

13 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

BEFORE YOU
HIRE A LAWYER

DIVORCE IS AN EVENT IN YOUR LIFE



How you choose to move through it will define the next chapter of your life.

Many people think that hiring a divorce lawyer will get you better results; that is often not the case. The laws in Canada are reasonably straightforward, so the goal posts for negotiation are not far apart, regardless of what the professionals and your friends are telling you.



Many couples end up in mediation only after spending thousands in legal bills with the hope of "winning." Fighting in divorce is a zero-sum game, and no one wins.



Do your research and do not let your emotions get in the way of sound decision making. You may be at one of the most important forks in the road. The clear road to a new life is in your grasp and there is hope for great new beginnings.



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We care about you and want you to know the following points that will help you **navigate** through this time.

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In Canada, you **do not need a lawyer** to get divorced.

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The legal goal posts for your outcome aren't that far apart, so there is no point in spending money fighting.

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The law is designed to be fair in Canadian jurisdictions and so your settlement is mostly predetermined.

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The courts do not care about who is to blame or bad behavior, and so it is best if both parties recognize there is no sticking it to each other.

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Financial Disclosure is reasonably straight forward, regardless of investments, debt, or businesses. It does not have to be a daunting task.

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If you end up in trial, you may be spending in excess of \$100,000 and over 3 years fighting.

If you use a lawyer and do not have to go to court, the average cost is still over \$15,000 per person.

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Most cases do not go to trial and couples have to settle. People run out of money, time and patience.

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Many couples end up using Mediation or Arbitration to settle their case.

With Fairway, you can start with Mediation and save a lot of money.

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People feel hiring a lawyer will give them control but the opposite is true, as you will be caught up in damaging legal proceedings where you will have very little, if any, control.

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Affidavits are documents filed in the courts to prove you are right and your spouse is wrong.

These claims with regards to money and parenting are in writing, and filed, can never be taken back!

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Perception is not fact and yet most matrimonial cases are fought based on attempting to turn perception into fact.

The Judges will be making decisions based on perceptions presented by lawyers.

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No breakdown of a marriage is one sided.

Both parties have a responsibility. You are not alone in feeling like this is an epic failure. You will be ok, and you can build a great life with a new future. Maybe not the one you planned when you got married but trust us, we've seen thousands of couples who are able to find a new version of a relationship after divorce.

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Confusion and overwhelm are very normal in this process.

It doesn't matter how confident and accomplished you are in other areas of your life; when your relationship comes to an end, there isn't a proven "how to" guide for this part of life. It's normal to feel hopeless at times. You are not alone and there is light at the end of the tunnel.

Join the thousands of people who have chosen to divorce the fair way.

Whatever path you select to navigate this tricky stage of life, Fairway's mission is to help as many families as we can to protect their children and their assets.

With that in mind, here is a **list of things to think about as you select the team** to help you transition through divorce.

- How many cases have they resolved peacefully?
- How do they make money? Is it in their best interest to get you and your ex to resolution as quickly as possible?
- What are they doing to protect your children?
- Are they part of the team of people who believe that parenting after divorce can be creative and help all parties thrive?
- Do they believe both parents should be involved in the children's lives after divorce?
- Do their parenting values align with your's?
- Do they have a flat rate solution that promises resolution?
- Do they have a proven process that helps resolution happen step by step?
- If you do speak to a lawyer, ask them to give you advice as if you were the other spouse, as there are many ways to twist things depending on what side you are on.
- Do they have experience working with your types of cases? If you own a business or have substantial assets you need someone who has experience working with families like yours or has access to a network that has worked with people like you.

At **Fairway Divorce Solutions**, we are committed to helping people divorce in a better way. Just 30 to 60 minutes of your time in person or on a quick phone call **(1-866-755-3247)** and you'll have clarity as to whether Fairway may be right for you. What do you have to lose?



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