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Since 2003, the Australian Attorney-General's Department has funded Family Law Pathways Network ('FLPN') to provide professional assistance for separating families when navigating the legal and human support network maze. The FLPN serve in providing an assured access to information and necessary services in the family justice system. Thirty-three FLPN now operate across Australia. FLPN funding relies on annual government funding approval creating a fragile funding basis for their continued work. In response the FLPN has sought evidence to determine just how important their role is in the family domain. This article reports on an evidence-based research project that provides a snapshot of FLPN activities and their value to the local community across FLPN communities in Australia.

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In the 2017 decision of the High Court in *Thorne v Kennedy*, two financial agreements (a pre-nuptial and a post-nuptial agreement) made under the Family Law Act 1975 were set aside on the equitable grounds of undue influence and unconscionable conduct. The case highlighted the potential injustice of such agreements and set a valuable precedent for future equitable intervention. Despite this, Australia's system of binding financial agreements remains one that perpetuates women's position of disadvantage relative to men. This article adopts a socialist feminist perspective to critique the legal framework of binding financial agreements in Australia and reflect on the unfulfilled potential of *Thorne*.

Case Note

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