



Unified in Separation



FAQs

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Who can use 'US'?

It is suitable for those separating couples whose joint intention is to reach a conclusion that meets their needs and if they are parents, the needs of their children.

If you wish to use this service, it is imperative that you both give informed consent to disclose to each other all relevant factual and financial information to enable you to reach a joint decision. It would not be suitable for us to act for you both if you are not on the same page. You need to be on a level playing field without an imbalance of power and both be in the right headspace. If either of you have any concerns about the other or are not prepared to negotiate, this is not the right service for you.

Is this different to mediation?

The 'US' service is different to mediation. Mediators cannot provide specific tailored legal advice to those mediating. As part of the 'US' service we will be advising you on a joint beneficial basis and may also suggest additional expert input for you both as part of the team assisting you.

Would this service be considered a conflict of interest?

Traditionally family lawyers would not be able to act for one couple. However, it is now possible to do this whilst still complying with our regulatory duties, provided we carry out a full assessment of your situation to ensure that your interests are aligned, and you meet the criteria applicable to this type of service.

Next steps

If you are a separating couple who are interested in using our 'US' service, please get in touch to enable us to obtain further details and assess your suitability. We will provide you with full cost information and what further details we require from you. [Click here to meet our team of family law experts.](#)

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