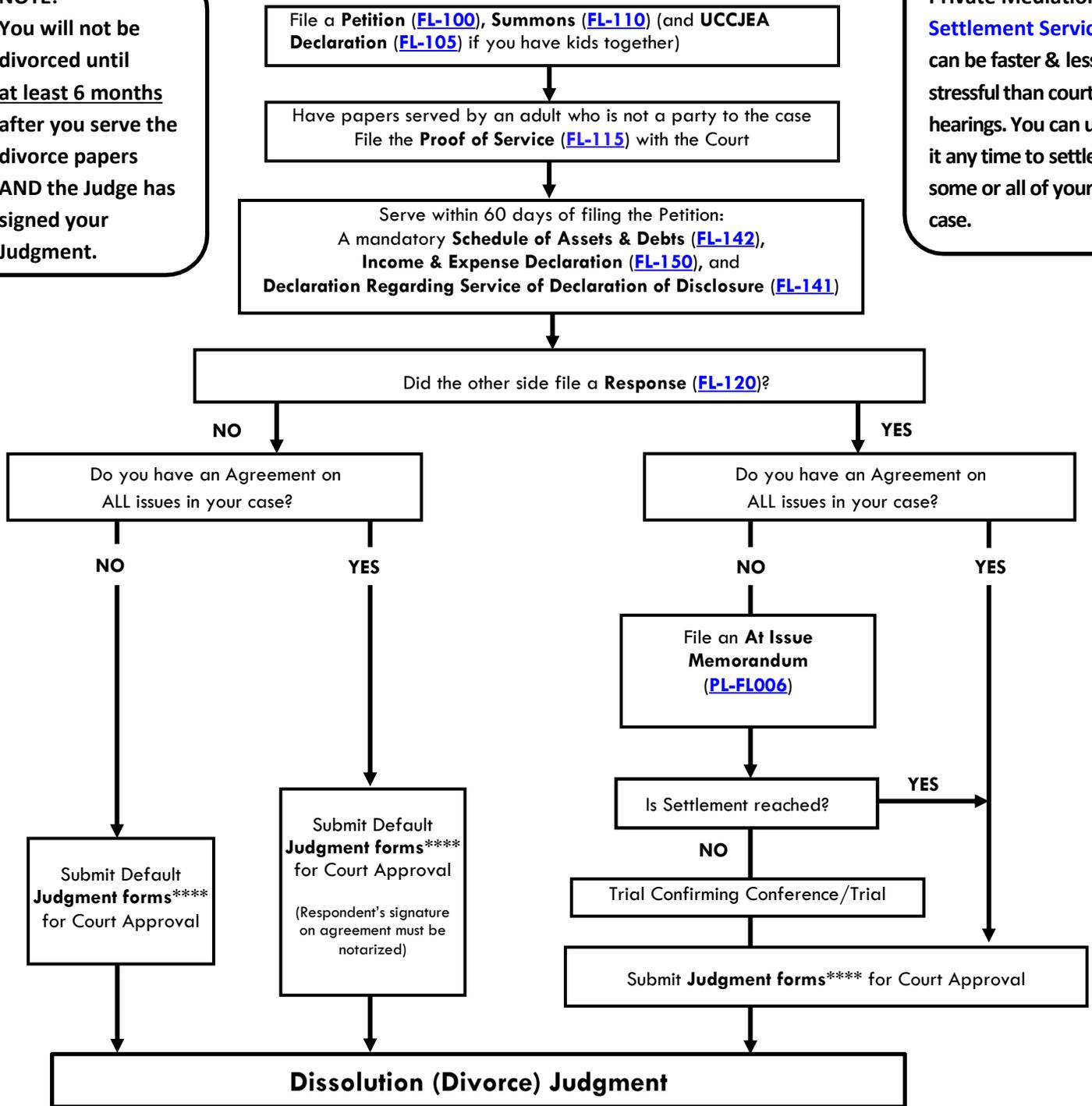


# DIVORCE\* CASE FLOW CHART\*\*

(Dissolution, Legal Separation and Nullity\*\*\*)

**NOTE:**  
You will not be divorced until at least 6 months after you serve the divorce papers AND the Judge has signed your Judgment.

Private Mediation or Settlement Services can be faster & less stressful than court hearings. You can use it any time to settle some or all of your case.



\* Divorce here also refers to dissolution of domestic partnership  
 \*\* This flow chart does not include the process and procedure when parties are requesting interim or temporary orders pending a final resolution of your case.  
 \*\*\* Nullities require a Court hearing and Judge's approval before a Judgment is granted.  
 \*\*\*\* Judgment forms are a set of forms to finish your case that are customized for your family. For a list of needed forms, see the Judgment Checklist (FL-182).  
 Placer County Superior Court provides free Family Law Workshops and Form Packets for the divorce process. Please see additional information at [www.placer.courts.ca.gov](http://www.placer.courts.ca.gov).  
 This chart shows the basic outline of a divorce case. Please consult with an attorney for legal advice concerning your individual case. If you do not have an attorney, procedural assistance is available at the Self-Help Center at the court, however, the Self-Help Center cannot provide legal advice.