

DIVORCE INFO SHEET

The separation of a married couple for at least one year is the leading ground for divorce applications in Canada. Since the parties need only establish that they have been separated for one year – the parties don't have to attribute blame to the other - these applications are referred to as **no-fault divorces**.

If a no-fault divorce application is consented-to or undefended by the other party, it is considered an **uncontested divorce** application. Because these application do not require the parties (or their lawyers) to appear in Court - uncontested no-fault divorce applications are the most cost-effective avenue to divorce.

Central City Law Corp handles only uncontested no-fault divorce applications. We prepare and file all the materials required for your divorce – most of them by the next business day. We ensure your application is correct and complete and your divorce is granted without unexpected delay. Clients only have to provide a government-issued marriage certificate (or acceptable equivalent) and arrange to have a friend or family member serve their spouse with the divorce application. You can save money using a divorce-kit – but a good lawyer can save you time, stress and relieve you of the worry that maybe you are paying too much or that you or your children are receiving too little.

For most couples, a **Separation Agreement** is the first step towards an uncontested divorce. A signed and binding Separation Agreement will confirm that all spousal support, child support, child custody and access, property and pension division issues have been settled between the parties and that there is an agreed process for transferring or selling the home or other assets.

A **Separation Agreement** usually makes each party responsible for their own debts and may be required by a lender before a mortgage loan or refinancing is approved. A Separation Agreement helps establishes your debt service ratio by determining your spousal and child support expectations (or obligations) and your share of the liabilities. A Separation Agreement also provides tax benefits to payers of spousal support and creates a friction-free, livable compromise for all parties - especially the children.

Our legal fees for a Divorce Application or any Family Law Agreement (a **Separation, Cohabitation or Prenuptial Agreement**) are offered at a package price (below) which includes 3 hours of lawyer's time plus taxes and disbursements – only court fees (for divorce applications only) and non-standard services (such as skip tracing, process service, or substitutional service) are extra. Clients **may pay in two equal installments**. Legal time in excess of 3 hours is charged at \$300 per hour.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Legal Fees</u>	<u>Disb</u>	<u>HST</u>	<u>Total</u>
Separation Agreement	\$740.00	\$52.86	\$ 95.14	\$ 888.00
Uncontested Divorce (*\$290 court filing costs extra)	\$740.00	\$52.86	\$ 95.14	\$ 888.00*
Prenuptial Agreement	\$740.00	\$52.86	\$ 95.14	\$ 888.00
Cohabitation Agreement	\$740.00	\$52.86	\$ 95.14	\$ 888.00
ILA or Consultation under 30 minutes	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 168.00

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DIVORCE QUESTIONNAIRE

Client is Husband Wife Date of Interview: _____ Lawyer: _____

Date and Place of Marriage: _____

Date of Separation: _____

Do you have a Separation Agreement: No Yes, copy is attached

Do you have a Marriage Certificate: No Yes, copy is attached

Prior to Marriage Husband was: Unmarried Divorced Widower

Husband's Name on Marriage Certificate: _____

Husband's Name at Birth: _____

Husband's Date and Place of Birth: _____

Husband's Address: _____

_____ Postal Code: _____ Tel: _____

Husband was BC Resident since: _____ Husband's Ann. Income: \$ _____

Prior to Marriage Wife was: Unmarried Divorced Widower

Wife's Name on Marriage Certificate: _____

Wife's Name at Birth: _____

Wife's Date and Place of Birth: _____

Wife's Address: _____

_____ Postal Code: _____ Tel: _____

Wife was BC Resident since: _____ Wife's Ann. Income: \$ _____

Are there children of the marriage who: are under the age of 19, have special needs or still in school?

No Yes, details as follows (attach list if insufficient room)

• Child #1 Name: _____

who: is under 19 years and born on _____ has Special Needs is in School

• Child #2 Name: _____

who: is under 19 years and born on _____ has Special Needs is in School

• Child #3 Name: _____

who: is under 19 years and born on _____ has Special Needs is in School

• Child #4 Name: _____

who: is under 19 years and born on _____ has Special Needs is in School

Special Requirements: Marriage Certificate Divorce Certificate Process Server Sub-Service

Child Custody/Access Order No Yes: _____

Child Support No Yes: _____

Spousal Support No Yes: _____

Personal Property Claim No Yes: _____

Real Estate Claim No Yes: _____

Pension Claim No Yes: _____

Certificate of Pending Litigation: No Yes: _____

Other: _____