

# Unsigned Contract Dispute: Ashton Law Secures Favourable Judgment

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Ashton Law has recently supported a client in securing a favourable judgment in a contract dispute involving an unsigned agreement, reinforcing the principle that enforceable rights can exist even in the absence of a formally executed document.

The case centred around a commercial arrangement that had been clearly acted upon by both parties, despite the contract not being formally signed.

## The Issue: No Signature, Disputed Obligation

The opposing party argued that the absence of a signed agreement meant that no binding contract existed, seeking to avoid responsibility for obligations that had already been relied upon.

However, the client had already acted in reliance on the agreed terms, creating a situation where the practical reality differed significantly from the argument being presented.

## Establishing the Position

Ashton Law carried out a detailed review of communications, conduct, and the surrounding circumstances to demonstrate that a clear agreement had been formed through behaviour and mutual understanding.

The focus was placed on evidencing intention, reliance, and the actions taken by both parties, rather than relying solely on the presence of a formal signature.

## The Outcome: Judgment in Favour

The court ultimately found in favour of Ashton Law's client, recognising that the absence of a signed contract did not negate the existence of enforceable rights.

The judgment confirmed that the agreement, while unsigned, had been sufficiently established through conduct and reliance, and that it would be unjust to allow one party to withdraw from their obligations.

## Conclusion

This case highlights an important principle within contract law: that agreements can still carry legal weight even where formal execution has not taken place.

Ashton Law continues to support clients in identifying and enforcing their rights, particularly in situations where agreements have broken down or are being challenged.