
- Other arrangements for your children (e.g. schooling or moving home)

Arbitration is an ideal approach for people who want to resolve a family dispute without a time-consuming and costly court case. It allows you and your ex-partner to participate in a flexible process that fits your family's circumstances. The arbitrator will handle your case with complete confidentiality and you have the peace of mind in knowing that the final decision will be legally binding on all concerned.



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## So how does arbitration work?

You and your solicitor, in consultation with the arbitrator, decide what form the arbitration takes. You could have hearings very like court hearings or deal with everything by telephone or by email/paper documents. The process is tailored to meet your specific needs. This can be different to going through the courts where there is a set procedure and the process takes no account of the value or complexity of the case.

## Why should I consider arbitration?

- **Speed** – Arbitration is quicker than court.
- **Convenience** - Meetings arranged to suit you.
- **Costs** - Can be shared.
- **Confidentiality** – Is guaranteed.
- **Binding** – The arbitrator's decision is final.