

# Litigation solicitors - making sense of civil claims

It may seem obvious but a dispute usually arises out of one of the two following situations: a disagreement between two or more parties who share some kind of relationship or because one such party believes another to have committed some kind of wrong.

However, what all such disputes have in common is the belief that the actions of one party have had an adverse impact on another, most often in the form of financial loss. For those who feel they have been wronged, litigation may be the only option.

## FACTS ABOUT CIVIL LITIGATION

# 1.4 MILLION

The number of claims brought before the courts each year



### 3 - 4%

The percentage that require a hearing



### 96 - 97%

The percentage of civil claims settled without the need for court action



On average small claims hearings (valued at under £10,000) last less than an hour



Trial claims (valued at more than £10,000) typically last a little longer than a single day

## MEANS TO RESOLUTION

Contrary to popular perception most disputes are settled outside of the courts. There are many ways to ensure effective dispute resolution without the cost, stress and inconvenience of litigation through the court system.



A good civil litigation solicitor can help you find the path to that is best for your case, whether this is through mediation, alternative dispute resolution, arbitration or action through the courts.

Knowing who to turn to when you are contemplating civil litigation related to a dispute with a neighbour, professional, contract, will or property can make all the difference.

Here at Oratto, we understand that having the right legal guidance from the outset is the best move you can make. If you want to speak to one of our member litigation lawyers, get in touch with us so that we can connect you with the specialist who is best suited to you and the details of your case.

## TYPES OF CIVIL LITIGATION

Inheritance Act Claims

Breach of Contract Claims

Will Disputes

Landlord-Tenant Disputes

Contentious Probate

Court of Protection Claims

Boundary Disputes

Building Disputes

Property Disputes

Estate Agent Disputes

Professional Negligence Claims

Motoring offence claims

Trust Disputes

Claims against the police

# 30

Average number of weeks it takes before small claims (£10,000 and under) receive a hearing



# 59

Average number of weeks between submission and trial ending for claims worth more than £10,000

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## ENSURE THE RIGHT CIVIL LITIGATION LEGAL ADVICE

Do you want to know your rights and options in relation to a potential civil claim. Oratto is here to make sure you are put in contact with the right litigation services practitioner for your personal circumstances. Our member civil litigation specialists have experience of handling all kinds of cases, from small to high value claims, right across the UK.

When you come to Oratto, our priority is always to find you the right solicitor for your needs. Browse through our member solicitors' profiles to choose the professionals you would like to make contact with.