All About Kansas Divorce



We have many resources to help you file for a divorce in Kansas, whether or not you have children.

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This page provides help to anyone who thinks they may have to file a divorce in Kansas.

- It is helpful both for self-represented persons and those who obtain the assistance of an attorney.
- The guide provides definitions of legal terms, answers many frequently asked questions and prepares a Kansas litigant for the issues that may come up during a divorce.

What to Gather in Preparation for Divorce

This page provides an excerpt from the Divorce 101 page.

It lists documents and information that would be useful to gather before starting a divorce action in Kansas.

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Divorce 101 video

The **Divorce 101** video is a crash course in do-it-yourself divorce (with no children) -- giving all the details of paperwork, timeline, helpful resources and explaining the legal terms. About 10 minutes long.

Here is a document called **Divorce 101** that tells you what you have to do to do a do-it-yourself divorce.

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Getting Ready For Court video

The video, **Getting Ready for Court**, tells you how you can get ready for that court experience, whether it's for a divorce or a traffic ticket, this explains how you should prepare for the big day. About 5 minutes long.

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Going To Court video

The video, **Going to Court,** helps you understand what goes on when you're IN the courtroom, from how to talk to the judge to what to bring with you to help your case.

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Read our <u>Tips for filing legal documents for persons</u> <u>doing it themselves</u>

If you have attempted to give notice of your divorce action to the other party, but were not successful, you can try again to get that necessary step taken, by using these forms:

Notice to Other Party -- Trying Again to Serve

Health Insurance After Divorce

If you are worried about losing your health insurance after a divorce, please read this information: **The Affordable Care Act and Divorce: Useful Information**

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Free Legal Forms

When using these online forms, please sign in and create an account. You should do this because you need to save your answers often while completing the forms.

Kansas Legal Services provides forms as a service to low income Kansans. Forms are easy to use, interactive forms. They will ask you easy-to-answer questions and will auto-fill documents you need for filing or responding to legal actions in Kansas district courts based on your answers.

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> When completing the divorce online forms, make sure all your dates are filled in and valid. Your document may not work without the complete dates.

• If you can't get your document, go back and check that the dates are in a valid format and try again.

Family Law/Divorce Free Legal Forms

- Divorce (no minor children) Kansas Legal Services
- Divorce (with minor children) Kansas Legal Services
- Child Support Worksheet
 - Use this Kansas Legal Services interactive form when the combined income of both parents is <u>less</u> than \$50,000.
- **<u>Child Support Worksheet</u>** from childsupporttools.com, a fee is involved.
 - Use this resource where Mom and Dad incomes is <u>more</u> than \$50,000 combined, for multiple family adjustments (stepchildren, etc.), for Interstate Pay Differential Adjustments (where parents live in different states); for Automatic Income Tax adjustment calculation.
- **<u>Request to Waive Filing Fee</u>** Kansas Legal Services
- Parenting Plan

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: It is always advisable to talk to a lawyer before proceeding in a court case on your own. **Please read our important warning.**

To learn about serving the opposing party in a legal action, go to **Notice to Other Party -- Trying Again to Serve**

• If you would like to have a lawyer review the papers that you create in the interactive interview, **read about it here**.

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Live Chat is right here

If you have questions about how to complete the forms when using the interactive interview, you can use our **LIVE CHAT** option. Just click on the **Live Chat** button in the righthand corner of this page. Please note: **Live Chat** does not provide legal advice.

Live Chat is generally available Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. You can leave a message if **Live Chat** is not available. You will receive a reply by email within two business days.

What you need to use these forms

WORD PROCESSING PROGRAM:

- The interactive court forms download for printing in Rich Text Format (.rtf), which can be opened in any word processing program, such as Microsoft Word.
- Make sure your computer chooses a word processing program to download the documents or you may get errors or "gibberish."

NOTE TO USERS OF CHROME and FIREFOX:

- The backspace button does not work to delete or modify answers in these interactive interviews.
- You must use arrows or your mouse to highlight the information you need to change. Then use the delete key to remove letters, before you can change information. This problem is not experienced in Explorer.

For more help with these free legal forms, visit our **Frequently Asked Questions**.

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What if I want to talk to a lawyer about my situation or discuss these forms with a lawyer?

Kansas Legal Services has a program that assists self-represented litigants (persons who represent themselves) before they go to court.

- Through this program, a self-represented litigant who uses these Kansas Legal Services forms can meet with an attorney to have the forms reviewed, discuss the court process and what they may encounter as a self-represented litigant.
- Our goal is to empower you to represent yourself successfully.
- This program is only available for the areas of law where KLS provides interactive forms and only for users of the KLS forms.
- The cost of this program can range from free to \$80 an hour, depending on income.

- We will meet with persons who are just filing their case, filing a reply or who have prepared a final decree of divorce.
- You must be able to meet with a Kansas Legal Services or volunteer lawyer during office hours. If you are unable to travel to a KLS office, we may be able to review documents and discuss them over the phone.
- If you are interested, you should indicate that during the preparation of divorce forms through the interactive interview.
 - During the interactive interview, you will receive instructions about how to apply for this service.

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For more information and resources about **SELF-REPRESENTATION**:

Please visit the Kansas Judicial Council for free legal forms.

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