

Children law

Hill Dickinson's family team specialises in helping families reach amicable solutions about childcare arrangements and, if they are not able to do so, in advising and representing in court proceedings.

Special advice is provided on:

- Residence orders (formerly known as custody)
- Contact orders (formerly known as access)
- Financial provision and child support claims
- Orders relating to children's schooling, e.g. determining whether a child should attend a particular school and, where applicable, payment of school fees
- Orders prohibiting certain steps, e.g. a parent taking a child out of the country without the other's agreement
- The obtaining and exercise of parental responsibility for children

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Hill Dickinson's family law team protects and safeguards clients through pragmatic, commercially driven advice on the full range of family law, tailoring legal expertise and practical knowledge to individuals' circumstances.

Things you should know

- Children are vulnerable to the effects of separation and divorce. In the vast majority of cases, children need to maintain a relationship with both parents and extended family, such as grandparents.
- If parents are able to reach an agreement, through discussions, solicitors negotiations or collaborative law, there may be no need to obtain a formal court order.
- What may be a workable contact arrangement at age five may be inappropriate at age 13. Likewise, financial needs change and child support needs to be the subject of ongoing review.
- Extended family members can seek advice and commence court proceedings if extended family relationships break down.

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