

Joseph Murphy

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Joseph Murphy specialises in family law and financial disputes arising from relationship breakdown.

A former solicitor with over a decade's experience before coming to the Bar, he brings a calm, practical approach to emotionally and financially complex cases.

Joe began his legal career in 2007, working in the family department of a respected regional firm before moving to a Legal 500 practice in Cardiff. He later joined a Local Authority legal department, where he acted for Children's Services in public law proceedings. In 2017, he was called to the Bar to focus on advocacy and joined 30 Park Place.

Joe's practice is split between Family Court proceedings concerning private financial disputes, often involving property and pensions, and proceedings concerning children, including care and contact matters. He appears at all levels of the Family Court and is known for his outcome-focused advice and ability to engage constructively with clients and professionals alike.

He is approachable, responsive, and realistic in his advice, with a strong understanding of how legal decisions affect people's lives beyond the courtroom.

Alongside his practice, Joe acts as Chair of the Football Association of Wales' Disciplinary Appeals and Safeguarding Panels, bringing sound judgment and fairness to regulatory decision-making in sport.

Expertise

Cohabitee & Matrimonial Finance

Joe advises and represents clients in financial disputes following relationship breakdown, including cohabitee claims and matrimonial finance cases. His work often involves property ownership, pensions, and settlement negotiations. He provides clear, focused advice and is known for balancing strong advocacy with a practical understanding of real-world financial pressures.

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Family Dispute Resolution

Joe supports clients through family conflict with a focus on resolving issues constructively and efficiently. Whether advising early or representing clients in court, he is approachable, pragmatic, and responsive. He works to reduce conflict and achieve workable outcomes, particularly in disputes involving children or finances following separation.

Family & Childcare

Joe acts in children law proceedings at all levels of the Family Court. His experience includes representing local authorities, parents, and guardians in care, contact, and residence disputes. His background as a local authority solicitor brings empathy and insight to his work in complex and sensitive child protection cases.

Appointments

- Pupil Supervisor at 30 Park Place
- Chairman of the Football Association of Wales Disciplinary Appeals Panel
- Chairman of the Football Association of Wales Safeguarding Panel

Education

- Legal Practice Course, Cardiff Law School
- Law, Cardiff University

Memberships

- Family Law Bar Association
- Resolution