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Concentrating in Family Law Thinking Of Getting Divorced In Colorado?!?!

“Discover What Your Spouse’s Attorney Wouldn’t Want You To Know!”

If you’ve been thinking about the possibility of filing a divorce, or you are in a divorce right now, you’re probably confused or worried about what steps to take next:

- How can I keep **my share**; or do I just lose everything?
- Isn’t the **Property** just divided 50/50 anyway?
- What is **marital** property; and what is **my share** of it?
- Don’t I get to keep the property I came into the marriage with?
- What is a fair amount for **child support** and **alimony** and how is that decided?
- Am I going to get kicked out of the family home and when?
- I want my children to be with me, but I have to move out now, what should I do?
- What happens to the **children** and me if one of us files for divorce or legal separation right now?
- What if my spouse won’t agree to the divorce?
- How will I know that the lawyer I’ve chosen to represent my case is the right lawyer for me and will know what to do?
- How will I be able to know if I don’t have a competent lawyer?

NOTE: IN COLORADO, ‘CUSTODY’ IS CALLED ‘PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY’ AND ‘VISITATION’ IS ‘PARENTING TIME’. ‘DIVORCE’ IS CALLED ‘DISSOLUTION’. ALIMONY IS CALLED MAINTENANCE.

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If you or someone you care about has any of these concerns, then please keep reading this Special Report. My name is Gary D. Nicholas and I have been helping divorce clients as a family lawyer in Denver and the metropolitan area for twenty-four years. I've focused my practice on the challenge faced by many unhappy couples that have had to turn to divorce. It's unfortunate, but many couples end up in divorce for many reasons. So, I've focused my practice in doing all I can to ease this turbulent time in people's lives. In fact, this process doesn't have to be drawn out and painful if you follow the steps that I'm going to outline for you here in this Special Report.

Unfortunately, I see way too many people misinformed about their legal rights during the separation and divorce process. I've seen honest, hard working, unsuspecting people taken advantage of by not knowing what they could have done to protect themselves. That's why I've taken the time to write this Special Report and offer it **FREE** to anyone who asks for it.

I have heard too many horror stories of people losing everything they've worked so hard to build by not knowing what to do to protect it. In fact, there are key secrets to protecting what's rightfully yours. Every year, I hear of many cases where ex-wives or ex-husbands who were entitled to receive a fair matrimonial settlement for the children and property found out that by not taking the appropriate steps, they lost more than they really should have.

These days **you better get the "right" information before you do anything.**

It's hard enough to make ends meet these days and adding an ugly divorce to the mix can really make matters worse. If you have been contemplating the idea of getting a divorce, there are some facts that your spouse's divorce attorney may **not want you to know.**

Let me share with you some real life examples of people I have helped and give you some critical facts you need to be aware of, to ensure you get what

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you rightfully deserve. To protect our client's confidentiality, actual names are not used.

HOW CAN THIS BE HAPPENING TO ME?

Take for example, James, one of my clients. James is a hard working father of two children, who worked two jobs to keep his family afloat. His wife, Barbara, stayed at home with the children. James would help clean the house when he got home late at night. He would help feed and clothe the children in the morning before work.

One day he got a call from his mother Eleanor. Eleanor told him that Barbara was at her house with both children and wanted to sign the children over to Eleanor's care. Barbara had met someone and wanted to run away, out of state, with this person. James was devastated by all this. In fact, he was completely taken by surprise that his wife would leave so easily. In the following days, James tried to pull himself together and tried to work things out with his wife with no success.

He was confused and didn't know what to do about his home, his children or his finances. He had to care for the children while continuing to work. James mistakenly figured that Colorado was a **community property** state and that all the property would be divided 50/50. He figured he would be stuck with all the debts.

One day Barbara showed up with a lawyer and demanded the children back. She claimed that although James worked hard, she was the greater parent to the children because she had always stayed at home with the children and they had received more nurturing, instruction and care from Mom. James was always away working. Barbara wanted all of the children's property and half of all the rest. She wanted him to sell a motorcycle he had before they were married and for James to handle all the debt.

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James was desperate when he came to our office. He was afraid that he was now going to be asked to pay for the fact that he had worked so hard taking care of the family. We did some checking up on his wife's real skills as a mother and homemaker and discovered the real reasons she had so easily left the children some months before. When all was said and done, James kept his children and his home. We were successful at recovering a "just" divorce for James.

Another client, Leslie, is a 31 year old mother of a small child working as a schoolteacher to help pay for her additional education. Leslie was trying to get ahead by going back to school to get advanced teaching certification. That way she could better provide for her daughter. Leslie had run into some serious issues at home to deal with her husband of 8 years. Her husband had been a successful businessman until the IRS shut him down. It seems he had been doing a number of things with his business that the IRS did not approve of. Besides that he had a history of drinking too much. This problem was not improved by the sudden business reversal.

Unexpectedly, her husband left with someone else. He continued to drive his Range Rover, live in a big house and enjoy many of the things he had enjoyed prior to his business reversal. At this point, Leslie couldn't take it and had to do something. Her husband's creditors were beginning to stalk Leslie because she was an easier target.

When Leslie came to us she didn't know what to do. She was desperate. We answered all her questions, and put her at ease. The most important thing was the well being of her daughter. We went to work on her divorce and made sure she kept her time with her daughter, child support, plus maintenance (alimony) so she could continue with school. In addition, she was able to apply for a government grant with our help and she was ultimately released, as an innocent spouse, from any responsibility to the IRS.

Leslie didn't realize that child support is calculated by a **formula** and a worksheet approved by law, and that her husband could not deviate far from those guidelines. She didn't know she was qualified to receive maintenance to make sure she could survive and get herself back into the world. Leslie learned that the child could still see her father without Leslie worrying that she would lose the child or her right to decide matters for her child.

As Leslie's lawyer, I always look at the big picture to see what impact a divorce can have on the family. In this case, it was in the best interest of the child that the parents go their separate ways. Her husband's lawyer had no answers for his behavior.

WARNING!!!

IF YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING TO GET IN A DIVORCE EVENTUALLY AND YOU WANT CUSTODY OF YOUR CHILDREN...

Some judges might hold your move from your children's house against YOU!!! Be careful! Don't let a short-term goal interfere with what you really want. Make sure that even though you are moving out, your spouse understands that you are not giving up the right to property. Many spouses, out of guilt, give the other so much money that they have to move into a single room where they cannot bring the children to visit. Don't become one of them. Ask your attorney to protect you as vigorously as possible through a legally binding separation agreement.

Warning:

Don't let a temporary situation affect the outcome of your divorce settlement.

NO MIRACLES...JUST HARD WORK

Now, I did not work any special miracles on these cases. I just did my job as a lawyer. I did the hard work I was supposed to do that was necessary to help my clients.

I investigated their cases, hired the necessary expert witnesses, interviewed the witnesses, examined the records and documented and verified their claims. I knew the law, followed the proper procedures and held my ground for my clients.

With 20 years of experience in family law, I was able to analyze their situation, recommend the best course of action and obtain a just and fair divorce settlement for them.

The tragedy in all of this is that there are many people out there just like James and Leslie who never got a chance to fully understand their legal rights. Every year, hundreds if not thousands, of people just jump into getting divorced without fully understanding the legal process. That's why I've dedicated myself to fully informing and educating my clients as to what steps are necessary to protect their legal rights.

The Fact is There's A Lot More On the Line When It Comes To Getting Divorced Than You Think!!!

NOTICE: BY LAW I MUST INFORM YOU THAT:

PAST RESULTS ACHIEVED ARE NOT A GUARANTEE OF FUTURE RESULTS. EACH CASE IS UNIQUE AND REFERENCE MUST BE MADE TO THE SPECIFIC LEGAL AND FACTUAL CIRCUMSTANCES PRESENTED.

ARE YOU COUNTING ON YOUR SPOUSE TO TELL THE TRUTH?

The harsh reality is that your spouse will often try to force you into accepting a divorce settlement that is less than you truly deserve. The truth of the

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matter is that when it comes to getting divorced, it could end up very ugly if you don't protect your interest FIRST! Your spouse's attorney also knows this and he or she is in business to make sure his or her client gets the maximum amount of money, property and the children. So, it's important that you protect your interest as soon as possible.

Please don't let this come as a surprise to you, but there's a strong possibility that your spouse may already be planning a divorce.

HERE'S SOME TELL TALE SIGNS THAT A DIVORCE MAY BE IN THE CARDS FOR YOU:

1. Has your spouse been fishing around for information?
2. Has your spouse asked you a lot of questions regarding finances?
3. Has your spouse been acting kind of funny when he or she asks these questions?

Please, don't let this happen to you! Protect yourself by learning the legal differences between separation and divorce.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU GET DIVORCED!

If you want finality in your marital status, it is certainly preferable to be divorced. Alternatively, if you do not wish to be divorced, but want no legal obligations to your spouse, a judgment of separation would be preferable. We suggest that, to the extent possible, you investigate these alternatives in advance.

As always, stay involved with your children. With a major disruption imminent, your kids will need the reassurance of your extra attention. Fear of abandonment by one or both parents is the number-one reaction of children faced with divorcing parents. On the legal front, the more involved you are with your kids now, the more

chances you will have to stay involved-by court order, if necessary.

(Warning: these are general statements. There are many exceptions and you should consult an attorney concerning your particular divorce claim and the applicable statutes and any available exceptions.)

HOW TO INTERVIEW AND HIRE THE RIGHT LAWYER FOR YOU!

I want you to know that if you're seriously considering the option of divorce, then you need to know how to hire the right lawyer for you. Whatever you do, make sure NOT to hire a lawyer based on the notion of how that lawyer might relate to your spouse.

You might think it's important for the lawyer to be able to stand up to your spouse. The truth of the matter is, the lawyer might not ever speak to your spouse, only deal with his or her attorney. Thus, the way your lawyer gets along with your spouse's lawyer is the real sticking point. So, don't worry about your spouse's opinion of your lawyer because it really doesn't matter!

So, What Do You Really Need To Know Before You Hire A Divorce Lawyer?

- ✓ How many family law cases has this lawyer handled?
- ✓ How many of these cases involved custody issues? (Such as support, large financial settlements or whatever issues you feel suits your situation.)
- ✓ Where did this lawyer go to law school? (Make sure not to ask if the diploma is staring you right in the face.)
- ✓ Do you know my husband (or wife)?
- ✓ Do you know his or her attorney?
- ✓ Do you have the time to take on a new case right now?

(WARNING: CHANGES IN THE LAW CONCERNING DIVORCE AND FAMILY LAW OCCUR FREQUENTLY. YOU SHOULD CONSULT WITH AN ATTORNEY WITH RESPECT TO THESE CHANGES.)

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

THE MOST IMPORTANT SECRET YOU NEED TO KNOW IN ORDER TO AVOID BEING RIPPED OFF IN FAMILY COURT IS TO HIRE THE MOST COMPETENT, AGGRESSIVE, STRONG WILLED, AND SAVVY ATTORNEY YOU CAN FIND!

How will you know the lawyer you have is going to be the most competent, aggressive, strong willed, and savvy attorney you can find?

EXPOSED MYTHS ABOUT LAWYERS...

If you're seriously thinking of divorcing your spouse, you only get **one chance** to get the right settlement you deserve. One of the most important decisions you make in your lifetime will be the lawyer you choose to take on this task. That's why I'm going to expose some of these myths about lawyers.

That way, you can have a better chance at making the decision that's right for you. I know I may get some flack for this, but if I can help you with this critical information, then I will have achieved my goal.

MYTH #1 EVERY ATTORNEY HAS ABOUT THE SAME AMOUNT OF EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING.

The truth of the matter is that experience and training differ greatly from attorney to attorney. Some attorneys may have years and years of experience drafting wills or shuffling papers in real estate transactions. Some attorneys handle divorce cases part-time to 'fill in the gaps' of their main practice. Why would you want that lawyer representing you in your divorce case? If you're getting divorced, you don't want a real estate lawyer on your side!

The lawyer you hire for your divorce case should have a "proven" track record of being able to negotiate these matters properly and if the negotiation process fails, then they should be able to take your case to court. Only an

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experienced attorney can give you the peace of mind knowing you have given yourself the best chance of winning your case.

Please don't be bashful at asking these tough questions; "How many cases have you taken to court in family law? How well have you done? How many years of experience do you have as a trial lawyer in family law?" These are the kinds of questions you better ask any lawyer you see.

The legal profession is like any other profession when it comes to experience. Every professional needs experience. Why let someone gain experience on your dime? When you need help, make sure it is the best help available so you can get the most benefit from it. Let the inexperienced lawyer, or the lawyer who does "some" divorces, experiment with someone else's divorce case- NOT YOURS!

MYTH #2: IF A LAWYER IS ON TV, HE OR SHE MUST BE GOOD.

Just because a lawyer appears in TV commercials, this doesn't necessarily qualify them to handle divorce cases. Amazingly, some lawyers who advertise on TV don't even appear on the commercial themselves but hire paid "actors." Please don't be fooled by those slick-advertising gimmicks. If a lawyer doesn't have the right tools and experiences that you're looking for, then **don't hire him or her.**

If you do talk to a lawyer who advertises on TV, then ask him or her the very same questions you would any other lawyer. "How many family law cases have you taken to court? How many have had a successful result? How many years of experience as a family lawyer do you have?" If all a lawyer had to offer was a slick TV commercial, do you want to trust one of the most important decisions of your life to that kind of lawyer?

MYTH #3: ALL LAWYERS ARE SKILLED IN THE ART OF NEGOTIATING:

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What you really want to do is avoid going to trial at all cost, if possible. First of all, it'll **cost** you a lot more and secondly, it will draw out the process making it **last longer** than it should. Next, what you want to know is how many divorce cases actually went to trial? The truth is attorneys who have gone to trial way too many times might not be good negotiators. (So, make sure to keep that in mind, especially when the lawyer hasn't been in practice that long.)

The truth of the matter is you want to settle these types of cases out of court because if it does happen to end up in trial, you're going to need expert witnesses, which cost money. If you don't have a lawyer who knows the fine "art" of negotiation, your legal bills could be enormous.

MYTH#4: ALL LAWYERS ARE PERSONALLY INVOLVED IN THE CASES THEY HANDLE.

Unfortunately, this is not true. Some lawyers have so many cases, they hardly ever look at the file and they hardly talk to their clients! Just try to get one of those busy lawyers to return your phone call, let alone a quick call from his paralegal. These law firms are what we refer to in the industry as "mills," "factories" or "assembly lines." These lawyers hire paralegals to do most of the work the attorney should be doing.

The bottom line is **no matter how big or small your divorce case, it's important to you!** You need to have a lawyer on your side that is 100% committed to providing quality service and detailed attention to all of his or her clients. You need to know that your lawyer is personally involved in the preparation, evaluation and resolution of your case: A lawyer who will treat your case with the utmost importance it truly deserves.

MYTH#5: JUST BECAUSE A LAWYER SAYS HE OR SHE GOES TO TRIAL DOESN'T MEAN HE GOES IN FRONT OF FAMILY COURT JUDGES.

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No, in fact just because an attorney says he or she is a trial attorney, doesn't mean he or she knows how to present cases in family court. I hate to admit it, but inexperienced lawyers hurt their clients all the time. They don't file the correct paperwork. They miss critical deadlines. They don't know how to research their client's case. Even worse, many lawyers have never taken a family law case to trial and so they don't know what their client's case is worth.

HERE'S WHAT I CAN OFFER YOU...

If this Special Report makes sense to you in any way, then you probably have a few questions, since you may be uncertain about what to do next. **So, I'm offering a 30-minute consultation to review your case. Please call me while this report is still fresh in your mind. I will set aside a full half hour to meet with you!** This consultation will allow you to protect your legal rights and maximize your settlement. You'll be able to get all of your questions answered and go forward with confidence and peace of mind.

Here's How It Works:

First, I'll review the facts of your case with you, ask you questions and review your options with you. Then, when I have a clear understanding of what has happened, I'll give you my opinion about your case, including your chances of winning and any problems I may see. Since every case is different, I'll tell you what I think is the best option for you under your specific circumstances.

I will also explain your legal rights and your obligations. I'll tell you what papers need to be filed and what reports need to be made. I'll also explain the entire divorce process to you, so you'll know exactly what happens from start to finish.

If the facts are in dispute, I'll tell you what can be done to prove your side. I'll also tell you how to protect yourself from damaging your case before your

divorce is finalized. Divorces can be tricky if you don't know what you can and can't do.

Some lawyers may miss little things that can make a big difference to you. The biggest divorce settlements often go to those who avoid pitfalls during the divorce process by doing the little things right.

I will also answer all of your questions and concerns. This way, you will understand exactly where you stand with your case.

As a result of this divorce consultation, you'll know what to expect in the weeks and months to come. No stone will be left unturned. You will have the information you need to be able to make an informed choice about your divorce. You'll leave my office more knowledgeable and more confident about the future, which will give you peace of mind during this difficult time in your life. Remember, my staff and I are here to help support you during this difficult process.

Of course, I'll also discuss my services with you. I'll tell you what I can do for you, should you decide to hire me and explain how the fees and costs work. I am willing to answer any questions you may have about my background and legal experience, including the number of cases I've taken to court.

As part of the consultation, I will also give you an **ADDED BONUS!** I will explain how you can **reduce** your fees and costs by thousands of dollars, **save** the value of the marital estate and never see the inside of a courtroom! If you and your spouse are willing to do some hard work, your divorce can be far less painful and completed in a short amount of time.

The value of this Personal Consultation exceeds \$100.00. This consultation can save or make you thousands of dollars in a higher settlement, cause fewer problems and less aggravation. Make sure to call to schedule a HALF HOUR consultation while you are thinking of it.

There will be no one to pressure you. I treat everyone with the same respect and courtesy I expect in return. **You will get a confidential audit and the opportunity to learn your rights, remedies and options available to you.** I will tell you the pros and cons of the options available to you. It's my sincere hope that during this interview, I can help you find a way to put you at ease and help you feel better about your decision.

WHAT'S MY GUARANTEE TO YOU?

I will invest my time, my resources and abilities into your case. **This is my guarantee of commitment to you.** I'll do everything I can to help bring your divorce settlement to a close as fast as possible so you can move on with your life again. Since divorce cases are so emotionally draining, I want you to understand that I know what you're going through. That way, you can start sleeping better at night again.

Our law offices are conveniently located and handicapped accessible. What this means to you is you don't have to inconvenience yourself by fighting downtown traffic or paying for parking and you can get your case started immediately.

THE WORST THING YOU CAN DO IS WHAT TOO MANY PEOPLE DO - DELAY AND DO NOTHING

Way too many people have told me they wished they had acted sooner before important witnesses moved and could no longer be found, before their spouse removed vital evidence that proved fatal to their case. I have encountered many people who decided to stay married because of one reason or another. However, to find themselves years later wishing they would have moved on with their lives. It's unfortunate but TRUE!!

Please don't let this happen to you. If you're in a situation where you don't know what to do and you can't seem to figure things out, then that's more of a reason to call my office. I understand that you have a lot of questions and

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concerns on your mind because this is a life changing decision. However, not doing anything at all won't change your situation.

**TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF MY NO RISK, NO HASSLE OFFER;
JUST CALL MY OFFICE AT **303-322-0038** FOR YOUR
APPOINTMENT**

When you call my office with this number, I will personally arrange your one-on-one consultation with me for one full half hour to discuss your situation. You will not have to discuss your matter with anyone else.

I will be happy to answer your questions, give you the benefit of an objective analysis and then, it's up to you to decide what you want to do. Even after that, you are under no obligation to use me as your divorce attorney! I hope I have made this as easy as possible for you.

Thanks again for ordering this Special Report; I look forward to hearing from you!

Yours truly,

Gary D. Nicholas, Esq.

Dedicated to protecting your rights!!!

P.S. Remember, I'm here to help you in anyway I can. I've dedicated myself to serving each and every client by offering him or her the information they need to make one of the hardest decisions of their life. Because the truth of the matter is getting divorced is a life changing decision that should be made with all the facts presented.

P.S.S. The only reason why I'm in practice is to help people like you.

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