If you do not have access to the internet and printer or would rather purchase the forms, they can be obtained at the Pinellas Clerk of Court Self Help Center located at:

St. Petersburg Judicial Building, 545 First Avenue N., 1st Floor, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701. Phone: (727) 582-7941; **OR**,

The Clearwater Law Library, Old Clearwater Courthouse, 324 S. Fort Harrison Avenue, Clearwater, Florida 33756. Phone: (727) 464-5150; **OR**,

29582 U.S. 19 N., Clearwater, Florida 33761. Phone: (727) 464-5150

Note: The packet of forms that can be purchased at the Self Help Center also includes additional information and forms unavailable on <a href="https://www.flcourts.org">www.flcourts.org</a>. This information includes commonly used legal definitions, a Case Progression Checklist for Divorce Cases, and locally approved individual forms.

Some of the information contained in this packet of forms can be obtained online free of charge at <a href="www.jud6.org">www.jud6.org</a> under the "Self Representation" tab, which is located on the left of the homepage.

The material in this pamphlet represents general legal information.

It is always best to consult with an attorney about your legal rights and responsibilities in your particular case. Further, this pamphlet is based on Florida law and does not apply to any other state.

#### Need to talk to an attorney?

Call the Community Law Program

(727) 582- 7480

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#### **Divorce Forms Class**

A volunteer attorney assisted by a paralegal and law students will teach the class on completing the packet of Florida Supreme Court-approved Family Law forms for divorce. The volunteer attorney will not go over all the forms that may be needed for your particular divorce case based on your unique marital circumstances during the class. The family law forms must be brought to your appointment.

#### **Divorce**

Go to <a href="http://www.flcourts.org">http://www.flcourts.org</a>. You will find the "Self-Help" section on the front page. Under "Self-Help" select the link "<a href="Family Law Forms.">Family Law Forms.</a>" Scroll down the page to view the different forms available.

\*Note: Select the proper divorce form that applies to your particular divorce as the forms differ depending on marital circumstances, such as children, assets, etc.

\*\* Items may not apply to each type of divorce.

## Types of Divorce in the State of Florida include:

- Petition for Simplified Dissolution of Marriage [12.901(a)]
- Petition for Dissolution of Marriage with Dependent or Minor Child(ren) [12.901(b)(1)]

- Petition for Dissolution of Marriage with Property but No Dependent or Minor Child(ren) [12.901(b)(2)]
- Petition for Dissolution of Marriage with No Dependent or Minor Child(ren) or Property[12.901(b)(3)]

# Also download the following forms (these forms will be reviewed during Divorce Forms):

- Notice of Related Cases [12.900(h)]
- Family Law Financial Affidavit (Short Form) [12.902(b)]
- Notice of Social Security Number [12.902(j)]
- Summons Personal Service on an Individual [12.910(a)]
- Process Service Memorandum [12.910(b)]
- Nonmilitary Affidavit [12.912(b)]
- Cover Sheet for Family Court Cases [12.928]

## If there are minor children born into the marriage:

 Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Affidavit (UCCJEA) [12.902(d)]

If you are unable to serve your spouse because you are unable to locate him or her, you may need to constrictively serve your spouse by using these forms:

- Notice of Action for Dissolution of Marriage. [12.913(a)]
- Affidavit of Diligent Search and Inquiry. [12.913(b)]

Note: The forms for constructive service will not be reviewed during the Divorce Forms Class, but you may ask the volunteer attorney about this process one-on-one. You also may need to come back to a different clinic for additional advice.

## The following forms may be needed during your divorce case:

- Motion for Referral to General Master, Order of Referral to General Master, Notice of Hearing Before General Master. [12.920(a)(b)(c)]
- Motion for Default, Default Order [12.922 (a)(b)]
- Notice of Hearing (General) [12.923]
- Marital Settlement Agreement [12.902(f)(1)]
- Motion To/For only available at <u>www.jud6.org</u>. To find it, click on the "Self Representation" tab located on the left of the homepage. Then scroll to the bottom to find the "Locally Approved Individual Forms" section and select the link "Motion Form."

Note: This list is not a complete list

### Parenting Plan requirement for divorce cases with minor children:

A parenting plan is required to be filed in all divorce cases involving children. Depending on your particular situation, the form needed to fulfill this requirement is one of the following:

- Parenting Plan [12.995(a)]; **OR**
- Supervised/Safety-Focused Parenting Plan [12.995(b)]; **OR**
- Relocation/Long Distance Parenting Plan [12.995(c)]

This process is complex If you need help completing the parenting plan, please reach out to one Clerk's Self Help Centers for an appointment with an attorney.