

# Joanne Thomas

## Director

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*"Joanne Thomas is one of the most dedicated and diligent solicitors I work with, and is always willing to go the extra mile for her clients. Her advice is always practical and sound."*

(The Legal 500, 2024)

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Joanne Thomas has specialised in all aspects of Family Law since qualifying in 2012, developing a particular expertise in advising on marital agreements, divorce, cohabitation disputes and financial matters arising from the breakdown of a relationship. She regularly advises on cases involving family businesses, inherited wealth and complex legal issues across Oxfordshire and Bristol.

Whether advising on financial matters or disputes involving children, Joanne is dedicated to providing clear, pragmatic advice, which enables her clients to achieve the best, long-term solution.

As a member of Resolution, a national organisation of professionals committed to the constructive resolution of family disputes, Joanne advocates resolving family issues as amicably and cost-effectively as possible, particularly where children are involved. However, it is not always possible to resolve family issues without involving the Court. Where contested court proceedings are instigated, Joanne is highly experienced in advising and supporting clients through the legal process.

Joanne is listed as a Recommended Lawyer and recognised as a Rising Star in The Legal 500 (2024 edition) in Family.

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Joanne Thomas is listed as a Leading Lawyer by [Wiselaw](#).

## Legal Services

### Family Law

#### Selected Cases

- Advising a wife following the breakdown of her marriage, where the financial assets were worth circa £5 million and included complex international business issues.
- Advising and representing a client through the Court process arising from their divorce circa 10 years following the dissolution of their marriage.

## Financial Issues - How do I Resolve?

Joanne can assist you if you have to resolve financial issues.

#### Selected Cases

- Achieved financial settlement through advising and representing a husband through the Court process in relation to financial matters arising from the breakdown of his marriage where the only asset was an inheritance received by the wife shortly before the parties separated.

## Pre & Postnuptial Agreements

Joanne also works with couples interested in preserving wealth with the preparation of pre and post-marital agreements.

## Cohabitation Agreements

Joanne can help cohabiting couples.

## How to get a Divorce

Joanne can advise on all aspects of relationship breakdown and separation.

## Civil Partnerships

Joanne can advise on Civil Partnerships.

## What if I have to go to court?

If you are dealing with issues in court, Joanne can advise on what factors the court would take into account.

## Pensions & Divorce

Joanne can advise on pensions and divorce.

## Taking a Child Abroad

Joanne can advise on taking a child abroad.

## Child Maintenance & Appeals

Sorting out the financial consequences arising from divorce can be difficult and confusing. There have been various attempts to simplify the system and improve the quality of the service given to families through the Child Maintenance Service (CMS). However, calculating payments isn't always straightforward.

## Making a Will after Divorce

If you are in the process of getting divorced or your civil partnership dissolved, we would always recommend that you discuss whether it is appropriate for you to either update your Will or make a new Will if you do not have one.

## Sectors