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Collaborative Law Can Help Make Divorce Less Bitter

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Eatons Solicitors are actively involved in a new initiative backed by top family judges and lawyers to try and encourage those facing divorce to resolve their difficulties without the need of going to Court. About 400 marriages end in divorce each day and of these about 10% will be contested - a process that can be a long and expensive business. With what is known as 'Collaborative Law' those seeking a divorce undertake to resolve issues from the breakdown of their marriage via negotiation.

Collaborative law is a non confrontational approach and uses skills in client representation, negotiation and problem solving to assist those seeking divorce in reaching a fair agreement and is similar to a successful scheme used in North America. Each side will still have their own lawyers who will assist their clients in coming to an amicable agreement. If agreement cannot be made and the case goes to court the original lawyers cannot represent them.

This type of approach is suitable for most types of divorce including those involving children and large amounts of

assets and if successful will avoid the need to use a court. This may save both money and time in getting an agreement as well as minimising the emotional costs!

Bradford law firm Eatons Solicitors, Head of Family and Matrimonial Law, Liz Williams, is qualified to undertake collaborative law and to assist some of the many thousands of people who undertake a divorce each year. Liz commented that 'Collaborative law can be an extremely helpful way of approaching settlement issues as its non confrontational approach can be a better

way for many couples to resolve their problems.' Liz continued 'We provide legal expertise and support throughout the process which can often result in speedier resolutions and settlements which are seen to be fair.'

Liz is a member of Resolution an organisation whose members are committed to resolving disputes in a non confrontational way.

For more information on this or other matters relating to family or matrimonial law please contact Liz Williams on Tel: 01274 728 327.

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