

## **INFORMATION FOR FILING A DIVORCE - FANNIN COUNTY**

The District Clerk's Office does not supply forms; we are not attorneys and are legally prohibited from giving any legal advice.

If you intend to represent yourself "Pro Se" (without the assistance of an attorney) you may look for forms at the following website, the District Clerk's Office has a public computer available for use.

[www.texaslawhelp.org](http://www.texaslawhelp.org) Live chat is also available to answer any questions

Legal Aid 888-529-5277

Before you can file for divorce you must have the following:

- Completed "Civil Case Information Sheet".
- Original Petition for Divorce (Original and 2 copies).
- General Order No 2010-1 Regarding Family Law Cases must be attached to all copied of the Original Petition for Divorce. Form can be found at <http://www.co.fannin.tx.us/page/fannin.District.Clerk>
- Completed "Information on Suit Affecting the Family Relationship VS-165".
- Attorney General of Texas Form 1828 "Record of Support". Form can be found at <https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/child-support/get-started/all-child-support-forms>
- Completed Parenting Plan. For can be found at <http://www.co.fannin.tx.us/page/fannin.District.Clerk>
- Standing Order Regarding Family Stabilization Course Requirement to successful complete seminar within sixty (60) days of filing the Petition for Divorce. Information can be found at <http://www.co.fannin.tx.us/page/fannin.District.Clerk>
- "Notice of Hearing" to request a hearing before the court.
- Required filing fee or Qualifying Affidavit of Inability to Pay Court Cost.
- Full contact information with phone, mailing address and email address.

Bring all the necessary paperwork/forms to the District Clerk's Office to be filed. At that time you will be assigned a cause number and court. The District Clerk's phone number is 903-583-7459; our hours are Monday –Friday 8:00am to 4:30 pm. We are located at 200 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Bonham, TX 75418

Only after service to the other party or the required answer or waiver has been filed per the instructions found at Texas Law Help can you request a hearing date.

You must have the filled out Final Decree of Divorce form to present to the court at you final hearing.

Thank you,

Nancy Young, District Clerk, Fannin County