

Why Mediation?



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Car parking is available at the rear of the office for clients.

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Mediation is a fast, cost-effective and private form of dispute resolution and affords parties the opportunity to negotiate a creative, commercial solution. Parties also find mediation attractive because of its high success rate (typically over 80%).

What the Courts say about Mediation

Importantly, Courts in England & Wales (and in jurisdictions around the world) expect parties to explore mediation or face the consequences of potential costs penalties. A settlement can be structured to include arrangements which could not be obtained from a Judge or Arbitrator. If therefore the parties want an ongoing relationship, the ability to craft a remedy in mediation is often preferable to the blunt instrument of litigation or arbitration.

The Benefits of Mediation

Mediation is the first resort in resolving disputes as it offers a private and confidential form of dispute resolution as well as flexibility (it can take place before or after Court/Arbitration proceedings have started). Clients benefit from substantial time and costs savings and, importantly, opportunities to preserve business relationships. There is also control for the parties to negotiate a solution which suits them rather than have one imposed on them by a Judge or Arbitrator.



Our Mediation Service

We offer you fixed rates for our Mediation services, which aim to find a fast, commercial solution to your dispute. Our package offers a dedicated Mediator with the expertise to deal with a variety of complex disputes, a competitive fee structure and facilities for providing a neutral venue for mediations.

By way of example, an Accredited Mediator can be used in the following areas (as well as many other areas of dispute):

- Boardroom, shareholder and partnership disputes
- Commercial contract disputes and sales of goods claims
- Professional negligence claims against
- Workplace and employment disputes
- Property and land disputes
- Claims under Inheritance and disputes between executors, trustees and beneficiaries
- Personal injury claims

Our Mediator

Philip Chapman provides information and plain English guidance on the process to help you make an informed decision and administration and preparation of the mediation as simple as possible to avoid unnecessary work for you or your lawyers.

Philip is a CEDR (Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution) Accredited Mediator and a Cambridge Post-Graduate. He is a qualified Notary Public and a commercial partner at Wall James Chappell solicitors with fifteen years experience working for SMEs and blue-chip companies across Europe, America and the Far East. Philip has also worked in change management for large companies including BP, Shell and BMW.



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