



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 15 years I have been asked to consider pension issues in over 2500 Financial Remedy proceedings, where I have written Expert Witness Reports. I undertake a forensic analysis of benefit disclosure, and advise both instructing solicitors and Counsel on 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, and delivered a paper to the FLBA National Conference on the subject of Offsetting. 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 am one of the founders of the Pension Advisory Group, set up under the Chairmanship of The Honourable Mr Justice Francis, which is a multi-disciplinary group (Lawyers, Pension Experts, and Academics) established to achieve clarity and consistency of approach by the Courts to pensions in divorce proceedings.

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