

## The Barrister Broker - reducing your legal costs



The last couple of months have flown by and Edenbridge life is keeping me busy as usual. I enjoyed a fun quiz night at

the WI Hall and my team came 4th! A definite improvement on last year. For the second year running I also entered the Titsey Trail 10K although disappointing to admit I was beaten by my wife by just 5 seconds!

The vast majority of enquiries I receive following these articles are from people either about to, or already in the process of going through a divorce. I recently read a statistic that almost 50% of all marriages end in divorce. Perhaps this is because there isn't any stigma attached with being divorced as there once used to be.

My first marriage lasted 12 years which some consider pretty good going. Casting my mind back to when I knew my marriage had realistically come to the end of the road, I recall how incredibly difficult it was to pluck up the courage to discuss this with my wife. Not only was there the two of us to consider but also parents, friends, and in our case two young children. I remember feeling shame and guilt of a failed marriage and the dread of having to tell people. That's a big reason I suspect why many people decide to stay in an unhappy relationship to avoid putting themselves through that pain.

Well, take it from me that despite those difficult initial months, taking the decision to separate and get divorced worked out to be one of the best things I ever did. Not just for me but for my ex-wife AND my children. Life does get better and you become happy again. Doesn't that sound great? You find your new found

happiness also rubs off onto other people around you. My relationship with my children improved immensely even though they lived with their mum. Having them every other weekend meant I made sure we had quality time together. I even learned to cook... but that is another story.

As one gentleman told me after we had spoken on the phone recently, I should clearly state in these articles - "Before you consider anything, consider this FIRST!". He was gutted he hadn't known about my service a year ago when his divorce proceedings started.

So, if you or someone you know is going through divorce or separation or having issues over the contact or residence of their children, consider this first. It costs nothing to speak to me but I could save you a lot of anxiety, time and money by providing you with the route to the most expert and cost-effective legal option available - straight to a Barrister. They are the legal experts and will give you no-nonsense, comprehensive advice on how to deal with your situation quickly and cost-effectively. Unlike solicitors who usually charge by the hour, using a Barrister via my service will mean, for the main part, paying a "fixed fee" for the work they undertake so you know in advance what it is going to cost before you commit yourself.

This is the Christmas edition of this magazine. January, being the start of a New Year usually means an influx in divorce petitions being issued - New Year, New Start, New Life! Make my number the first number you call.

***Remember, it costs nothing to speak to me but I could end up saving you thousands! Call me in confidence on 01732 866 562.***

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