

Parties *Without* Attorneys

JUDGE ANNE B. DARRING

306th DISTRICT COURT

Guidelines for Uncontested Cases

If you **do not** have an Attorney, and you are in court for a Divorce, Modification, Suit Affecting Parent-Child Relationship or Name Change you must follow these guidelines:

1. Uncontested cases for Parties Without Attorneys are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8:00 and 8:30 a.m.
2. Bring your fully completed FINAL ORDERS to court with you on those days. The court DOES NOT PROVIDE ORDERS.
3. Pleadings, Final Orders, Waivers and other related divorce and family court documents can be found at TexasLawHelp.Org. Click the attached link).
4. Opposing party *must* be personally served or a Waiver must be signed and on file for a minimum of 10 days.
5. All blanks must Final Orders must be fully filled out or crossed out.
6. Opposing party must have *signed* the Final Orders or you must give them at least *10 days notice* of the specific day you will come to court to finalize.
7. All orders with minor children must include orders regarding custody, visitation and child support contained as part of the Divorce, Modification or Suit Affecting Parent Child Relationship Decree.
8. You must bring a [Report to the Bureau of Vital Statistics](#) fully filled out. (Click the attached link).
9. All orders with minor children must have a [Wage Withholding Order](#) fully filled out with the child support amounts and case information. (Click the attached link).
10. You will testify from the one of the following scripts: [Divorce Script WITHOUT Children](#) and [Divorce Script WITH Children](#) (Click the attached link).

VERY IMPORTANT: THE JUDGE NOR ANY OF THE COURT WORKERS CAN GIVE LEGAL ADVICE. WE WILL HELP YOU WITH YOUR NOTICE REQUIREMENTS, FINAL FORMS AND TESTIMONY.

WE WILL NOT ASSIST YOU IN A CONTESTED CASE. YOU ARE ADVISED TO TALK TO AN ATTORNEY IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.