

Cross-Border Family Law Services

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Our professionals at <u>Belluzzo International Partners</u> and our associated firm of solicitors Phillip's Lewis Smith can assist you with any issue regarding family law, including cases of a cross-border nature. From the drafting of a pre-nuptial agreement through to dealing with your finances and childcare arrangements after a divorce, we are at the side of our clients.

Divorce is the process of terminating a marriage or marital union. Usually, divorce entails cancelling or reorganising the legal duties and responsibilities of marriage. The process and meaning of divorce differ around the world between countries and cultures. Divorce requires the sanction of a court or other authority in a legal process, which may include a variety of factors including:

- Distribution of property
- Child custody
- Child visitation
- Division of debt

When a divorcing couple are nationals of different countries, the dilemma can arise over which country would be right to deal with their divorce. One partner might start proceedings in the jurisdiction which would be more favourable to them. Divorce laws differ from country to county, including the rules which govern the areas of financial settlements, the length of time the marriage lasted and for how long the couple were separated before the marriage broke down, the grounds for divorce and the times scales involved in the process.

We have expertise in supporting high net worth clients; business owners or clients with business interests; clients in the public eye such as sportspersons; clients with wealth distributed abroad and complex cross-border cases under multiple jurisdictions.

Our Family Law team is based in offices in London, which we share with our associated firm of solicitors <u>Phillips Lewis</u> <u>Smith</u>. We have a network of worldwide professionals who collaborate with us to guide and support our clients and protect their interests.

We are proud to announce that Belluzzo International Partners have entered a professional partnership with Laura Logli, a prominent Italian lawyer based in Milan and specialised in family law.

This partnership will serve to strengthen our cross-border legal services to foreign nationals, and we welcome Laura to our team!

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you require assistance in this regard.



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