

Our Collaborative Divorce Process

step one:

retain a lawyer specially trained in collaborative law

We will help you to retain divorce lawyers who are specially trained in collaborative law / collaborative divorce. Each of you will then have your own attorney to act as your trusted advisor and advocate.

step two:

enter into a participation agreement

The Participation Agreement is entered into by both the spouses and their attorneys and requires that all work cooperatively and communicate openly to reach a mutually acceptable out-of-court resolution.

Ē

step three:

build a team

Expert specialists are added to the team as necessary. These specialists provide assistance with emotional, financial, or parenting issues. From financial advisors to coaches to child specialists, these specially trained resources help you keep this process more efficient and effective.

-

step four:

gather information

Both sides identify financial and other information needed to make informed decisions.

-

step five:

have meetings

A series of meetings with the attorneys, the couple, and as needed any specialists, are held to resolve all issues, including parenting decisions and division of marital property. During these meetings, everyone strives to remain civil and respectful to one another.

-

step six:

memorialize the agreement and file in court

Once you reach an agreement, your attorneys create legally-binding documents and file them with the courts.