

Gillian Bishop

Gillian has been a solicitor for over 35 years and a specialist family lawyer for the last 25 years. During that time she has developed passion for learning more about the context of the work she does. For many years she chaired the Skills and Support committee of Resolution with the aim of promoting essential skills training and pushing the boundaries of the average family lawyer's knowledge. In 2017 she set up FLiP Faculty with a view to providing essential skills training to the family law profession.

Qualifications and skills

Gillian is a trained collaborative lawyer, children law arbitrator, mediator and family law supervisor. She provides one to one regular, confidential supervision to a number of family lawyers.

Gillian has over many years run workshops on essential skills for Resolution, IACP and FLiP Faculty of which she is a director.

Passion

I have long wanted to help good lawyers become great ones by providing the training that is generally not available in law colleges or in practice. The sort of training that, looking back on a long career, you wish you had had at the beginning. I also have a passion for silence a much undervalued resource but which provides the opportunity to discover so much. In a busy world getting busier, taking time to reflect on the work we do is ever more important. I firmly believe that supervision plays a vital role in the good mental health of practitioners – it is our oxygen mask.