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Family Matters

Fixed Price Legal Services

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**We are here
to help families with**

Divorce & Separation

Civil Partnership Dissolution

Social Services Advice

Children Matters

Financial Settlements

Domestic Abuse

Cohabitation Rights

Our Fixed Fee Promise

The decision to take legal advice is seldom an easy one. You are likely to be experiencing a very difficult time in your own life. You may feel emotional, scared, angry and vulnerable. We understand that uncertainty over your legal costs can only add to your worries.

Canter Levin & Berg's bespoke Fixed Fees are specifically designed to take uncertainty away from legal support and give you control over your legal costs.

2013 has seen the government implement very drastic reforms to the Legal Aid scheme, which means many people who would otherwise have benefitted from free or reduced rate legal advice have been left feeling they have nowhere to turn.

With Canter Levin & Berg's bespoke Fixed Fees, we aim to provide you with a transparent and competitively priced legal advice.

Initial consultation for a fixed fee of only

£100 inc. VAT

Whatever your family law issue, Canter Levin & Berg Solicitors aims to provide you with professional legal advice at a guaranteed fixed fee.

Our fixed fee promise ensures you have access to the best possible confidential legal advice during these difficult times.



What are Fixed Fees?

Until now the majority of solicitors provided legal advice on an hourly rate, meaning legal costs can quickly mount up. This may pose difficulties if you are limited to a budget, or understandably want to retain control over your finances.

In response to changing times, Canter Levin & Berg are pleased to offer our bespoke Fixed Fee scheme. The scheme is tailored to your needs, you pay only for the advice and work which you instruct us to undertake on your behalf.

Unlike some schemes which are run by other firms, all our Fixed Fees include VAT because we believe Fixed Fees should be clear and straightforward.

We genuinely care about keeping your legal costs down and will be happy to refer you to other organisations, law firms or websites if we feel it would be of benefit to you. Unlike other firms, we do not believe it is fair to charge you for forms which you can obtain for free elsewhere.

If Mediation is appropriate in your case, we will also make a referral to Mediation for you for no charge.

In addition to our Fixed Fees, you may have to budget for court fees. We will always advise you if a court fee is necessary and will provide you with a free of charge application form so that you may apply for a court fee exemption if you wish.

Would Canter Levin & Berg bespoke Fixed Fees suit me?

If you want to benefit from transparent and competitively priced fixed cost legal advice, then the answer is 'yes'.

We will advise you of our competitively priced Fixed Fees before we proceed with any work on your behalf, meaning you really can retain control of your legal costs.





How do Canter Levin & Berg Fixed Fees work?

We offer a no-obligation Fixed Fee initial appointment to all new clients at £100 (inclusive of VAT). We simply ask you to attend your appointment with your identification, and means of payment.

During the initial appointment your specialist family law solicitor will provide you with expert legal advice in relation to your case. Unlike other firms, we do not limit the time of these initial appointments as we believe our clients deserve our time.

As your initial appointment is without any obligation to you, you choose how you wish to proceed. It might be the case that you wish to instruct us on a Fixed Fee basis, or it could be that, armed with expert legal advice, you wish to handle your matter yourself.

We believe that is a choice which you should be free to make.

If you choose to handle your matter yourself (you will be acting 'in person'), you will be the one who will receive paperwork from others in connection with your case. You can choose a further Fixed Fee legal advice appointment, or to instruct us to carry out further Fixed Fee work.

We can offer court representation for clients acting 'in person' for a Fixed Fee. If you wish to instruct us in relation to a matter which falls outside of our bespoke Fixed Fee scheme, or you wish for us to represent you fully, you can elect to do so at any time. We will always issue you with an estimate of how much your case is likely to cost.

Our experience can make yours better

Canter Levin & Berg pride ourselves on the experience and professionalism of our family team. Our team offers expert, no nonsense, clear legal advice in jargon-free language. We offer expert legal advice on all areas of family law including:-

- **Divorce and civil-partnership dissolution**
- **Judicial separation**
- **Financial settlements (ancillary relief)**
- **Cohabitation matters**
- **Children matters – including contact (formerly known as access), residence (formerly known as custody), parental responsibility, prohibited steps, specific issues**
- **Social services children matters – including care orders and supervision order**
- **Change of name deeds**
- **Domestic abuse protection**



Our team boasts expert solicitors accredited by the Law Society's Advanced Family Law Panel and the Law Society's Children Panel. We are members of the solicitor's family law association Resolution and adhere by their code of conduct.

We believe family matters should be dealt with in a constructive way designed to preserve people's dignity and encourage agreements. We believe our experience really can make yours better.

Expert tips for managing your case

1. Act quickly

Book a Fixed Fee appointment early on – sound legal advice can often stop difficulties escalating.

2. Pay as you go

Pay for your Fixed Fee legal services as you go – this means you can keep control of your legal expenses.

5. Think ahead

Make the most of your Fixed Fee appointments – before your appointment, take a little time to make a note of any issues you want to raise or questions you would like to ask.

4. Be organised

Invest in a hole puncher and place your correspondence, notes and any court papers into a ring binder, in date order. This will help you to quickly locate what you need. Make sure the other parties and court have your contact details. Internet access is very useful, if you do not already have access you could set up access through a friend or a local library.

5. Keep a diary

Not only to mark any important dates such as court hearings, but to make a note of anything which you might wish to refer to at a later date.



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