



Southdown Consultants

Pension on Divorce Experts



Expert Witness Pension Reports
Acting As Financial Neutral
Providing Personal Support

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Who We Are



Southdown Consultants is a professional services firm that specialises in working with family lawyers, mediators and associated professionals.

Our focus is Expert Witness Pension Reports & Financial Forecasting.

We are passionate about what we do, both in the world of financial services and also with helping people transition through family breakdown.

Our team have a combined experience of 60 years in financial services and 30 years providing support and advice to family lawyers and their clients.

Both team members are Resolution Accredited Financial Advisers, Pension on Divorce Experts (PODE) and Chartered Financial Planners.

Commitment to Excellence

We are familiar with the time constraints and deadlines imposed when it comes to preparing reports for divorce purposes.

Conscious of the need to deliver accurate and concise reports and outcomes in a timely manner we have invested in the latest software and technology and have put robust and straightforward processes in place when working with you.

This allows us to keep you updated at all times, communicate and share files securely, with an assurance of an efficient and effective service.

Most importantly, our aim is for all reports to be easy to read and understood, whilst at the same time, precise and thorough.

⇒ Experienced

⇒ Efficient

⇒ Approachable

⇒ Reliable

⇒ Plain Speaking

⇒ Knowledgeable



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Meet The Team

You and your clients are in reliable and safe hands when instructing us to prepare reports and forecasts. We both have a financial advice and planning background and have been Resolution Accredited Financial Advisers since 2007.

Pensions on Divorce has been a central part of our work for many years. We both work in the same way and enjoy finding solutions for clients. Our aim is to provide understandable solutions that meet the needs of all parties as closely as is possible. We are not afraid of being inventive with these solutions and look for solutions where there may not appear to be one at the start.

Ian and Paul work closely with other professionals, including both accountants and solicitors and were nominated and shortlisted for Wolverhampton Law Society Professional of the Year 2017 (Ian) ,2018 (Paul) and 2019 (Paul).

We **do not** provide regulated financial advice through Southdown Consultants. If regulated advice is required this can be provided through our respective regulated companies (Beaufort Financial (Paul) and Oculus Wealth Management (Ian))



Ian Hawkins AFPC

Ian is a Chartered Financial Planner and a Resolution Accredited Specialist in Financial Planning on Divorce.

Ian is co-chair of the Resolution Collaborative Working Party and is passionate about helping people resolve disputes in the best way for them.

With 30 years of experience in financial services and financial planning, he is a strong advocate of delivering advice and planning that it is straightforward, simple and easy to understand

Outside of work Ian prefers to be active and outside, having become a keen gardener in recent years. Ian is married with four children/step children and a grandson.

Paul is a Chartered Financial Planner and a Resolution Accredited Specialist in Financial Planning on Divorce. Like Ian, he is one of only a handful of Financial Advisers in the UK who've attained these qualifications.

Paul was appointed as an Education Champion by the Personal Finance Society in 2019 and provides financial education in schools to students on money matters and personal finance.

With 30 years experience in financial services and financial planning, Paul is a strong advocate of delivering solutions, advice and reports in a way that is straightforward and easy to understand.

Paul has been married for 28 years, has four children and is a very keen cyclist. He also likes to sketch and paint when time permits.



Paul Gorman AFPC



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Expert Witness Pension Reports

Simple and Clear - that is our objective with the reports we create. Finances, pensions and the law are all complex matters in their own right. We do not wish to add any confusion and thus our reports will answer the questions that are asked of us in a clear manner that is understandable for all.

Working as a Financial Neutral

Whether it be within a Collaborative setting or within a mediation we are able to provide information in a clear and understandable manner.

We will assist in exploring options so that the parties can make progress and be able to make informed decisions.



Personal Support

We believe it is important for clients to understand the impact of the settlements they are negotiating. With the use of forecasting & planning tools we can help you visualise your financial future so you are able to move forward with confidence.

Further Resource

Additional items are available on our website (www.southdownconsultants.co.uk), these include a draft letter of instructions, user guides and other useful information.

If you should wish to make further enquiries please contact either Ian or Paul.

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