

Documents to Gather for Your Divorce

Below, please find an example of the documentation that I will need from you, regardless of whether this case proceeds to trial or is ultimately resolved by agreement.

- Written agreements between parties
- Federal and state individual tax returns and worksheets for the last five years
- Gift and inheritance tax returns
- Current pay stubs for you and your spouse
- Business tax returns
- Patents and copyrights
- Information on pensions, 401k and IRAs (account statements, copies of plans) for you and your spouse
- Information on investments (account statements, stocks, bonds, limited partnership agreements, reports on investments)
- Real estate records, including deeds, leases, tax assessments, mortgage documents and agreements
- Net worth statements or loan applications
- Resumes for each party showing a clear employment history
- Personal and business bank statements and canceled checks for the last six (6) months
- Proof of safety deposit box and location of box and contents
- Life, homeowners and automobile insurance records, including policies, applications and invoices
- Charge account records on any accounts for the last six (6) months (i.e. Quicken or other paper trail)

- Family budgets including documentation to support the budget
- Proof of education expenses (for parties or children), including tuition, room, board, books, contracts, and loans
- Proof of day care expenses and/or contract signed with the care provider
- Proof of health insurance coverage, including copy of health insurance card, copy of plan and list of providers, including mental health and the cost of a family plan and a single plan
- Record of household expenses for utilities, maintenance, improvements, repairs, household help, and any other related costs
- List of any personal property
- Appraisals of real estate, business interests, and personal property
- Wills
- Record of who has powers of attorney