

Family law: Useful links for Guernsey-based clients

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ADOPTION

www.adoptionuk.org

Provides support, friendship and information to adopters and prospective adopters.

www.corambaaf.org.uk

An independent membership organisation for professionals, foster carers, adopters and anyone working with children in or from care, or adults who have been affected by adoption.

CHILD ABDUCTION

www.guernsey.police.uk

Guernsey Police

www.gov.gg/GBA

Guernsey Border Agency

www.reunite.org

Charitable organisation concerned with international child abduction.

www.hcch.net

The text of the Hague Convention re child abduction.

CHILDREN

www.itsnotyourfault.org

Practical information for children, young people and parents going through family breakdown.

www.childrenslawcentre.org

Helping young people work with and understand laws which affect them.

www.cafcass.co.uk

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Website of The Children & Family Court Advisory & Support Service

www.childline.org.uk

A helpline for children and young people.

www.nspcc.org.uk

Child protection website and helpline.

www.barnardos.org.uk

Barnardo's website.

CHILD MAINTENANCE

www.cmoptions.org

A very useful website for calculating child maintenance based on the English Child Support Agency rules.

COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT

www.alcoholics-anonymous.org.uk

Service to help people with alcohol addiction.

www.counselling-directory.org.uk

UK support network helping individuals find a qualified counsellor or psychotherapist in their local area.

www.drugconcern.org

Help and advice for people with concerns relating to drug or substance abuse.

www.grove-clinic.com

John Halker at The Grove Clinic offers a private and confidential service for clients in Guernsey who wish to maintain or improve their emotional health.

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Sarah Craske is a locally based psychotherapist, providing help for children and parents coping with separation.

www.marriagecare.org.uk

Formerly the Catholic Marriage Advisory Council.

www.philippi.co.uk

A Christian charity providing counselling across a broad range of problems.

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www.relate.org.uk

A UK based charity offering marriage guidance counselling.

www.samaritans.org

Provides 24 hour confidential emotional support to those experiencing despair, distress or suicidal feelings.

www.bacp.co.uk

The British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy.

www.insidedivorce.com

This is an online community website providing useful information to help you through the divorce process.

www.jmc-uk.org

Jewish Marriage Council providing help and support for members of the Jewish community.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

www.guernsey.police.uk

Public Protection Unit. Telephone: 01481 725111.

www.refuge.org.gg

The Women's Refuge provides emergency accommodation and support services, including 24 hour telephone helpline and outreach support to women and their children who have been victims of domestic abuse. Telephone: 01481 721999.

www.womensaid.org.uk

A national charity working to end domestic violence against women and children.

www.mankind.org.uk

A website offering help for male victims of domestic violence.

FAMILIES

www.islandfamilies.com

A very useful parenting website based locally.

www.bbc.co.uk/parenting

Share your parenting tips or get advice from other mums and dads.

www.parentlineplus.org.uk

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Confidential helpline for parents and anyone caring for children.

www.frg.org.uk

The Family Rights Group provides advice and services to families whose children are involved with Social Services.

www.netmums.com

A network for mums (and dads) offering information at both national and local level. Once registered, you can access details for local resources such as child-friendly cafes, childminders, place to go, etc.

www.familyandparenting.org

Charity aiming to improve the wellbeing of children and families in the UK.

FATHERS

www.fnf.org.uk

Families Need Fathers - information and support on shared parenting following divorce or separation.

www.separateddads.co.uk

This website helps with ideas on how to cope with your children when you are together and/or apart.

FINANCES

www.spf.gg

Independent Financial Advisors.

GRANDPARENTS

www.grandparents-association.org.uk

Support and advice for grandparents.

LEGAL INFORMATION

www.cabguernsey.org

Citizens Advice Bureau in Guernsey.

www.resolution.org.uk

An organisation of solicitors specialising in family law.

www.divorce.co.uk

An overview of divorce in the UK, including the law, mediation options and emotional support.

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www.guernseybar.com

Website providing contact details for Guernsey firms and an introduction to Guernsey law.

www.guernseylegalresources.gg

A website providing easy access to Guernsey legal material.

www.gov.gg/law

The Law Officers of the Crown provide a comprehensive range of legal services for the Crown, the States of Guernsey, the States of Alderney and the Chief Pleas of Sark.

www.childrenslegalcentre.com

Promoting children's rights in the UK and worldwide.

MEDIATION

www.mediate.com

A directory of mediators, articles and resources on negotiation, mediation and collaboration.

www.thefma.co.uk

The Family Mediators Association - this website provides information regarding family mediation for couples in dispute, particularly those going through separation or divorce.

SINGLE PARENTS

www.gingerbread.org.uk

Free information to lone parents, including benefits, tax and housing.

www.onespace.org.uk

An action network for single parent families.