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Legal Notes

Selecting an Indiana Divorce Attorney

Selecting a lawyer can be difficult; especially a divorce lawyer. You want your Indiana Divorce to go smoothly but you don't want to lose everything you have put together in your marriage either. Whether you are the husband or the wife, you have both put into the marriage and you both, by law, have the right to an equitable distribution.

Primarily, this distribution is what concerns people going through an Indiana divorce as well as divorce in general. The other major concern is child custody and support but we will discuss that in a later article. Therefore, focusing on the financial side of divorce in Indiana, my goal is to show you how to select an Indiana divorce lawyer that will represent you to the fullest extent possible.

Here are a few issues to discuss with any potential Indiana Lawyer:

1. If you have business interests, pensions, retirement, etc., does the attorney have education or experience in business that will help them understand the intricacies of such a divorce?
2. See how well they attorney listens to you rather than how much they talk to convince you of their knowledge.
3. Is the attorney companionate to your needs and wishes? All licensed attorneys are expected to be competent when it comes to the law but does the attorney you are speaking with relate to your situation. This passion will go a long way in ensuring a fair outcome.
4. What does the attorney charge for a divorce in Indiana? There are several ways to bill for an Indiana divorce. A good sign is that they do not charge for the first in person consultation. You do not want to sign on with an Indiana Attorney that is trying to make a buck where ever he or she can. Rather, you want to find an attorney that is confident that they will earn your business and develop a professional relationship.
5. If the Indiana attorney tells you your case is "straight forward" or "simple", ask about a flat fee for your Indiana divorce. If it truly is a simple matter they may be willing to reduce the risk to you by capping the fees to limit your risk. This is especially true if you can pay the lump sum up front and do not need to make payments.
6. Ask about payment plans. An Indiana divorce, like any other, can be expensive so make sure the Indiana divorce attorney you choose will work to make the financial aspect of handling the Indiana divorce is amicable to both parties. The last thing you need is to add to the stress you are already going through by worrying about paying your Indiana attorney.

These are a few topics of discussion you might broach when selecting an Indiana divorce attorney. By following these speaking points the conversation will blossom and you will know right away whether the Indiana attorney you are speaking with is right for you.

The Law Office of Mark F. Nichols handles Indiana Divorce as well as other Domestic Relations and other Family Law issues. Call 317-641-9916 Today for Your Free Consultation!