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FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES

Now that you and your spouse/partner have a divorce/legal separation/nullity case open, you will need to fill out the following forms to disclose your financial information to the other side. The Petitioner (the person who started the case) must do disclosures. The Respondent (the other side) must do disclosures only if a written settlement agreement is going to be submitted to the court, or he/she has filed a Response with the court. You can find these forms at www.courts.ca.gov/forms.

Declaration of Disclosure (FL-140)

Schedule of Assets and Debts (FL-142) or Property Declaration (FL-160)

Income and Expense Declaration (FL-150)

Declaration Regarding Service of Declaration of Disclosure (FL-141)

STEP 1: Fill Out the Forms

You need to disclose ALL information about your income, assets, and debts. You need to do this EVEN IF you and your spouse have already divided everything or if there is nothing to be divided. Identify anything you, your spouse, or both of you have. For categories that do not apply to you, write "None." Do NOT leave anything blank. This is very important, because you CANNOT GET A DIVORCE, legal separation or nullity without doing your Financial Disclosures. You and your spouse will both be in a better position to make agreements on your property division if you both know what is "on the table."

If you are using the Property Declaration instead of Schedule of Assets and Debts, you will need to do two different Property Declaration forms: one for community property and one for separate property. On the form for Community Property (property acquired during the marriage), you must show how you are proposing the property be divided. On the form for Separate Property (property acquired before the marriage, after you separated or a gift or inheritance), you must show which spouse the property belongs to. Using the Property Declaration form instead of the Schedule of Assets and Debts is best if your spouse is not doing a written agreement with you.

To learn how property is treated in a divorce, you should watch the DVD "*How to Do Your own Divorce Without Shooting Yourself in the Foot.*" You can buy this at the Courthouse for \$10 or rent it for free at all Placer County Libraries. Watching this DVD will help you fill out these forms and help you complete this step. If you or your spouse has a PENSION, you will need to obtain a "QDRO", which may require an attorney. See the Legal Help Center for more information.

STEP 2: Provide ALL the Forms to your Spouse

You can do this yourself in person or by mail (you do not have to have a friend or other person do this). Remember to keep a copy of the forms for yourself.

STEP 3: File the Last 2 Forms with the Court

Make 2 copies of the Income and Expense Declaration (FL-150) and Declaration Regarding Service of Declaration of Disclosure (FL-141). Bring the original and copies to the court for filing. Get a number ticket for "Family Law" at the kiosk on the 1st floor of the Courthouse.

Please make an appointment with the Legal Help Center if you need assistance with the next steps in completing your court case.