

WHICH PACKET OF FAMILY LAW FORMS IS RIGHT FOR ME?

Review the various options below and choose the packet that most closely fits your current circumstances.

1. SIMPLIFIED DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (12.901) – packet includes petition, indigence application, marital settlement agreement, cover sheet, notice of related cases, summons, process service memo
 - My spouse and I do not have own any property jointly.
 - My spouse and I do not have any minor child(ren) in common.
 - My spouse is not currently pregnant.
 - I will be able to attend the hearing.
 - My spouse and I agree our marriage will not be contested.
 - My spouse and I are not seeking alimony (spousal support).

2. DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE WITH CHILD(REN) (12.901) – packet includes petition, indigence application, UCCJEA affidavit, parenting plan, notice of SSN, marital settlement agreement, financial affidavit, certificate of compliance, cover sheet, notice of related cases, summons, process service memo
 - My wife is currently pregnant.
 - My spouse and I have minor child(ren) in common.
 - I want to be the primary residential parent of our minor child(ren).
 - My spouse and I want to share parental obligations.
 - My spouse and I agreed on a specific amount for child or spousal support.
 - My spouse is pregnant by another individual.

3. DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE WITH PROPERTY (12.901) – packet includes petition, indigence application, notice of SSN, marital settlement agreement, financial affidavit, certificate of compliance, cover sheet, notice of related cases, summons, process service memo)
 - My spouse and I own a home, car, land, pet(s), financial debts jointly.
 - I want my spouse to be ordered to pay me proceeds from the sale of our home.
 - I want to remain in the marital home.
 - My spouse and I have agreed to sell our marital assets.
 - My spouse and I purchased stock together.
 - I cosigned for a loan for my spouse to pay off his/her tax liabilities.

4. DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE WITHOUT CHILD(REN) OR PROPERTY (12.901) – packet includes petition, indigence application, notice of SSN, financial affidavit, certificate of compliance, cover sheet, notice of related cases, summons, process service memo
 - My spouse and I do not own any property jointly.
 - My spouse and I both owned home(s), car(s), boat(s), pet(s) and/or land prior to our marriage.
 - My spouse and I have agreed to resolve all of our assets and/or liabilities prior to filing for divorce.

5. TEMPORARY CUSTODY BY EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBER (12.970) – packet includes petition, indigence application, waiver of service & consent, UCCJEA affidavit, notice of related cases, cover sheet, affidavit of military service, summons, process service memo
- My sister/brother passed away and I desire to seek custody of my niece(s)/nephew(s).
 - I have obtained parental consents from both parents to seek custody of their child(ren).
 - DCF told me to file for custody in order to enroll child in school.
 - I tried to enroll my niece(s)/nephew(s) in school and was told I need custody.
 - My sister/brother is currently incarcerated and I want custody of his/her minor child(ren).
 - My brother/sister in active military duty and I want child support.
 - I need to get health/dental insurance for my niece(s)/nephew(s) and I do not have custody.
6. MODIFICATION OF CIRCUIT COURT ORDERED CHILD SUPPORT (12.905) – packet includes petition, indigence application, UCCJEA affidavit, parenting plan, financial affidavit, cover sheet certificate of compliance
- I lost my job and I am unable to pay my court ordered child support.
 - I now have permanent custody of my child(ren).
 - I am not working and currently incarcerated.
 - I am disabled and not able to pay my court ordered child support.
 - I have a court order, and the other party and I have agreed to change terms of the existing order.
7. MODIFICATION OF SHARED PARENTING/TIME SHARING SCHEDULE (12.905) – packet includes petition, indigence application, marital settlement agreement, financial affidavit, cover sheet, certificate of compliance
- I went to jail and gave temporary custody to my parents.
 - I want to change the terms of the current shared parenting/time sharing schedule.
 - My child(ren) desire to live with their father/mother.
 - My child(ren) reside with their grandparents and I want to become the primary residential parent.
8. UNCONTESTED ANSWER FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE WITH PROPERTY AND/OR MINOR CHILD(REN) (12.903) – packet includes answer, indigence application, UCCJEA affidavit, marital settlement agreements, financial affidavit, certificate of compliance
- I was served by a private process server and/or deputy sheriff.
 - I agree with everything in the paperwork.
 - I wrote a letter requesting a court date to grant the divorce.
9. CONTESTED ANSWER FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE WITH PROPERTY AND/OR MINOR CHILD(REN) (12.903) – packet includes answer, indigence application, UCCJEA affidavit, marital settlement agreements, financial affidavit, certificate of compliance
- I disagree with the paperwork and want to know my legal rights regarding property and/or minor child(ren) issues.
 - I will not be able to attend the final hearing.
 - I would like spousal support (alimony).

10. ANSWER TO PETITION AND COUNTERPETITION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE WITH DEPENDENT OR MINOR CHILD(REN) (12.903) – *packet includes answer, indigence application, UCCJEA affidavit, marital settlement agreement, financial affidavit, certificate of compliance, summons, process service memo*
 - I need to respond to a petition for dissolution of marriage with minor or dependent children.
 - I will ask the court for something that is not contained in the petition.

11. PATERNITY AND FOR OTHER RELATED RELIEF (12.983) – *packet includes petition, indigence application, UCCJEA affidavit, parenting plan, notice of SSN, financial affidavit, certificate of compliance, cover sheet, notice of related cases, summons, process service memo*
 - I want custody of our minor child(ren).
 - I want to visit my minor child(ren).
 - I am not sure if I'm the father of our minor child(ren).
 - I was told I needed to amend the father's name on my child(ren) birth certificate.
 - The mother or father of the child(ren) are incarcerated and relatives have the child(ren).
 - I was ordered to pay administrative child support (through DOR) and would like to modify the amount.
 - My driver's license will be suspended and my child support is administrative.
 - I am not the father but have been ordered to pay child support.

12. ANSWER TO PETITION FOR PATERNITY AND OTHER RELATED RELIEF (12.983(b)) – *packet includes answer, UCCJEA affidavit, notice of SSN, financial affidavit, certificate of compliance, child support guidelines*
 - I need to respond to a petition for paternity and other related relief

13. ANSWER AND COUNTERPETITION TO PETITION FOR PATERNITY AND OTHER RELATED RELIEF (12.983(c)) – *packet includes answer and counterclaim, UCCJEA affidavit, notice of SSN, financial affidavit, certificate of compliance, child support guidelines, parenting plan*
 - I need to respond to a petition for paternity and other related relief.
 - I will ask the court for something that is not contained in the petition.

14. MINOR, ADULT, OR FAMILY NAME CHANGE (12.982) – *packet includes petitions, indigence application, cover sheet, notice of related cases, summons, process service memo, name change requirements*
 - I am 17 years old and want to change my name.
 - My last name on my driver's license is different from my social security card.
 - I would like the last name to be changed because I have adopted my spouse's child(ren).

15. EMANCIPATION - *packet includes petition, indigence application, cover sheet, notice of related cases, summons, process service memo*
 - My son/daughter will not listen to anything I tell him/her. I want him/her out of my house and would like for him/her to be responsible for him/herself.
 - I am 16 years old and want to live as an adult and my parents said it's ok.

16. EMERGENCY MOTION FOR CHILD PICK-UP ORDER (12.941)– *packet includes motion, indigence application, cover sheet, notice of related cases*
- To be used in an emergency by a person who
 - has a pre-existing legal right to physical possession of a minor child,
 - has court order awarding legal custody of or timesharing with the child(ren), or
 - is the birth mother of one or more children born out of wedlock
 - No court order has addressed any other person's parental rights.