

Family Law

Given the intricacy and sensitivities involved in family law matters, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss your particular circumstances, which will enable us to provide an accurate scope of work together with details of the associated costs. The complexity, and therefore the cost, will very much depend on your circumstances.

We will provide you with a fixed fee price or capped fee price (if appropriate) for an initial meeting to provide you with family law advice tailored to your circumstances to help you understand your options, explain the legal process and answer any specific questions you may have. The fee will be confirmed to you in advance of the meeting.

We have provided the fees below as a guide for certain specific services. All fees cited are exclusive of VAT @ 20%.

FEES AND OUTLAYS

Service	Fee (£)
Simplified Divorce Application	£400
Plus court outlays	£151*
Application for Undefended Divorce	£1750
Plus court outlays	£330*
Co-Purchase Agreements	£875
Registration dues (if desired)	£44**

* Correct as at July 2022

** Cost for registration and two extract copies. Correct as at July 2022

OUR WORK FOR YOU IN RELATION TO A SIMPLIFIED DIVORCE OR AN UNDEFENDED DIVORCE APPLICATION

- Meeting with you to receive your instructions
- Providing advice as appropriate to your circumstances
- Providing advice about jurisdiction, the grounds of divorce and your rights and entitlements on divorce, if relevant
- Preparing drafts of the court papers for you to review
- Making minor changes following review
- Providing advice about what documents require to be lodged with the court and arranging that, including affidavits where relevant
- Arranging for the signing of all documents
- Lodging them with the Court
- Arranging for the papers to be served on your spouse, where relevant (maximum two attempts by recorded delivery or Sheriff Officer)
- Securing decree of divorce and providing a copy to you

EXCLUSIONS

- Advice on and work associated with any additional steps needed if service of the papers is unsuccessful by recorded delivery or Sheriff Officer after 2 attempts or in the event your spouse's location is unknown by you
- Advice on and work associated with any Notice of Intention to Defend or Defences that may be lodged by your spouse (a defended action)
- Advice on and work associated with any communication received by your spouse or any agent instructed by them in connection with the divorce
- Preparation for and attendance at any Court hearing fixed by the Court

OUR WORK FOR YOU IN RELATION TO A CO-PURCHASE AGREEMENT

- Obtaining your instructions
- Providing advice about the law in relation to cohabitation in Scotland and the options available to you
- Preparing a draft Agreement for you to review
- Making minor changes following review
- Arranging for the draft to be sent formally to your partner (or their agent)
- Making minor changes following their review
- Arranging for the agreement to be signed
- Arranging for the original document to be registered in the Books of Council and Session (if desired) or stored in our secure storage facility
- Providing you with a copy of your signed Agreement

EXCLUSIONS

- Advice on and work associated with any unusual financial arrangements in relation to the purchase of the house
- Extensive advice in relation to your rights and obligations as a cohabitant
- Extensive revisions to the Agreement
- Negotiations with your partner or their agent on the terms of the agreement • Advice on any tax issue

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