

Forms and Packets

The use of mandatory forms is required in family law actions. Forms can be purchased at the Clerk's Office individually or in packets with instructions. We accept cash, debit and credit cards.

- Cost of packets
\$5 to \$40

Available forms, packets and other helpful information is online @:

www.co.thurston.wa.us/clerk



COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Family & Juvenile Center
709-3260

Safespace
786-8754

Safespace Crisis Line
754-5759

- ◇ Child Protective Services - 902-7920
- ◇ Columbia Legal Services - 943-6260
- ◇ Crisis Clinic & Referral - 586-2800
- ◇ Dispute Resolution Center - 956-1155
- ◇ Division of Child Support - 664-6900
- ◇ Domestic Violence - 709-3268
- ◇ Emergency Child Care - 888-CARE
- ◇ Legal Volunteer Clinic - 705-8194
- ◇ NW Justice Project - 888-201-1014
- ◇ Parenting Seminar - 754-7629 or 877-813-2828/www.familyess.org
- ◇ Salvation Army - 352-8596
- ◇ Sheriff - 786-5500
- ◇ Vital Records - 236-4300

Thurston County Clerk's Office

Family and Juvenile Court
2801 32nd Avenue SW
Tumwater, WA
98512

Phone: 360-709-3269 or 709-3274

Thurston County Family Court Facilitator Program

Guiding Self Represented
Parties Through the Family
Court Process

Linda Myhre Enlow
Thurston County Clerk





FAQ's

Q. How can I get my parenting plan adopted or my child support ordered before my final hearing?

File a Motion for Temporary Order and schedule a hearing.

Q. How long before I can finalize my divorce?

After 90 days from filing the joinder (or from the date of service, whichever is later), upon agreement, default or trial.

Q. What is a default?

If the other party does not file a response and the time to respond has passed, then the other party may be found in default.

Q. What if we don't agree?

Schedule a settlement conference with the court (after a response has been filed).

All forms available online @
www.co.thurston.wa.us/fjc

COMMON SERVICES PROVIDED FOR SELF-REPRESENTED PARTIES

* Review paperwork for completeness

* Assist you with timelines and completing forms

* Answer questions about court protocol and procedures

* Help you schedule a hearing

* Refer you to community resources

* Help with your child support calculation

* Review final orders as required by local court rule

* Provide valuable information at an orientation program

Emergencies or Agreed Orders

If immediate and permanent injury, loss or damages will happen if an order is not entered immediately, you can ask the court to enter it 'ex parte'. The court will want the other party or their attorney notified of the hearing. Certain agreed orders may also be signed at an ex parte hearing.

Ex Parte Hearing

The Court requires you to meet with the Facilitator prior to the hearing for paperwork to be reviewed. Come early to ensure your case will be heard that day.

All information available online:
www.co.thurston.wa.us/clerk

If you are self-represented and need Facilitator help...

To schedule an appointment:

360-709-3269 or 360-709-3274
(Please, no phone assistance.)

Thurston County Clerk's Office
2801 32nd Avenue SW, Tumwater

Be prepared for your appointment:

- * \$25 fee per appointment
- * \$30 fee for ex parte services
- * Bring completed paperwork
- * Notes to help you remember
- * Money for filing fees
- * Cash for copies
- * Please - do not bring children to your appointment