

## Our mediators



### Gavin Faber PARTNER

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#### Experience

Gavin qualified in 1999 and has been a partner since 2005. He heads up the Private Wealth Disputes team at Roythornes Solicitors, having previously led a national team. He holds the STEP Advanced Certificate in Trust Disputes and is a full member of ACTAPS. Gavin is recognised as a Leading Partner in The Legal 500 and Band 1 in Chambers and Partners High Net Worth Guide.

Gavin trained and qualified as a mediator in 2007 with ADR Group. He specialises in a wide range of disputes arising out of issues with Trusts, Wills and Estates.

He has expertise in dealing with disputes including: following the breakdown of a relationship between executors/trustees and beneficiaries, breach of duties by executors and trustees, challenges to Wills, claims for maintenance out of Estates, problems with the administration of Estates, and claims concerning Trust or Estate assets.

A large part of Gavin's practice includes bringing and defending professional negligence claims against advisors, including those arising from poorly drafted Wills and Trust instruments and failures to give proper tax or investment advice.

#### Mediation

Gavin has a very relaxed approach that enables the parties to feel comfortable and engaged at mediations. As an accredited mediator, Gavin knows when to challenge parties, enabling them to reassess their position and unlock the dispute.

**Recent mediation experience includes:** Claims under Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependants) Act 1975, challenges to Wills on grounds of lack of due execution, capacity, knowledge and approval and undue influence, breach of Trust claims disputes between executors, trustees and beneficiaries, disputes over construction of Wills and Trusts and rectification, challenges to ownership of property on the basis of resulting and constructive Trusts and proprietary estoppel, commercial contract disputes and sales of goods claims, professional negligence claims against solicitors, trustees, accountants, financial advisers and surveyor and breach of fiduciary duty claims.

#### Professional Associations

- Full member of the Association of Contentious Trusts and Probate Specialists (ACTAPS) – co founded the central ACTAPS Group
- Affiliate member of the Society of Trusts and Estate Practitioners (STEP) – sits on STEP Committee Birmingham
- Member of The Association of Lifetime Lawyers (formerly Solicitors for the Elderly (SFE))
- Birmingham Law Society Private Client Committee Member
- National Association of Independent Administrators