Checklist: What to Expect During Your First Meeting with a Family Law Attorney

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Regardless of whether you've just been served divorce papers, just found out that your spouse is committing adultery, or are just wondering what a divorce might involve because your marriage is not working, you will likely have a lot of questions as well as some anxiety. That is normal. We are here to answer those questions and educate you on the family court process.

Typically, at the first meeting, we like to get a history of your marriage, discuss your children's needs, get a picture of overall financial situation, and find out what your goals are in the first meeting. We can explain to you the issues that will be addressed in your family court case, and we will come up with an initial plan on how to proceed. We will explain how the legal process generally works and also explore various options on how you wish to proceed. This may involve looking at the pros and cons of filing a suit right away versus attempting to schedule a pre-suit mediation/settlement conference to see if issues can be worked out without the cost of litigation. Regardless, we will educate you on your options to see what best serves your needs.

If possible, it is always helpful to bring copies of tax returns, current statements for investments and bank accounts, and other financial records. However, if your spouse controls those documents and you don't have possession of such records, do not worry. We can gain access to them during the discovery process of your case.

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