



Collaborative Practice
Resolving Disputes Respectfully

**Settle your divorce with legal support
but without going to Court.**

Hamilton/Halton

COLLABORATIVE FAMILY PRACTICE

Collaborative Family Practice is about cooperation, not confrontation. It is problem solving with collaborative lawyers, financial and family professionals, where you and your spouse try to understand each other to achieve mutually satisfactory agreements finalizing your divorce.

The process helps you and your spouse to:

- Find and focus on your common interests;
- Understand and address each other's concerns;
- Exchange information;
- Explore a wide range of possible choices; and
- Reach solutions acceptable to both of you.

What is unique is that you, your spouse and both collaborative lawyers sign a contract agreeing not to go to court. Other professionals are brought in as need be, also bound by an agreement not to go to Court. Settlement is thus the goal. Not an escalation of conflict.

Further, rather than being bound by a Court schedule of conferences and hearings, the Collaborative Family Practice process uses informal meetings and discussion to settle all issues with an interest to your timetable.

The members of the Hamilton/Halton Collaborative Family Practice Group are all experienced family law lawyers, financial and family life / parenting professionals who have received specialized training in the concepts and methods of Collaborative Practice and Alternative Dispute Resolution.

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