
CHECKLIST: DOCUMENTS TO HAVE READY WITH YOUR DIVORCE ATTORNEY

The checklists below, can give you an idea of what documents you'll need to gather as well as issues to discuss with your divorce attorney.

DOCUMENTS TO HAVE READY

- Individual and Business Income Tax Returns for the Past Three to Five Years (Federal, State, and Local)
- Proof of Your Current Income
- Proof of Your 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
- 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
- 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

The legal issues involved in a divorce are numerous and complex, which is why it can be daunting to go through a divorce without legal representation.