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INTRODUCTION

Thank you for downloading our special report: about Family Law Discovery, with information that will help you protect your assets and secure your future. For more insider divorce tips, please download our other special reports about Dirty Divorce Tricks, How to Plan and Prepare for Divorce, and Divorce after 50. We understand that you have a lot of questions and concerns about your divorce and we want to help you feel as comfortable with the process as we can. If you would like to speak to one of our highly skilled Law Office of Bryan Fagan, PLLC attorneys, we encourage you to contact us to schedule a free confidential consultation. We're here for you, always. Sincerely, Bryan Fagan, Law Office of Bryan Fagan

DISCOVERY IN TEXAS FAMILY LAW CASES

SEEK EXPERIENCED LEGAL COUNSEL WITH OUR HOUSTON ATTORNEY

If you or your spouse file for divorce or have a dispute about child support or alimony, the final order by the court is determined by the financial information available. If some information is left off or not made known, parties are not able to renegotiate the settlement or request a new trial. To ensure you and your spouse are being truthful about their finances, discovery is a stage of the divorce process where facts related to income are collected to help the parties create a divorce agreement.

At the Law Office of Bryan Fagan, PLLC, we have a thorough understanding of the discovery process in family law cases. Our Houston family law attorney can guide you through the intricacies of the discovery proceedings to ensure that your spouse isn't hiding assets and all financial information is accounted for to help the court make a final decision.

HOW DISCOVERY APPLIES TO FAMILY LAW CASES

The purpose of discovery is to obtain information relating to each spouse's income, assets, and debts. If you are interested in obtaining child support, the amount of support depends on how much both parents earn. Discovery can also apply to determine spousal support and factors into how property is divided in equitable distribution.

Cooperation from each spouse is required. However, if your spouse fails to respond to discovery requests, you or your lawyer can file a motion with the court to enforce the request or face being held in contempt of court. Additionally, you can allow third parties to gain access to your spouse's financial information.

If you believe your spouse is hiding assets, you can hire a forensic accountant to evaluate the documentation you've collected. These professionals possess the experience and knowledge to identify any indications of concealment attempts by your spouse.

READY TO START THE DISCOVERY PROCESS TODAY

Discovery is a valuable tool in building your family law case. The more information you obtain, the better you can prove your argument for child custody, child support, spousal maintenance, and property division. In order to follow the requirements of the procedure and meet the specific deadlines, our Houston family law attorney can help you in each step of the process.

HOUSTON CHILD CUSTODY ATTORNEY

Your children are the most important people in your life. If you are currently facing a child custody battle, it may benefit you to contact the educated and experienced team at the Law Office of Bryan Fagan, PLLC. Whether your case must be handled through the use of litigation or can be resolved amicably with the use of mediation, you can count on the firm's Houston child custody lawyers to assist you.



Our child custody lawyer in Houston, TX recognizes that no two individuals are going through the same situation and the team ensures that every client is provided with a high level of personalized attention, compassion, and respect. Additionally, the team works to come up with custom solutions, tailored to fit the unique needs and goals of each client.

HOW DO YOU GET A CONSERVATORSHIP IN TEXAS?

Texas uses the term “conservatorship” while most states simply use “custody”. As a result, the parent that has custody of the child is known as the “conservator”. A few terms that stem from this are:

TYPES OF CHILD CUSTODY IN TEXAS

Child custody can be arranged in several different ways. Both parents can have equal custody of the children post-divorce, or one parent may have majority or sole custody. Normally, the court arranges this after evaluating the parents and their relationship with their children. Also, the court will need to evaluate whether or not parents could work together in a joint custody relationship.

- ☑ Joint Custody: When both parents have some degree of custody over the children
- ☑ Sole Custody: When one parent has primary ffcustody over the child
- ☑ Legal Custody: Designated for the parent who makes decisions education, medical care, religion, etc.
- ☑ Physical Custody: Designated for the parent that owns the residence where the child lives

The courts can award joint legal or physical custody and may require ex-spouses to split their time with the child equally or in a percentage that is most convenient.

HOW DO I PROVE MY CHILD'S BEST INTEREST?

If the court is responsible for determining child custody in your case, then they will decide the matter in what they conclude to be the best interests of the child.

In order to act in the best interests of the child, the court evaluates:

- ☑ The child's relationship with both parents
- ☑ The parents' willingness to allow the child to have a relationship with the other parent
- ☑ The parents' location
- ☑ The parents' history with alcohol, drugs or smoking
- ☑ The parents' ability to work together
- ☑ The health, age, employment and well-being of both parents
- ☑ Child Custody Basics for Texas Parents Revisited
- ☑ High Conflict Child Custody Cases in Texas
- ☑ 11 Things You Must Know About Texas Child Custody

WHY MEDIATION BENEFITS BOTH PARTIES

The courts in Texas encourage spouses to work through child custody plans together using a mediator. At the Law Office of Bryan Fagan, PLLC, the firm can provide you with a trustworthy and helpful mediator. In mediation, you and your spouse will sit down and calmly work out a custody plan that works best for both of you and one that helps the children. The judge normally adopts the parents' plan unless it is not in the best interests of the child. This can help keep your children out of court and maintain a calm atmosphere in the home.

Regardless of how complicated matters may seem, the team does everything in their power to help clients reach favorable results. Clients always work directly with our Houston child custody attorneys, and the team always strives to go above and beyond what is expected of them.

For more information about child custody including custody modifications, or to schedule your free case evaluation, be sure to contact the firm!





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WE'RE HERE FOR YOU

When it comes to your financial future, your peace of mind matters. No matter where you are in the divorce process, we are always available to help you protect your assets and safeguard your future. As a Texas law firm exclusively devoted to divorce and family law, our experienced divorce attorneys will explain your options and support you throughout the process. Please contact us at (281) 810-9760 if you would like to schedule a free confidential consultation

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