



George Mathieson

Curriculum Vitae

I am director and founder of Mathieson Consulting Limited. The company was established to provide highly specialised services to matrimonial lawyers, barristers and others in the field of Pensions & Divorce. Since the firm also employs Actuaries, Mathieson Consulting Limited also offers other actuarial services.

Historically, I have been an Associate of the Chartered Institute of Bankers, by examination, and an FSA (now FCA) authorised independent financial adviser, which was also granted only on completion of study and examination. In addition, I have studied and passed the Advanced Financial Planning Certificate, as assessed by the Chartered Insurance Institute.

I have worked in the financial services sector for 30 years, in personal banking, corporate banking, investment services and pension advice services. I have a wide experience of managing the investments which comprise the pension assets about which I comment, as well as advising on the establishment, maintenance, funding and administration of many types of pension scheme.

Over the past 10 years I have been asked to consider pension issues in over 1000 Financial Remedy proceedings. I undertake a forensic analysis of benefit disclosure, and advise both instructing solicitor and Counsel upon the options available, and the ramifications for their clients. My involvement in these has included acting as a single joint expert, party expert, and shadow expert.

In addition, I am now receiving a number of instructions to act as expert witness in professional negligence cases involving pensions and divorce, with the Instruction coming from the Respondent Solicitor or their PI Insurers - not the Plaintiff.

I have experience in giving oral evidence in Court and being cross examined thereon.

I was involved in the Martin-Dye case, advising Counsel for Mr Martin-Dye in the Court of Appeal.

I have delivered many lectures around the country, for Resolution, sets of Chambers, and professionally for specialist legal training firms. I have also run many in-house training sessions for matrimonial lawyers.

I have had a number of articles published in leading legal journals on the subject of Pensions and Divorce, including Family Law Journal.

I have now been formally engaged to provide expert analysis of Judgements as far as pensions are concerned, in the first major qualitative and quantitative research paper into pensions and divorce being undertaken by the Law School at Cardiff University and funded by the Nuffield Foundation. This work involves assessing, with the Court's permission, over 500 judgements from three different Courts in the UK, and analysing how pensions were treated. This will provide me with a greater understanding of how different Courts deal with pension matters.

I am collaboratively trained and have experience in round table meetings. I am also a member of the Expert Witness Institute.