

TIPS FOR PRACTITIONERS

1. As solicitors, we represent our clients. However, we are also officers of the Court and have a special responsibility in that regard.
2. Care should be taken with written correspondence. All communication should be constructive, informative and effective. At all times, but especially now, correspondence should not contain emotive or inflammatory language.
3. Pick up the phone and speak to your colleague.
4. Do not take your colleagues short.
5. Even greater care is required when dealing with a person who is not represented by a solicitor.
6. Encourage clients to co-operate with the other parent.
7. Practitioners should, as far as possible, keep in touch with clients on a regular basis so as to allay fears and tensions of clients at this stressful time.