

The following is a list of documents Dishon & Block will want to review in connection with your divorce. Depending on the issues involved you will want to produce documents going back approximately a year prior to the date on which you separated from your spouse through the present time (unless otherwise indicated below)

There are certain situations that may require you gather documents going farther back, in which case your attorney will advise you accordingly.

Do your best to gather these items and organize them into separate folders for each category. Getting these documents together early on in the divorce process will help speed-up the divorce process as well as preserve critical evidence that will be needed to resolve your case.

Document Checklist

- _____ Individual income tax returns for past three to five years (federal, state, and local)
- _____ Business income tax returns for past three to five years (federal, state, and local)
- _____ Proof of your current income (W-2 forms, 1099 forms, K-1 forms, 3 most recent pay-stubs)
- _____ Proof of spouse's current income (W-2 forms, 1099 forms, K-1 forms, 3 most recent pay-stubs)
- _____ Prenuptial agreement or post-marital agreements, if any
- _____ Divorce decrees and court orders from previous marriages
- _____ Checking, Savings, Money Markets, CD's, Brokerage, and any other type of account statements
- _____ Pension plan and 401K statements
- _____ Retirement account statements

- _____ Wills, trusts, living wills, powers of attorney, durable powers of attorney
- _____ Stock portfolios, LLC's, any other investments
- _____ Stock options: grant documents, vesting schedules, account statements.
- _____ Mortgage statements for all properties
- _____ Property tax statements
- _____ Credit card statements
- _____ Loan documents and loan applications including consumer loan applications such as for a car loan
- _____ Utility bills
- _____ Other bills (e.g., school tuition, unreimbursed medical bills, etc.)
- _____ Employment contracts
- _____ Life insurance policies
- _____ Health insurance policies
- _____ Homeowner's insurance policies
- _____ Automobile insurance policies
- _____ Personal property appraisals
- _____ Real property deeds for each property you or your spouse own, or any properties owned by any entity that you have an interest in
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- _____ List of personal property, including home furnishings, jewelry, artwork, computers, home office equipment, clothing and furs, etc. If there are particularly valuable or unique items you will want to photograph them and inventory them and perhaps obtain an appraisal.
- _____ List of real property and assets owned by each spouse prior to marriage
- _____ List of contents of safety deposit boxes
- _____ Copies of any other personal debts or notes signed to anyone, including family members
- _____ Photographs of family, children, furniture, your home, or valuable collections to the extent that you feel these photos will help you "tell your story"
- _____ Other: _____
