

Our Mission

Helping families who face divorce or other conflict resolve disputes with respect and dignity.

Each member has pledged to:

- work toward solutions that preserve the dignity of the family
- work to resolve disputes in creative ways
- work toward cooperative solutions using court as a last resort
- place the needs of children first in all matters that involve children
- be sensitive to power imbalances and abuse histories in order to mitigate their impact on the process and outcome of dispute resolution
- be truthful in all matters
- treat all individuals with dignity, courtesy and respect
- strive to achieve the highest standards of competence in performing our professional duties
- abide by the letter of the law and the spirit of all applicable professional codes
- use cost effective processes in the resolution of family disputes
- participate in a satisfaction monitoring system, be accountable and responsive to feedback from clients and others
- participate in professional growth opportunities

The independent professionals who comprise FAMILY MATTERS, Ltd. are available to meet you at a number of locations throughout the Greater Minneapolis/St. Paul Metro Area.

If you believe FAMILY MATTERS, Ltd. could help you, please call...

(651) 310-9804

or visit our website at...
family-matters.com



Turn to us.

First.



A Network of
Independent Professionals
experienced in Divorce
and other Family Conflicts.

Whatever your family problems are, we do everything we can to help you resolve them before a court decides for you.

If you act early, almost any family problem can be handled privately, with calm and dignity, in a number of ways.

By calling one number, you have access to a network of independent professionals committed to guiding families. We will help you find solutions that preserve the dignity of the family without the cost--in both financial and emotional terms--of letting a court make family decisions.

Our experience has taught us that 1) families benefit when creative solutions effectively address legal issues without unnecessary expense and conflict; and 2) children benefit when--despite changes in the family structure--they have two active, loving parents.

With so many emotions involved, this is not an easy time for anyone.

Turn to experienced professionals who have been there for others.

Before the anger takes over.

First, if you wish, a confidential, personal consultation to discuss all the choices available to you.

Then, you choose the process, and we help you find the resources you need.

Here are just a few of the options available to families in times of great pressure and stress...

- Hire one or two neutral professionals who help you reach an agreement. **Mediation**
- Choose to have decisions made by someone other than a judge. **Arbitration**
- Hire a neutral person to act as both mediator and, if necessary, arbitrator. **Mediation & Arbitration**
- Hire a specialist to help you specifically with visitation issues. **Visitation Expeditors**
- Hire a consultant to aid you in solving child custody and visitation issues. **Parental Consultants**
- Hire a qualified financial consultant to advise you on tax and financial issues. **Financial Consultant**
- Hire lawyers who agree to resolve the matters without going to court. **Collaborative Law**
- You and your attorneys seek the assistance of a judge to assist in resolving conflict in an informal manner. **Divorce with Dignity**
- Meet with an attorney to explore a variety of options including a court

Domestic Abuse?

We are sensitive to issues of physical or other abuse and power imbalances. If you come with these issues, we can help you with options tailored to your individual circumstances and needs.

Money Problems? Parenting Problems? Communication Problems?

Family Matters can provide resources to help you with problems that arise during family conflicts, including the impact of divorce on children, money management, communication between parents and between parents and children.

