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## Separation & Divorce—Applications

### Checklist: Documents To Show Your Divorce Attorney

Divorce is complicated – legally, financially, and emotionally. In order to ensure the best possible outcome, gather the following documents together and provide copies to your attorney, along with any others he or she specifically requests. By so doing, the two of you can work together as partners to reach a resolution of your divorce that protects your and your children's immediate and long-term interests.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Individual income tax returns for past three to five years (federal, state, and local)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Business income tax returns for past three to five years (federal, state, and local)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Proof of your current income
- \_\_\_\_\_ Proof of spouse's current income
- \_\_\_\_\_ Prenuptial agreement
- \_\_\_\_\_ Separation agreement
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bank statements
- \_\_\_\_\_ Certificates of deposit
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pension statements
- \_\_\_\_\_ Retirement account statements
- \_\_\_\_\_ Trusts
- \_\_\_\_\_ Stock portfolios
- \_\_\_\_\_ Stock options
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mortgages
- \_\_\_\_\_ Property tax statements
- \_\_\_\_\_ Credit card statements
- \_\_\_\_\_ Loan documents
- \_\_\_\_\_ Utility bills
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other bills (e.g., school tuition, unreimbursed medical bills, music lessons for children, etc.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly budget worksheet
- \_\_\_\_\_ Completed financial statements
- \_\_\_\_\_ Employment contracts
- \_\_\_\_\_ Benefits statements
- \_\_\_\_\_ Life insurance policies
- \_\_\_\_\_ Health insurance policies
- \_\_\_\_\_ Homeowner's insurance policies
- \_\_\_\_\_ Automobile insurance policies
- \_\_\_\_\_ Personal property appraisals
- \_\_\_\_\_ Real property appraisals
- \_\_\_\_\_ List of personal property, including home furnishings, jewelry, artwork, computers, home office equipment, clothing and furs, etc.
- \_\_\_\_\_ List of property owned by each spouse prior to marriage
- \_\_\_\_\_ List of property acquired by each spouse individually by gift or inheritance during the marriage
- \_\_\_\_\_ List of contents of safety deposit boxes
- \_\_\_\_\_ Wills
- \_\_\_\_\_ Living Wills
- \_\_\_\_\_ Powers of Attorney
- \_\_\_\_\_ Durable Powers of Attorney
- \_\_\_\_\_ Advance Health Care Directives