

DIVORCE DOCUMENTS NEEDED AT TIME OF FILING

AN UNCONTESTED DIVORCE IN HAWKINS COUNTY CHANCERY COURT

For an **UNCONTESTED** divorce (meaning both parties are in agreement), the following documents will be needed:

- Complaint for Divorce (The person filing must sign in presence of Notary.)
- Marital Dissolution Agreement (Both parties must sign in presence of Notary.)
- Final Decree of Divorce (Bring with you to hearing and it will be signed by Chancellor if accepted. Both Husband and Wife should sign the Final Decree but only the person filing the divorce must appear in court.)

If children under the age of 18 are involved, the following **additional** documents will be required:

- Permanent Parenting Plan which includes a Child Support Worksheet (Both parties must sign documents in presence of a Notary.)
- Parenting Class Certificate for both parties. We will provide a list of approved classes. **NO ONLINE CLASSES UNLESS FROM PROVIDER ON THE APPROVED LIST. A DIVORCE WILL NOT BE SET FOR HEARING UNTIL PARTIES HAVE COMPLETED PARENTING CLASSES.**

Divorce and Parenting Plan forms can be downloaded from the internet at www.tncourts.gov. Click on Forms & Publications; click on Court Forms; click on Divorce Forms; click on Parenting Plan Forms (if needed). If you do not have access to a computer, computers are available at the library at no charge.

Child Support Worksheets can be downloaded from www.tn.gov. Click on Child Support Calculator and follow the instructions. You may be able to find a website that will calculate the worksheet for you.

****NOTE**** -- There is a 60-day waiting period from date filed if no children are involved and a 90-day waiting period with children.

FILING FEES FOR DIVORCE:

With Children \$299.50

Without Children \$224.50

*Additional \$42.00 is due if person has to be served by a Sheriff's Department.

THESE FORMS MUST BE 100% COMPLETELY FILLED OUT IN ORDER TO FILE. THIS OFFICE IS NOT ALLOWED TO PROVIDE LEGAL ADVICE OR ADVISE HOW TO COMPLETE THE FORMS. IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR THIS OFFICE TO ASSIST YOU WITH THIS LEGAL ACTION.

OTHER SOURCES FOR LEGAL INFORMATION: TN ALLIANCE FOR LEGAL SERVICES (WWW.TALS.ORG) AND WWW.HELP4TN.ORG