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FORENSIC SERVICES

(ALL require a court order)

Reunification Therapy

Family Integration Therapy

Court-Qualified Parenting Coordinator

FL Supreme Court Certified Family Mediator

Expert Witness Services

Professional Consultation

Collaborative Divorce Coach / Neutral Facilitator

Specialized Treatment & Consultation with Court-Involved Children & Families

Court-ordered Mental Health Evaluations / Psychological Evaluations

Competency Evaluations (Juvenile & Adults)

CLINICAL SERVICES

(no court order required)

Individual Therapy

Family Therapy

Psychological Testing

Giftedness Evaluations

Co-Parenting Divorce Consultant

*Accepting New Clients for All Services Listed Above.



I aim to provide Resources, Information, Support, and Education to court-involved families, judges, and professionals working within the family court system.

The following is a compilation of co-parenting resources I've collected and want to share to make it easier for co-parents to find information.

YOU HAVE PERMISSION TO SHARE ANY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS PDF DOCUMENT WITH YOUR CLIENTS OR ANYONE ELSE YOU BELIEVE THIS INFORMATION WOULD HELP.

Upcoming Topics Include:

- Reunification Therapy: A Guide for Parents and Professionals
- What a Therapist Would Want in a Court Order for Therapy/Reunification Therapy
- Parenting Plans 101 and Beyond: Two Parts
- Creating and Implementing a Child-Focused Parenting Plan
- You Have Your Parenting Plan: Now, How Do You Implement It
- How to P.R.O.T.E.C.T. Your Child(ren) in a High-Conflict Co-parenting Relationship
- Resolving Conflict Without Destroying Your Children



CO-PARENTING WEBSITES & BLOGS

Alisa Jaffe Holleron (Study & learn new ways of helping parents after divorce)

Beanstak Mums (Single mother blog)

Bonus Families (Co-parenting advice for divorced parents & stepfamilies)

<u>BlendedFamilyFrappe.com</u> (Resources for Step-Parents)

BlendedandBlack.com (Blended family issues)

Child & Family (Blog) (Blogs written by top researchers)

<u>Confessions of Parenting.com</u> (Resources for creating positive memories)

Co-Parenting Into The Future

Co-Parenting Solutions, LLC (Blog)

<u>CoParenter</u>

Custody Junction

DailyStrength- Breakups & Divorce Support Group

Divorce & Children (Blog) (Support to raise happy, confident, & secure kids)

<u>DivorceHelpForDads.com</u> (Tools and Resources)



DivorceHQ.com

DivorceInfo.com

<u>Divorce Magazine</u> (Divorcemag.com)

Divorced Moms

Divorcenet.com

Fatherly (Parenting advice for Fathers)

<u>GreatDad.com</u> (Resources for divorced fathers)

HelpGuide.org (Children & Divorce)

<u>Institutedfa.com</u> (Surviving Financially After Divorce)

KidsFirst (Making children's voices heard)

Mediate.com (Everything Mediation)

OneMom'sBattle (Custody Resources)

Reddit: r/Divorce

<u>SeeMammaGo.com</u> (Parenting tips & self-care)

<u>SmartParentAdvice.com</u> (Parenting advice)

<u>StepFamilies.info</u> (National Stepfamily Resource Center)



<u>SurviveDivorce.com</u> (Support through every stage of divorce)

Woman's Divorce.com (Good site to find resources)

Talking Parents: Parenting Resources

CO-PARENTING APPS

AI Family Law (AI assistant for legal)

AppClose (Totally free co-parenting apps)

Amicable Coparenting

coParenter (Team of professionals who provide conflict resolution in real-time)

CoParenta

CoPilotCoparenting

Cozi

Custody Connection

Custody Junction

Custody X Change (useful feature is its custody plan template)

DComply Coparenting Expenses

Divorce Ledger



Divvito Messenger
<u>FamCal</u>
Fayr (geo-location)
Fuzie
Kidganizer
Goparent - Positive parenting app
Kiido (Communication, Collaboration, and Coordination)
<u>MyFam</u>
One Family Vault
Onward Coparenting (Best App for tracking co-parent expenses)
Our Day
Our Family Wizard (Best App for co-parent communication, custody calendar)
Peaceful Contact
Peaceful CoParenting Messenger
Share(d) (Shared calendar & Organizer)
Smart Coparent
2Houses (Allows you to set up different families on the same account)
Talking Parents



TimeTree

Truece

Unbroken Homes

WeParent

SOCIAL NETWORKING WEBSITES & APPS

Coparent Chat

Coparent Connect

Co-ParentMatch App

Coparent Support Network

Divorced Chat

Divorcemag.com

Divorcee Match

<u>Divorced Dadvocate</u> (Helping Dads Navigate Divorce)

Divorced Moms.com

Divorce Source (mobile notes collator & diary)

My Mob

National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse



SELF-CARE WEBSITE & APPS

<u>AislesofLife.com</u> (Multitude of topics for self-improvement)

Better Beyond Divorce (Health & Fitness)

BetterMe (Fight Stress, Sleep Better)

<u>Calm</u> (Sleep, Meditation, Relaxation)

CBT Therapy (Anxiety & Depression Self Care)

Circles (Emotional Support)

Clarity Divorce Coaching

Daylio Journal (Mood Tracker, Health, Fitness)

Day One Journal (Gratitude, Travel, Daily Notes)

Divorced Chat

Divorcee Match

DivorcePlus (Divorce educational resources)

Divorce Source (Mobile notes collator & diary)

FitMind (Mental Fitness)

<u>Habit Tracker</u> (Goal Tracker & Daily Planner)

HeadSpace (Sleep & Meditation)



<u>Insight Timer</u> (Meditation for Sleep & Anxiety)

JeFit (Weight Lifting Routine Tracker)

Meetup (Social Events & Groups/Meet New People & Make Friends)

Mend (Self Care For Breakups)

Oak (Meditation & Breathing)

<u>Talkspace</u> (Therapy and Support)

Ten Percent Happier (Calm, Relax, Insights & Sleep)

Think Up (Daily Affirmation App)

Waking Up (Meditation & Wisdom)



CO-PARENTING BOOKS

Parenting After Divorce: Resolving Conflicts and Meeting Children's Needs

Phillip Stahl

Co-Parenting with a Toxic EX: What to Do When Your Ex-Spouse Tries to Turn

the Kids Against You Amy J. Baker

Mom's House, Dad's House Isolina Ricci

Co-Parenting Tool Kit: The Essential Supplement to Mom's House, Dad's House Isolina Ricci

Co-Parenting After Divorce: A GPS for Healthy Kids

Debra Carter

Child-Centered Co-Parenting Tracey Duff

The Co-Parent's Handbook: Raising Well-Adjusted, Resilient and Resourceful

Kids in a Two-Home Family from Little Ones to Young Adults

Karen Bonnell

Mindful Co-Parenting: A Child-Friendly Path Through Divorce

Jeremy Gaies

James Morris

Co-Parenting vs Parallel Parenting: Divorce the Toxic EX While Dealing

with Kid's Visitation Schedule and Parenting Plans

Stephen Anthony

Quick Guide to Co-Parenting After Divorce: Three Steps to Your Children's

Healthy Adjustment Lisa Gabardi

The Co-Parenting Survival Guide: Letting Go of Conflict after a Divorce

Elizabeth Thayer

Co-Parenting 101: Helping Your Kids Thrive in Two Households After Divorce Deesha Philyau

Keeping it Classy: Co-Parenting Strategies for Unstoppable Moms and Devotes Dads Monyetta Shaw

Families Apart: Ten Keys to Successful Co-Parenting

Melinda Blau

Self-Centered Co-Parenting Kathleen Bird



Successful Co-Parenting with a Toxic EX: A Guided Journal to Support and

Encourage You and Your Children Susan Buniva

Healthy Children of Divorce in 10 Simple Steps

Shannon Paulsen

Joint Custody with a Jerk: Raising a Child with an Uncooperative EX Judy Corcoran

Parenting Apart: How Separated and Divorced Parents Can Raise Happy and

Secure Kids Christina McGhee

Cooperative Communication: Tips to Improve Coparenting

Jennifer Shupert

Nesting After Divorce: Co-Parenting in the Family Home

Beth Behrendt

How to Co-parent During the Holidays: Tips for Coparenting Success

& Reducing Stress Diane Windsor

Productive Co-Parenting Responses: The Coparents Communication

Pocket Guide Kevin Scott

How I'm Trying Not to Heal from Punch My Coparenting Journal Machenzie Lamont

CoParent with Heart: A Mindset Reset that will Improve your Parenting Relationship J.C. Riojas

CoParenting: A Conceptual & Clinical Examination of Family Systems

James McHale

Between Two Homes: A Co-Parenting Workbook Bradley Craig

Co-Parenting: The Conscious Parent's Guide

Jenna Flowers

The CoParent's Communication Handbook: Answers to Your Top 20 Questions Susan Boyan

Divorce Proof Your Children: They Should not be Pawns in the Battle of Divorce Amanda Smith

Don't Divorce Your Children & Their Parents Talk About Divorce Jennifer Lewis

Divorced Fathers: Children's Needs and Parental Responsibilities Edward Kruk

Divorcing with KidsRichard Sherman

On Divorce: An Open Family Book for Parents and Children Together Sara Stein



The Parent's Guide to Birdnesting: A Child-Centered Solution to Co-Parenting During Separation and Divorce	Ann Buscho
Divorce with Children: Recovering from Divorce and Putting Your Life Back on Track. Dealing with Divorce, Your Ex, Children and Everything in Between	Jamie Tyler
The 7 Fatal Mistakes Divorced & Separated Parents Make: Strategies for Raising Healthy Children of Divorce and Conflict	Shannon Rios
Co-Parenting Through Separation and Divorce: Putting Your Children First	David Hill
How to Talk to Your Children about Divorce: Understanding What Your Children May Think, Feel, and Need	Jill Soderman
When Parents Part: How Mothers and Fathers can Help Their Children Deal with Separation and Divorce	Penelope Leach
In Their Shoes: Helping Parents Better Understand and Connect with Children of Divorce	Lauren Reitsema
Beyond Marital Conflict: Divorce Recovery for You and Your Children	Bob Livingston
Divorce Decisions: Practical Ways to Protect Yourself and Your Wallet	Marjorie Just
For the Sake of the Children: The Oversimplified Undersized Parenting Guide for Divorced Moms and Dads	Roseanne Farano
The Rights of Children in Separation and Divorce: The Essential Handbook for Parents	Robert Prall
Respectful Parents, Respectful Kids	Sura Hart
Don't Divorce Us: Kid's Advice to Divorcing Parents	Rita Flanagan

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and Raising Kind, Confident Kids



BLENDED FAMILIES

Co-Parenting Advice from Stepmoms: Tips for Stepmotherhood Tiffany Payette

Building Love Together in Blended Families Gary Chapman

Step Parenting: 50 One-Minute Dos & Don'ts for Stepdads & Stepmoms Randall Hicks

Blended Family: Workbook 영 Journal Erainna Wiinnett

Stepparenting: Becoming a Stepparent Mathew Masimo

Parents are Forever: A Step-by-Step Guide to Becoming Sucessful Co-parents After Divorce Shirley Thomas

Blissfully Blended Bull Shit: The Uncomfortable Truth of Blending Families Rebecca Eckler

Stepfamily Marriage: Keys to Success in the Blended Family Ron Deal

Beyond the Brady Bunch: Hope & Help for Blended Families Ray Alsdorf

Step Family Handbook: From Dating to Getting Serious to Forming a Blended Family Karen Bonnell

Blended Families Tamika Murray

The Luckiest Child: Becoming a Blended Family

Zoie Seay

Step-Parent Survival Guide Lilla Henderson

The Courage to be a Stepmom Sue Thoele

Managing the Blended Family: Steps to Create a Stronger, Healthier, Stepfamily

and Succeed at Step Parenting Kathie Thomson

My Bonus Mom: *Taking the Step Out of Stepmom*Tami Butcher

Bea is for Blended

Lindsey Stoddard

The Step-parent's Survival Guide: Positive advice for achieving a successful

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Blend: The Secrets to Co-Parenting and Creating a Balanced Family

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Wisdom on Stepparenting: How to Succeed Where Others Fail

Diana Wisdom

How to be the Best Step Mom: A Step-By-Step Guide to Help You Cope with

Stepparenting and Becoming the Best At It

Rosalie Harlan

Step Parenting: A Parent's Guide to Create a Happy Blended Family

Awakening Books

Wonderful Ways to Be A Stepparent Judy Ford

The Smart Step-Family: Seven Steps to a Healthy Family Ron Deal

Blended Families: Steps To Help You Become a Strong Family And Succeed In

Step-Parenting Lilli Morgan

The Step Parents' Parachute: The Four Cornerstones to Good Step-Parenting Flora McEvedy

Winning the Heart of Your Stepchild

Bob Barnes

Step Families James Bray

Stepmotherhood Cherie Burns

The Blended Family Sourcebook David Chedekel

Smart Step Family Ron Deal

Wonderful Ways to be a Stepparent Judy Ford

Making the Best of Second Best

Kathleen Fox

Building your Step-family Susan Gamache

The Stepparent's Survival Guide Susan Zieghan

7 Steps to Bonding with your Stepchild Susan Zieghan

Remarried with Children Barbara LeBey



Yours, Mine, and Hours John Penton

Step-living for Teens Joel Block

The Step-Tween Survival Guide

Lisa Cohn

All Families are Special Norma Simon

HELP! A Girls Guide to Divorce and Stepfamilies

Nancy Holyoke

If I Have a Wicked Stepmother

Melissa Kantor

I Have a New Family Now Robin Monroe

Remarried with Children Barbara LeBey

Building Your Step Family Susan Gamache

BOOKS ON DIVORCE

The Unexpected Legacy of Divorce: The 25-Year Longitudinal Study

Judith Wallerstein

War or Peace: Avoid the Destruction of Divorce Court

Joryn Jenkins

Champions of Collaborative Divorce: Changing the Way the World Gets Divorced Joryn Jenkins

The Good Divorce: Keeping Your Family Together When Your Marriage Comes Apart Constance Ahrons

The Divorce and Divorce Therapy Handbook

Martin Textor

The Divorce Handbook James Friedman

Nolo's Essential Guide to Divorce Emily Doskow

Divorce: Common Mistakes & How to Protect Your Money, Children, & Future

Divorce and Children, Parenting and Divorce & Family Problems

Daniel Owens

Marriage, Divorce, & Children in Ancient Rome

Beryl Rawson



The Difficult Divorce: Therapy for Children & Families Marla Isaacs

Second Chances: Men, Women, and Children a Decade After Divorce

Judith Wallerstein

The Collaborative Divorce Advantage: Divorce Consciously to Protect Your Children

원 Avoid Financial 원 Emotional Bankruptcy Kevin Chroman

Collaborative Divorce: Helping Families Without Going to Court Forrest Mosten

Choices: When Divorce Happens to You and Your Children Lisa Suggs

Divorce Hangover Anne Walther

Navigating Divorce: Advice for Moms and Their Children

Ella Brookfield

The Consequences of Divorce: Economic and Custodial Impact on Children and Adults Craig Everett

Solomon's Children: Exploding the Myths of Divorce Glynnis Walker

The High-Conflict Custody Battle

Michael Boone

The New Rules of Divorce: Twelve Secrets to Protecting Your Wealth, Health,

and Happiness Jacqueline Newman

The Designed Divorce: How to Preserve Your Wealth and Peace of Mind in Divorce

Jen Lawrence

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Building a Parenting Agreement: That Works:

Mimi Zemmelman

The Parenting Plan Workbook Karen Bonnell

Precious Time: The Psychology of Effective Parenting with Parenting Plans Galen Cole

Parenting Plans for Families After Divorce

John McWilliams

Parenting Plans: Meeting the Challenges with Facts and Analysis

Daniel Hynan



DIVORCE & CHILDREN

The Masked Murder: A Story of Divorce and How it Affects Your Children William Mitchell

How to Tell Children Their Parents are Divorcing

Tiziana Capocaccia

Divorce and It's Effects on Children

Lisa Pennington

Divorce: Causes and Effects on Children

Tatiana Philips

Children of Divorce: Developmental and Clinical Issues

Craig Everett

When Children Grieve: For Adults to Help Children Deal with Death, Divorce,

Pet Loss, Moving & Other Losses John James

Between Two Worlds: The Inner Lives of Children of Divorce

Elizabeth Marquardt

Putting Children First: Proven Parenting Strategies for Helping Children

Thrive Through Divorce JoAnne Carroll

The Parents Book About Divorce Richard Gardner

Helping Kids Cope With Divorce: The Sandcastles Way

Gary Neuman

The Divorced Parent's Challenge: Eight Lessons to Teach Children Love

and Forgiveness Cheryl Grabenstein

Broken Families, Splintered Children: Poetic Perspectives from Surviving the

Devastation of Divorce, the roads to recovery and the celebration of renewal Donna Clementoni

The Boys And Girls Book About Divorce Richard A. Gardner

Divorce Book for Parents: Helping Your Children Cope with Divorce and

Its Aftermath Vicki Lansky

Children & Divorce: Parenting Tips to Help Your Family Cope and Adjust

ShaRon Rea



Helping Children Cope With Divorce: Revised Edition Edward Teyber

Helping Your Children Through Your Divorce: A Complete Guide to Helping

Your Children Deal with Divorce Florence Bienenfield

The D-Word---

Adolescents After Divorce Christy Buchanan

Growing Up Divorced Linda Francke

Caught in the Middle: Protecting the Children of High-Conflict Divorce

C.B. Garrity

In the Name of the Child

J.R. Johnson

The Essential Guide to Children & Separation: Surviving Divorce & Family

Break Up Jennifer Croly

Effects of Divorce on Children Waln Brown

The Divorce Talk-How to Tell the Kids: A Parent's Guide to Breaking the News

Without Breaking Their Hearts Vikki Stark

Children Coping with Your Divorce? What Parents Can Do to Help

Renee Ettline

The Rights of Children in Separation And Divorce: The Essential Handbook

For Parents

Robert Prall

Helping Your Kids Survive Your Divorce

Thomas Whiteman

Children and Divorce: 101 Craig Hawley

Divorce, Family Structure and the Academic Success of Children William Jeynes

Growing Up with Divorce: Helping Your Child Avoid Immediate & Later

Emotional Problems Neil Kalter

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Communication at Each Stage of Divorce Jean McBride

Helping Children Survive Divorce: What to Expect; How To Help Archibald Hart

Making Divorce Easier On Your Child: 50 Effective Ways To Help

Children Adjust Nicholas Long

Filicide-Suicide: The Killing of Children in the Context of Separation, Divorce and

Custody Disputes Kieran O'Hagan

How to Talk so Little Kids Will Listen: A Survival Guide to Life with

Children Ages 2-7 – Joanna Faber

The Whole-Brain Child: 12 Revolutionary Strategies to Nurture Your Child's

Developing Mind Daniel J. Siegel

What Children Need to Know When Parents Get Divorced

William Coleman

The Great Divorce Study Guide For Teens

Alan Vermilye

Divorce and Teens: When a Family Splits Apart

Elizabeth Price

Divorce and Loss: Helping Adults and Children Mourn When a Marriage Comes Apart Joshua Ehrlich

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Divorce and Dreams: Deciphering the Hopes and Intentions of Children

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Helping Children of Divorce: A Handbook for Parents and Teachers

Susan Diamond

Divorcing with Children: Expert Answers to Tough Questions from Parents and Children Jessica Lippman

The Divorce Revolution: The Unexpected Social and Economic Consequences

for Women and Children in America

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Two Homes (3-7) Claire Masurel

Dinosaur Divorce (4-8)

Laurene Brown

My Family's Changing (4-7)

Pat Thomas

The Invisible String (4-8)

Patrice Karst

What Makes a Family?

Hannah Bruner

It's Not Your Fault, KoKo Bear (3-7) Vicki Lansky

The Rabbit Listened Cori Doerfeld

The Ring Bearer Blended Families Floyd Cooper

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A.S. Chung

Was It the Chocolate Pudding? (5-6) *A Story for Little Kids About Divorce* Sandra Levins

Fred Stays with Me (4-8)

Nancy Coffeit

When My Parents Forgot to Be Friends – (4-7)

Jennifer Moore

Here and There (3-8)

Tamara Smith

Standing on My Own Two Feet: A Child's Affirmation of Love in the Midst

of Divorce (3-5)

Tamara Schmitz

Why Don't We All Live Together Anymore? (3-6)

Emma Waddington

Living With Mom and Living With Dad (3-7)

Melanie Walsh

My Family's Changing (4-7)

Pat Thomas

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Mom and Dad Glue (5-8)

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Two Old Potatoes and Me (5-8) John Coy

The Invisible String (4-8)

Patrice Karst

A Day with Dad (4-8)

Bo Holmberg

Mama and Daddy Bear's Divorce (3-6)

Cornelia Spellman

Cory Helps Kids Cope With Divorce: Playful Therapeutic Activities for

Young Children (4-8)

Liana Lowenstein

My Parents Still Love Me: Even Though They're Getting Divorced (4-8)

Lois Nightingale

Why a Daughter Needs a Dad (3-7)

Gregory Lang

Why Do Families Change?: Our First Talk About Separation and Divorce (3-7)

Jillian Roberts

CHILDREN'S BOOKS ABOUT DIVORCE (Ages 8-12)

Divorce is a Grown Up Problem: A Book About Divorce for Young Children

and Their Parents

Janet Sinberg

I Don't Want to Talk About It (5 and up)

Jeanie Ransom

What Can I Do? A Book for Children of Divorce (8-12)

Danielle Lowry

Divorce Is Not the End of the World (8-12) Zoe Stern

Now What Do I Do?: A Guide to Help Teenagers with their Parents'

Separation or Divorce Lynn Kapusinski

A Kid's Book About Divorce (5-9)

Ashley Simo

My Mom and Dad Don't Live Together Anymore (4-12)

Judith Rubin

How it Feels When Parents Divorce – (8-up)

Alfred Knopf

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What in the World Do You Do When Your Parents Divorce?

A Survival Guide for Kids (7-12) Kent Winchester

Emily's Blue Period Cathleen Daly

A Family Is A Family Is A Family Sara O'Leary

Amber Brown is Green With Envy (6-10) Paula Danzinger

HELP!: A Girl's Guide to Divorce and Stepfamilies

Nancy Holyoke

Weekends With Max and His Dad: Road Trip With Max and His Mom

Linda Urban

The Accidental Adventures of India McAllister (8-11)

Charlotte Agell

I, Cosmo: Love Can Teach an Old Dog New Tricks (8-13)

Carlie Sorosiak

The Great Treehouse War (8-12)

Lisa Graff

Dear Mr. Henshaw: Letters About His Parent's Divorce (8-12)

Beverly Clearly

Kids are Non Divorceable: A Workbook for Divorced Parents & Their Children (6-9) Sara Bonkowski

Dear Sweet Pea: Co-parenting (8-12)

Julie Murphy

The Lost Boy's Gift (8-11)

Kimberly Willis

One-Third Nerd- (8-12) Gennifer Choldenko

How Tia Lola Came to (Visit) Stay (8-12)

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Danielle Lemry

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Divorce, Parental Alienation, and Loyalty Conflicts (5-12)

Amy Baker

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Now What Do I Do?: A Guide to Help Teenagers with Their Parents' Separation

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Lynn Cassella

Surviving Divorce: Teens Talk About What Hurts and What Helps (12-15)

Trudi Trueit

Teens are Non Divorceable: A Workbook for Divorced Parents & Their Children (12-18) Sara Bonkowski

BOOKS ON CONFLICT-RESOLUTION

Getting to Yes: Negotiating Agreement Without Giving In

Roger Fisher

Bargaining for Advantage: Negotiation Strategies for Reasonable People Richard Shell

Boundaries Face To Face: How to Have Thay Difficult Conversation

You've Been Avoiding Henry Cloud

High-Conflict People in Legal Disputes: Second Edition

Bill Eddy

BIFF: Quick Responses to High-Conflict People, Their Personal Attacks, Hostile Email

and Social Media Meltdowns- Second Edition

Bill Eddy

BIFF: For Coparent Communication-Your Guide to Difficult Coparent Texts, Emails

and Social Media Posts

Bill Eddy



It's All Your Fault at Work: Managing Narcissists and Other High Conflict People Bill Eddy

Calming Upset People With EAR: How Statements Showing Empathy, Attention

and Respect Can Quickly Defuse a Conflict
Bill Eddy

How to Disagree Without Being Disagreeable

Suzette Elgin

The High-Conflict Co-Parenting Survival Guide: Reclaim Your Life One Week

At A Time Megan Hunter

So What's Your Proposal Bill Eddy

Defusing the High-Conflict Divorce: A Treatment Guide for Working with

Angry Couples Bernard Gaulier

High-Conflict Divorce for Women: Your Guide to Coping Skills and Legal Strategies

for All Stages of Divorce Debra Doak

Impasse of Divorce: The Dynamics and Resolution of Family Conflict

Janet Johnston

Not on Speaking Terms

Michael Bruun

Difficult Conversations: How to Discuss What Matters Most

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FAMILY COURT GLOSSARY OF TERMS:

Acknowledgment of Paternity - A voluntary written statement made by the mother and biological father in which they admit that the man is the father of the child. A properly executed statement has the same legal effect as a court order.

Adjournment In Contemplation of Dismissal (ACD) - Adjournment of a proceeding, for a specified period of time, usually six months. If the conditions of ACD are met, then the petition may be dismissed in the furtherance of justice.

Adjournment- The rescheduling of a proceeding or a court case until a specified future date.

Adoption- Legal proceeding whereby a person or persons take a child or other person as their own child and thereby acquires the rights and incurs the responsibilities of a parent.

Affiant - Person who prepares and signs an affidavit.

Affidavit - Written statement made under oath.

Allocution - When the court advises a party of all of his or her rights, charges, as well as possible outcomes of a matter.

Amicus Curiae ("Friend of the Court") - A person who is not a party to an action but is permitted by the court to present his/her views.

Appeal - A proceeding to have a case examined by an appropriate higher court to see if a lower court's decision was made correctly according to law. Appeals to Family Court proceedings are heard in Appellate Division of the Supreme Court.

Appearance - The participation in the proceedings by a party in an action, either in person, by electronic means or through an attorney.



Appellant - The party who takes an appeal to a higher court.

Appellee - The party against whom an appeal is taken.

Archives - A secure facility where old records and files are stored for safekeeping.

Arrears- In child/spousal support proceedings monies owed as a result of the respondent's failure to make payments in accordance with a court order.

ASFA - <u>Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997</u> - Federal Law that established national goals and requirements for children in the child welfare system safety, permanency and well-being.

Assignment Judge - The Judge that oversees courtroom in which new cases first appear on a court calendar for service, allocution, adjournments, assignment of counsel and/or issuance of temporary orders.

Assignment Part - The courtroom in which new cases first appear on a court calendar for service, allocution, adjournments, assignment of counsel and/or issuance of temporary orders.

Attorney for Child - Lawyer assigned by the court to act as a child's attorney.

Attorney of Record - Attorney whose name appears in the permanent records or files of a case.

Adversarial System - The system of trial practice in the United States and some other countries in which each of the opposing (or "adversary") parties has the opportunity to present and establish opposing positions before the court. Once the parties have presented their case, a judge or jury will a judgment determine based on the evidence provided.



Alimony - Alimony is the money the court orders you to pay to a spouse or ex-spouse after you separate or divorce. Alimony is calculated differently from state to state and country to country.

Alternative Dispute Resolution - A method of settling a dispute outside the courtroom. These methods include mediation and arbitration. Most forms of ADR are not binding and involve referral of the case to a neutral party such as an arbitrator or mediator.

Authority – The right or power to make decisions, give orders, or to control something or someone.

Bench Conference - A meeting between the attorneys and the judge at the judge's bench to discuss an issue in the case or an aspect of the proceedings. It may or may not be part of the official record.

Best Interest of the Child - In the context of a custody case, the 'best interest of the child' is the standard that courts use to decide who will take care of the child. Some of the factors courts look at are the age of the child, the health of the child, the emotional ties between the parents and the child, the ability of the parents to care for the child, and the child's ties to school, home, and the community.

Blended Family - A family consisting of a couple and their children from this and all previous relationships. An example of a blended family may include a woman with two children from a previous marriage who marries a man with three children from a previous marriage.

Custody Dispute - A dispute, by parents, over the custody of their children. The more common or better known method of resolving custody disputes is known as litigation, which involves turning the decisions relating to custody over to the court for resolution. The problem is that litigation is typically stressful, expensive, and contentious.



Certified Copy- Copy of a document signed and certified as a true copy by the officer, usually the Clerk of Court, having custody of the original or by other authorized person.

Child Custody Exchange - An exchange of the physical custody of a child at the commencement or conclusion of visitation with the child or at other times pursuant to an order for child custody or visitation. In the family law context, custody exchanges fall under the umbrella of "visitation rights" based on the premise that both parents are entitled to spend time with their child(ren), regardless of certain other child custody problems, such as non-payment of child support and other matters. An example of a child custody exchange would be one parent who has had a child for a few days, taking the child to see the other parent so that parent can take care of the child until the other parent is scheduled to do so.

Child Support - Court-ordered payments, typically made by a noncustodial divorced parent, to support one's minor child or children. Payment awards are made by each state's family court system. Most states require that they be based on the best interests of the child. In addition to determining support in contentious divorce cases, courts review stipulations (agreements) between parents and can overrule an agreement that does not adequately provide for children. Child support

is used to help the custodial parent pay the living expenses associated with bringing up the child. Those expenses can include: food; shelter; clothing; extracurricular activities; as well as many others.

Collaborative Law - process in which a couple hires specially-trained lawyers and other professionals who work to help them resolve their conflict out of court.

Contempt of Court - An act or omission tending to obstruct or interfere with the orderly administration of justice or to impair the dignity of the Court or respect for its authority.



Cooperative Parenting - An innovative program that puts children first while creating promising solutions that focus on education and the prevention of parental conflict in situations of family separation. Cooperative parenting outlines some of the key tasks for parents: to protect their children from adult conflict; to enable their children to have positive relationships with both parents; and to provide children with nurturing, security and stability.

CoParent - It refers to a parenting situation where adults share the duties of parenting a child, typically when the child does not live with either parent all of the time. A co parent can be almost anyone who shares parenting responsibilities with someone else.

Co-Parenting - A parenting situation where adults share the duties of parenting a child. Coparenting may include a variety of configurations, including two mothers, two fathers, a parent with an adult sibling or grandparent, or a parent and another adult relative. The Coparenting relationship differs from an intimate relationship between adults in that it focuses solely on the child. Its original meaning was mostly related to united families.

Co-Parenting App - A software-based app that helps parents co-parent children. The co-parenting app can be computer or phone-based and have a host of functionalities including, but not limited to, shared diaries, expense records, children's profiles, and advice links. Co-parenting apps, because of their real-time application, makes it possible for parents to communicate more effectively that before.

Custodial Parent - The parent who is given physical or legal custody of a child by court order. Refers to a parent who has been awarded sole physical custody of a child, or with whom the child primarily lives. The custodial parent is primarily responsible for the day-to-day care of the child. Commonly, parents are assigned joint physical and legal custody, which means they legally share



parental duties, but it is necessary for the court to specifically state, in any custody and visitation order, where the child will spend most of their time.

Custody Battle - A legal battle to decide who will get custody of a child.

Custody Calendar (Time-sharing Calendar) - Outlines the scheduled standard visitation times, designates where the children will be during holidays, school breaks, and summer vacation, and allows parents to make any changes to the schedule as need arises.

Ex Parte - An application to the court made without notice to other parties; an application of only one party.

Guardian - In the New York City Family Court, person to whom letters of guardianship have been issued for minor person (under the age of 18 years).

Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) - Person appointed by a court to represent a minor or incompetent for purpose of litigation; person does not act as an attorney.

Hearing – A proceeding before the court at which an issue of fact or law is heard, evidence presented, and a decision made.

High-Conflict Co-Parenting - Coparenting that involves ongoing, unremitting hostility between adults, with drawn-out or frequent court actions. It also refers to an intense level of tension and stress that exists between divorced or separated parents. High conflict parenting is commonplace in divorced or separated parenting relationships. The high level of conflict interferes in joint custody arrangements, and reduces the chances of successful parenting.

Jurisdiction— The legal authority to hear legal cases and make judgments; the geographical region of authority to enforce justice.



Legally Binding – An agreement that is written and enforceable by law.

Mediation - a voluntary and confidential process where you and the other parent work with a neutral mediator to create your own parenting plan.

Motion - Application to a court for an order, ruling or decision.

Motion Granted - An order granting a specific relief requested in a motion.

Motion To Dismiss - An application to the court requesting an the dismissal of a petition.

Non-custodial Parent - The parent who does not live with a child.

Parallel Parenting - Parallel Parenting is a form of joint child custody order in which authority transfers from parent to parent as the children are exchanged. Each parent is in charge of the decisions regarding the children when the children are in their care. A parallel parenting regime is a mechanism which can be employed where there is high parental conflict, and where a sole custody order is not in the child's best interests.

Parent Coordination – is a child-focused dispute resolution process conducted by a licensed mental health or family law professions, or a certified/qualified mediator with practical professional experience with high conflict family cases. Often viewed as an adjunct to the court's efforts to: enforce its orders, limit the judicial resources consumed by an individual family by reducing conflict between parents, and when necessary for adjudication, obtain efficient access to information bearing on the children's best interest.



Parent Coordinator (PC) – seeks to protect and sustain safe, healthy, and meaningful parent-child relationships and assist co-parents engaged in high conflict co-parenting to implement their parenting plan by facilitating the resolution of their disputes in a timely manner; educating coparents about children's needs; and with prior approval of the co-parents or the court, making decisions within the scope of the court order or appointment contract.

A (PC) is most typically appointed by the Court after a Legal Decision-Making or Parenting Time order has been entered, to assist the parents in resolving parenting issues. The recommendations made by the PC are binding as long as those recommendations do not exceed the scope of the PC's authority, as set forth below.

The PC's scope of authority is determined by the Court's order appointing the PC. A PC's scope includes the potential of: A. Addressing disputed issues, reducing misunderstandings, clarifying priorities, exploring compromise, developing methods of collaboration in parenting, and ensuring compliance with legal decision-making authority and parenting time orders. B. Making decisions regarding implementation, clarification, and minor adjustments to parenting time orders. C. Making decisions regarding parenting challenges not specified in the parenting plan that are disputed. Examples include disagreements about pick-up and drop off locations, dates and times, holiday scheduling, discipline, health issues, personal care issues, school and extra-curricular activities, choice of schools, and managing problematic behaviors. D. Interviewing and requesting documentation from anyone who has relevant information necessary to resolve a matter currently before a PC. And, The agreement whether on the record or in writing should be clear to set forth all of the requirements under the Rule or it should not be accepted. E. Recommending the Court order the parents or child to participate in ancillary services, to be provided by the Court or third party, including but not limited to, physical or psychological examination or assessment, counseling, and alcohol or drug monitoring, and testing.



PCs cannot make decisions that will: 1. Affect child support, spousal maintenance, or the allocation or property or debt; 2. Change legal decision-making authority; or 3. Substantially change parenting time. Confidentiality: The PC process is not confidential.

Parental Alienation - Parental alienation is the process, and the result, of psychological manipulation of a child into showing unwarranted fear, disrespect or hostility towards a parent and/or other family members. It is a distinctive form of psychological abuse, towards both the child and the rejected family members, that occurs almost exclusively in association with family separation or divorce, particularly where legal action is involved. It undermines core principles of both the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Most commonly, the primary cause is a parent wishing to exclude another parent from the life of their child, but other family members or friends, as well as professionals involved with the family, may contribute significantly to the process. It often leads to the long-term, or even permanent, estrangement of a child from one parent and other family members and, as a particularly adverse childhood experience, results in significantly increased lifetime risks of both mental and physical illness.

Parenting Plan - A parenting plan is a child custody plan that is negotiated by parents, and which may be included in a marital separation agreement or final decree of divorce. Especially when a separation is acrimonious to begin with, specific agreements about who will discharge these responsibilities and when and how they are to be discharged can reduce the need for litigation. Avoiding litigation spares parties not only the financial and emotional costs of litigation but the uncertainty of how favorable or unfavorable a court's after-the-fact decision will be. Moreover, the agreement itself can authorize the employment of dispute-resolution methods, such as arbitration and mediation, that may be less costly than litigation.



Petition - A signed, formal written request to a Family Court, that starts a case and asks for specific assistance from the court.

Petitioner - The person or agency filing the petition.

Respondent - The person who formally answers the allegations stated in a petition which has been filed in court.

Restraining Order - It can be in the form or of a temporary or permanent restraining order that protects someone (person, company, entity, etc.) from violence, assault, stalking, etc by keeping the offending party a certain distance from the victim(s) and barring communication. In terms of a temporary restraining order (shortened to TRO) for family law cases, the court keeps conditions as they are (ex. not taking a child out of the county or not selling marital property) until there can be a hearing in which both parties are present.

Reunification Therapy – refers to family therapy that is court-ordered and aims to reunite or reestablish a relationship, usually between a parent and a child. It emphasizes attachment, promotes healthy communication, and works to heal injuries in the relationship. There are a range of reasons why a family would attend reunification therapy. Some common reasons include when a parent and child are estranged or separated because of a divisive divorce or custody fights, allegations of abuse, parental alienation, or the return to the home of a child who'd been removed.



Self-Represented Litigant - An individual who comes to Family Court to file a petition (or other application) and who has no attorney. (Also referred to as a "pro se" litigant.)

Separation Agreement - An oral or written agreement entered into by a still married couple who are preparing for separation or divorce. This agreement outlines all the issues that they would need to resolve before the divorce is final, they may agree on all terms or there may be some that need to be addressed or mediated on.

Status Conference – A status conference is a court hearing held during a family law case before the final trial. It provides an opportunity for the judge to review the progress of the case, identify issues, and encourage settlement agreements between parties.

Stipulated Agreement - Stipulation is a legal term used to refer to an agreement made between opposing parties during the course of legal proceedings. Parties may stipulate to certain conditions or facts for a variety of reasons, including to avoid delays, and to eliminate the need to use valuable time proving facts that are not in dispute. Any legal stipulation made is filed with the court, becoming legally binding, and part of the official court record.

Subpoena - A direction of the court, issued by an attorney or the court, commanding a person to appear in court.

Supervision / **Therapeutic Supervision** - In certain cases, supervision and/or therapeutic supervision of exchanges, parenting time, or third-party visitation is necessary. Supervision of visitation and exchanges allows a parent who presents a risk to the children an opportunity to continue to have parent-child contact while ensuring the children are in a safe environment.



Supervised exchanges: Supervised exchanges may be ordered when the parents have a history of conflict and there is risk of this conflict occurring in front of the children during an exchange. Exchanges of the children should not involve discussions between the parties, particularly when parents have difficulty regulating their emotions and communicating effectively with one another. When the parents have difficulty communicating, the presence of a third party at the exchange can help reduce the chances of conflict in front of the children. Furthermore, when domestic violence has been an issue in the family, a supervised exchange can provide safety for the children and the adult victim. A third party supervising the exchange should be a neutral and non-triggering party to both parents. If both parents do not agree to the third party or if one parent has negative feelings toward that third party, the choice of supervisor can also add to the conflict at the exchanges.

Supervised parenting time: Parenting time supervision provides a safe space for the children to visit with the supervised parent and keeps the children safe from abuse, witnessing domestic violence, or being exposed to alcohol or substance abuse situations. A Court may order supervised parenting time as a part of a graduated parenting plan, for example when a parent has had limited contact and rekindling a relationship is necessary. It may also be used as a means for maintaining a relationship when a parent has been determined to be potentially unsafe for the children, such as when substance abuse, mental health concerns, or domestic violence is present. It can also be used as a method to gain additional data during an evaluative process when concerns are raised about a parent.

Evaluators and therapists may use supervised parenting time over the course of a period of time in order to gain data to confirm or reject certain concerns. Supervised parenting time may occur in various settings, including at a Court-approved facility or other agreed-upon facility, in the home, or in a public location. The supervision may be conducted by a Court-approved supervisor, a family member, or friend.



Therapeutic Supervision: This form of supervision applies a therapeutic component to parenting time. This process is used when a parent may need to strengthen parenting skills or is in need of therapeutic change in other areas. The therapeutic supervision can provide a safe environment for the parent and the child to express themselves, to learn additional communication skills and, if needed, to process a history of unpleasant events. Therapeutic supervision can also occur in a graduated process as a way to gain skills while creating a safe environment for children when a variety of concerns may be present, including abuse, neglect, domestic violence, or substance abuse. The cost for all of the above supervised services is borne by the parties in some way, as allocated by the Court. In Juvenile proceedings, the Court most often has resources to assist in supervision services.



Family Court Acronyms:

ADR Alternative Dispute Resolution

AFI Affidavit of Financial Information

BIA Best Interests Attorney

CAA Court-Appointed Advisor

CFE Comprehensive Family Evaluation (formerly, Custody Evaluation, also

known as Comprehensive Family Assessment)

CS Child Support

CSW Child Support Worksheets

CSO Child Support Order

DCF Department of Child & Families (formerly, Child Protective Services)

ERC Early Resolution Conference

EVH Evidentiary Hearing

FA Focused Assessment (see also LFA)



FPPT Family Preservation

GAL Guardian Ad Litem

IAC Inactive Calendar

J & O Judgment and Order

LDM Legal Decision-Making (formerly, Legal Custody)

LFA Limited Family Assessment (see also FA)

MSA Marriage Settlement Agreements

OPDS Office of Public Defense Services

PC Parent Coordination (Parent Coordinator)

PSA Property Settlement Agreement

PT Parenting Time (formerly, Physical Custody or Visitation)

RMC Resolution Management Conference

SM Spousal Maintenance

STC Status Conference



TI Therapeutic Interventionist or Therapeutic Intervention

TO Temporary Orders

UCCJEA Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act

UIFSA Uniform Interstate Family Support Act