



Divorce in Maine

The State of Maine is a “no fault divorce” state. This means that you do not have to prove anything before you can get divorced. The process of getting divorced can be fairly straightforward and can be done without hiring an attorney. But, if you own property with your spouse, if you and your spouse do not agree about how things should be split up, if you have been married for a long time, or if your spouse’s income is a lot more than yours, it can get complicated. An attorney will make sure that your interests are protected and that you get your fair share of the money and property.

If you are thinking about getting a divorce and no minor children are involved, visit the State of Maine Judicial Branch's website to see a step-by-step guide on the process. The steps can be fairly simple, but if any of it seems confusing or worries you, you should call an attorney. It might not be as expensive as you think to have an attorney help you with a divorce.

Resources

Legal Services for Maine Elders

If you are a Maine resident who is 60 or older, call the Legal Services for Maine Elders Helpline at 1-800-750-5353 and you may be able to talk to an attorney for free and get a referral.

State of Maine Judicial Branch

For more information on obtaining a divorce in Maine, [visit the State’s website by clicking here.](#)

The State of Maine Judicial Branch also offers a [step-by-step guide on how to get a divorce in Maine.](#)

Maine Volunteer Lawyers Project (VLP)

If you cannot afford an attorney, a volunteer may be able to help you fill out court forms, learn about "service" of forms, calculate child support, and answer some of your questions. [Find the nearest Courthouse Assistance Project by clicking here.](#)

The Maine Volunteer Lawyers Project might be able to help you with your divorce. For more information about VLP, [visit their website by clicking here.](#) If your issue is in Aroostook, Hancock, Penobscot, Piscataquis, Somerset, Waldo, and Washington counties, you can also contact VLP by leaving a message for the Bangor Office at 1-207-573-1172. If your issue is in any other Maine county, you can call the Portland Office at 1-207-544-4886 on Monday from 1:00 to 3:30 and Friday from 9:00 to 11:30.