

Application to Train as a Family Law Arbitrator

Personal details

Title (Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms or Other):

Full name:

(Please state name as you would wish it to appear on Ciarb documents e.g certificates. A £10 fee is payable for subsequent amendments).

Resolution membership number if applicable:

Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy):

Address:

Postcode:

Telephone:

Email address:

Qualifications

Please tick one box:

Solicitor Date qualified (dd/mm/yyyy): Date retired (if applicable):

Barrister Date qualified (dd/mm/yyyy): Date retired (if applicable):

FCILex Date qualified (dd/mm/yyyy): Date retired (if applicable):

Part time judge

Part time tribunal chairperson

Retired full time judge Date retired (if applicable):

I confirm that:

1. I wish to train as a:

Financial arbitrator

Children's Arbitrator

2. I support the Resolution Code of Practice.

3. I have at least 10 years post qualification experience in England and Wales immediately preceding my application in the discipline in which I wish to qualify.

4. I have spent a minimum of 600 hours per annum carrying out family law case work during each of the 10 years immediately preceding this application 400 hours of which were in the discipline in which I wish to qualify. Please describe below the nature of your practice:

If you have spent a minimum of 600 hours per annum carrying out family law case work relevant to the scheme for 10 years but those 10 years are not immediately preceding your application you must provide evidence of up to date knowledge of family law. IFLA reserves the right to ask further questions/ elicit further information from you if it is not clear from the application that you qualify in accordance with the relevant criteria.

5. I understand that if I successfully complete the training and award writing exercise and become a Member of Ciarb I will join the IFLA panel of arbitrators and I will comply with the conditions for remaining on the panel which are set out in the Prospectus.

6. I understand that once appointed as arbitrator in a case IFLA will have no responsibility for my conduct as I will be governed by the rules and regulations, code of ethics, complaints and disciplinary procedures as a member of Ciarb. I will deal directly with the parties and will be solely responsible for agreeing, invoicing and collecting my fees.

7. I certify that I will have all necessary insurances in place.

8. I undertake to inform IFLA of the outcome and date of outcome of every case referred to me by IFLA.

9. I understand that IFLA does not guarantee any case or any minimum number of cases will be referred to me. I understand that Ciarb is under no obligation to provide cases.

10. I understand that an administration fee of £144 (£120 + VAT) is payable to Resolution. This fee is not refundable.

11. I understand that upon acceptance onto the training scheme I will be invoiced by Ciarb for the training course fee of (TBC for 2025) for the financial arbitrator training course or the children arbitrator training course payable before the start of the training course and in conjunction with the Ciarb fees policy available to view at <https://www.ciarb.org/media/sf2l3epi/fee-terms-and-conditions.pdf>.

Note: In the case of solicitors, barristers, FCILEx or part time judges or tribunal chairpersons you are required to give the name and address of two referees who are judges, tribunal chairpersons, King's Counsel or IFLA arbitrators qualified in the discipline the applicant wishes to qualify in .i.e. finance or children who can certify that you meet the competencies set out in the Prospectus. Only one of the referees may be from the same firm or chambers as you.

Applicants who are retired judges do not need to provide referees.

Referee One

Referee's name:

Referee's address:

Email address if known:

Referee Two

Referee's name:

Referee's address:

Email address if known:

Preferred Courses

Please indicate your preferred course:

Virtual Delivery – IFLA Family Arbitration Children's Scheme Training – (Course Fee 2025 – TBC)

Part 1: Monday, 24 February & Tuesday, 25 February 2025 (half days) 09.00 – 13.00

Part 2: Wednesday, 26 February & Thursday, 27 February 2025 (half days) 09.00 – 13.00

Part 2 is also available for candidates who want to dual qualify.

Hybrid Delivery – IFLA Family Arbitration Financial Scheme Training – (Course Fee 2025 – TBC)

Part 1 Tuesday, 7 October & Wednesday, 8 October 2025 (virtually half days) 09.00 – 13.00

Part 2: Thursday, 9 October 2025 (full day, face to face at HQ Bloomsbury Sq) 09.00 – 17.00

Part 2 is also available for candidates who want to dual qualify.

Signature: _____

Insert image of your signature here

Date (dd/mm/yyyy):

Please return this completed and signed application form by email to Andrea Khan, Senior Membership Courses Manager, Ciarb: akhan@ciarb.org. Eligibility is considered without discrimination.